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THE Selangor Medical Report for 1895 confirms the impression that the prevalence or otherwise of beri-beri is largely influenced by mining, more especially in the case of newly opened districts. At Puteh jail, an outbreak of the disease was traced to the inhalation of specific poison generated in the soil. Change and fresh air have been found to be highly beneficial in the treatment of the malady. The Governor has hence sanctioned the establishment of a hospital at Port Dickson, Sungei Ujong, to be supported jointly by the Negri Sembilan and Selangor Governments. This hospital will probably be completed early in 1896, and will accommodate 100 patients. Should the results of treatment in this hospital be successful, quite a new era in the treatment of beri-beri in the Native States will be originated, and seaside hospitals will, in all probability, be organised on a large scale.

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