

There is a valuable historical summary of the appearance of malaria on the island in 1866 and of the fatal epidemics following this. In 1867 the malaria death rate was 90 per thousand. In Port Louis, with a population of 87,000, there died in the month of April alone 6,224, and on one day 234.

The Government are apparently anxious to undertake the work of prevention of the disease along the lines laid down by Ross, and, though it is a much more extensive undertaking than that at Ismailia, Port Swettenham and elsewhere, there is every reason to expect that the results will be quite as satisfactory. The measures recommended by Ross may be thus summarized: (1) a periodical spleen census of children in schools and on estates; (2) treatment of those found with enlarged spleens; (3) a certain amount of quinine distribution; (4) house protection from mosquitoes; (5) mosquito reduction by various minor and major works of drainage of pools, keeping ponds and edges of streams clear of weeds, canalizing streams, draining marshes, etc.; (6) suitable organization and an annual report.

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