

DIRECTIONS AS TO THE METHODS TO BE ADOPTED IN PROCURING SPECIMENS FOR EXAMINATION,—Continued.

Nature of Examination.	Preparation of Material for Examination.	Remarks.
Influenza.	Only <i>absolutely</i> fresh sputum may be sent, and this in sterilised water in a test-tube.	No antiseptic to be added.
Pneumonia.	Absolutely fresh sputum. <i>Vide</i> Influenza.	No antiseptic to be added.
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis.	Cerebro-spinal fluid, obtained by lumbar puncture to be preserved in a sterile test-tube.	No antiseptic to be added.
Empyema Pus. [T.B., Influenza, Pneumococci or Streptococci, etc.].	The skin must be thoroughly disinfected and the aspirating syringe sterilised. Preserve the fluid in a sterile test-tube.	If possible a specimen of absolutely fresh sputum ought to accompany the pus.
Blood.	When such an examination is required the Bacteriologist is to be informed, so that he may take the necessary steps to have a suitable quantity of Blood taken for examination.	.....
Pus from other sources.	Follow instructions given under "Empyema Pus."	.....
Waters, Milks, Foods, Soils and Air, etc., etc.	Follow instructions given under "Blood."	.....

SCALE OF FEES.

Bacteriological Examination of Waters, .....	\$20.00
"                    "          " Air, .....	20.00
"                    "          " Milks, .....	20.00
"                    "          " Foods, .....	20.00
"                    "          " Soils, .....	20.00
"                    "          " Blood, .....	\$10.00—15.00
Bacteriological Diagnosis of Tetanus, .....	10.00
"                    "          " Typhoid Fever, .....	10.00
"                    "          " Diphtheria, .....	5.00
"                    "          " Influenza, .....	5.00
"                    "          " Meningitis, .....	5.00
"                    "          " Pus, .....	5.00
"                    "          " Pneumonia, .....	3.00
"                    "          " Gonorrhœa, .....	2.50

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.— No. 645

Government Notification No. 630 of the 15th October, 1902, is hereby amended by adding the following rule, to be numbered rule 3, namely:—

3. From and after the 1st January, 1903, no Bill of Health can be used unless it bears an Impressed Stamp of Six Dollars.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th October, 1902.