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THE Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from Her Majesty's Consul-General at Christiania the Decree, of which the following is a translation, which has been issued by the Norwegian Government:—

Under date of the 16th instant the following Proclamation respecting Quarantine for Cholera has been promulgated:

WE, CHARLES, &c., &c., maketh known: Pursuant to the Sec. 14 of the Quarantine Law of the 12th July, 1848. The following Quarantine Regulations, with respect to the malignant (Asiatic) cholera, were enacted.

SEC. I.

A ship arriving in this country from abroad shall hoist the quarantine flag:

- a. If she comes from a foreign cholera infected harbour, or has had intercourse with an infected port or ship with sick on board.
- b. If any sick on board, and that sickness is likely to spread or become cholera.
- c. If during the voyage, or on arrival, there has, or is on board, any dead, or sick, apparently from, or likely to become cholera: or
- d. If there is on board clothing or bedding which may have been used by those suffering from cholera, or died from the same.

In all these cases intercourse with land is prohibited, until the ship has been inspected according to the quarantine regulations.

Such foreign places are considered as infected by cholera where it has become known from trustworthy authority that this malignant (Asiatic) cholera has broken out, even if no official report regarding it has been announced.

SEC. II.

On arriving at a Norwegian port, where no quarantine commission has been established, the passengers and crew of any vessel on board of which any of the above cited cases have occurred, must be examined by the Custom-house Officer, or, if necessary, by the Pilot Master.

Should any of the cases cited in Sec. I, *b, c, or d*, be found then to exist, a report must be made without delay to the nearest Quarantine Commission, who will direct such further steps as may be necessary, where this cannot be done, the quaran-

time flag must be struck, and the vessel directed to proceed to the nearest port where a Quarantine Commission has been established.

When on arrival the quarantine flag must again be hoisted.

SEC. III.

On arrival in a Norwegian port where a Quarantine Commission resides, the ship, in any of the cases specified in Sec. I, with the crew and passengers on board, must submit as soon as possible to the inspection of the Commission, and, as far as practicable, by any medical member or other doctor deputed by the Commission.

SEC. IV.

If any cholera patient or suspected case is found on board, such a patient is to be effectually isolated, either on shore, if the Quarantine Commission can find for that purpose a proper isolated locality, or on board in such a manner as the Commission may direct. If any is found dead on board from cholera, the body must be buried in such a manner as the Quarantine Commission directs, with a view to prevent the spreading of the disease.

Clothing found on board that has been used by a cholera patient, or one that has died therefrom, must, together with the room in which they have been preserved, be purified in a manner the Quarantine Commission may direct.

SEC. V.

Should any cholera case have occurred on board, the Quarantine Commission can determine that the vessel, with all persons on board, should be isolated for a period of five days after the purification referred to Sec. VI has taken place.

Should such isolation not be ordered, healthy passengers, on board regular passenger going steamers, have permission to leave the vessel as soon as the inspection is finished; on the other hand, the crew, as well as those on board other ships, can only leave after the purifying has taken place.

SEC. VI.

When those who have died of cholera, or suspected of being infected, have been taken from the ship, or where such patient remains on board, after his recovery, the clothes that he has used, the room, and other objects, must be purified (see Secs. 54 and 55 of the Quarantine Regulations of the 10th February, 1849).