

letters in vinegar, and putting them into the fumigating box, being always first observed; and such letters shall remain in the fumigating box until such time as the Superintendent shall give directions for taking them out to be forwarded, and no person, except the said Superintendent of Quarantine, or his Assistant, or one of the guardians on board the vessel, shall be permitted to deliver such letters from such fumigating box; and the said persons so hereby authorized to deliver the same shall take care, where several letters or papers are inclosed together, to slit open the covers in manner practised in the lazarets of the Mediterranean. And all letters to such persons so under quarantine shall be delivered to the Superintendent or his Assistant, and shall be distributed by him, or according to his directions; and no communication or conference shall be had by persons not under quarantine, with persons so under quarantine, except by permission, or in the presence of the Superintendent or his Assistant, and under such regulations and restrictions as shall be directed by the said Superintendent.

Provided always that the medical attendant and Superintendent, or his Assistant, or any other person duly authorised by an Order in Council, may go on board any vessel under quarantine without such medical attendant or Superintendent, or his Assistant, being in any way subject to the restraint of quarantine.

XVII. And it is hereby further ordered, that a night watch shall be regularly kept, and a sufficient number of guard boats and Officers shall be appointed, for the purpose of preventing all clandestine communications with persons under quarantine; and all the boats belonging to vessels under quarantine, either at Standgate Creek, Milford Haven, or at the other out-ports, shall be taken from them, and no use made of such boats, except for the purpose of carrying goods to the lazaret, or, upon occasions of necessity, such necessity to be determined by the Superintendent of Quarantine, and such boats shall not be delivered up to the Commanders or Masters of such vessels, until the expiration of the quarantine to be respectively performed by them.

XVIII. And it is hereby further ordered, that the Superintendent of Quarantine, or his Assistant, or some other proper person appointed by the Superintendent, shall, as often as required, afford assistance and provide necessaries for the persons under quarantine, taking care to allow of no improper communication with the persons employed for that purpose; which persons shall always place their boats to windward, and shall deliver, by means of buckets, the articles supplied by them.

XIX. And it is hereby further ordered, that the quarantine guardians who shall be placed on board vessels, shall be instructed to take especial care that nothing whatever be delivered from on board such vessels when under quarantine, without an order, in writing, from the Superintendent, or his Assistant, every such order to be entered in a book by one of the said guardians, and the original to be delivered back to the Superintendent, or his Assistant; and nothing, however little susceptible it may be thought to be of infection, shall be conveyed from one vessel under quarantine to another, nor any personal intercourse be permitted from any

such vessel to another; and one of the quarantine guardians, when thereto required by the Superintendent of Quarantine, or his Assistant, shall accompany the lighters and boats which shall be employed in passing to or from the vessel on board of which such guardians are placed, during the passage of such lighters and boats to and from such vessel, in order to prevent any communication in the transit of the cargo from the vessels to any floating lazaret, and shall take care, after every removal of goods, that no remnants of cotton, or of any other enumerated article, remain in the lighters or the boats, but shall, before leaving off work, collect and deliver such remnants into the lazaret with the last package which they shall then carry from the said vessel.

XX. And it is hereby further ordered, that the said guardians shall take care that, after the discharge of the cargoes into the lazaret, the holds and between decks of the vessels shall be completely swept, and the sweepings burnt.

XXI. And it is hereby further ordered, that the said guardians shall diligently search the lockers, chests, and other repositories of the Officers, passengers, and crews, and every part of the vessels, so that no article so enumerated, nor any matter or thing considered as susceptible of infection, remain undelivered to the lazaret, unless what shall be declared by the said Superintendent or medical attendant to be requisite for daily use, and shall see that all the said chests, lockers, and other repositories, and all the clothes and bedding in the vessel be daily opened and aired, in such manner as shall be directed by the Superintendent of Quarantine.

XXII. And it is hereby further ordered, that one of the said guardians shall make a daily report to the Superintendent of Quarantine, or his Assistant, and to the medical attendant, of the state of health of every person on board, and whether the regulations of quarantine have been properly complied with; and in case any impediment shall occur in the execution of the duties required of the said guardians, they shall give notice immediately to the Commander, Master, or other person having charge of the vessel in the first instance, and if thereupon such impediment be not instantly removed, they shall then give notice thereof to the Superintendent of Quarantine, or his Assistant, who shall take care to use effectual means for the removal of the same.

XXIII. And it is hereby further ordered, that if any person on board shall fall sick, and any medical person shall be on board the vessel, such medical person shall confer with the medical attendant alongside the vessel, the medical attendant keeping to windward, at a distance of not less than ten feet; and in case there shall be no medical person on board, and it shall be necessary for the medical attendant to inspect the sick, the visit shall be made at the ship's boat by the medical attendant in his own boat, keeping to windward at the like distance of not less than ten feet; and if any patient, after being examined in the manner before-mentioned, shall be found to require such medical or surgical aid as cannot properly be administered except in the hospital ship, he shall be removed to such hospital ship.

XXIV. And it is hereby further ordered, that