

(H. 1245.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, February 13, 1879.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Vienna enclosing translations of Orders issued by the Austrian Government respecting the precautions to be taken in order to prevent the introduction of disease from Russia. The Orders are as follows:—

ORDER of the Ministries of the Interior, of Finance, and of Commerce, dated February 1st, 1879, respecting the prohibition of import and transit of articles of various kinds from Russia, occasioned by the epidemic raging in the Government of Astrachan.

For the prevention of the introduction of contagious diseases from Russia, it is ordered, in conjunction with the Royal Hungarian Government:—

1. The importation and transit of the following articles from Russia over the frontiers of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy is prohibited: worn body-linen and bed-linen, worn clothes, rags of all kinds, waste paper, peltry, furs, skins, hides, half-dressed and soft-dressed goat's and sheep's leather, bladders, intestines either fresh or dried, salted intestines (catgut), felt, hair (including the so-called "zackelwolle,") bristles, feathers, caviar, fish, and sarepta balsam.

2. The prohibition contained in paragraph 1 does not apply to linen, clothes, and other baggage which travellers carry with them for their use. In what circumstances and in what manner such articles are to be submitted to disinfection remains the subject of especial dispositions.

3. The importation and transit of wool from Russia is only permitted after previous disinfection: in the case of wool which has undergone factory-washing the disinfection of the package will suffice.

The disinfection of wool which has not undergone factory-washing will take place in closed rooms by means of sulphurous acid.

4. The prohibition of import and transit of bed-feathers, remitted by order of the Ministries of the Interior, of Finance, and of Commerce, of June 7th, 1878, is so far altered, that the importation and transit of bed-feathers from the German Empire is again permitted.

5. The costs of disinfection are to be borne by the parties.

The present Order comes into force on the day of its promulgation.

(Signed) AUERSPERG.
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ORDER of the Ministry of the Interior, dated February 2nd, 1879, respecting the conditions upon which travellers from Russia and their effects will be permitted to cross the frontiers of the Monarchy.

Travellers coming from Russia will only be permitted to cross the frontiers of the Monarchy if their passports bear a declaration from the Imperial Russian authorities that the persons in question have not, within twenty days before the date of this declaration, resided in the Government of Astrachan, or in other Russian Governments in which there prevails the epidemic which has broken out in several villages of the first-named Government: and provided that, with reference to the period elapsed since the official

declaration, the consideration does not exist that the traveller may nevertheless in the interval have stayed in one of those Governments. In the case of travellers who arrive by ship from Russian ports, the period spent at sea is to be considered as equivalent to a period spent upon unsuspected territory. The effects of travellers coming from suspected Governments are to undergo a disinfection at their entry within the frontiers of the Monarchy.

This Order comes into operation eight days after its promulgation.

(Signed) AUERSPERG.

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THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs copies of Telegrams from Her Majesty's Minister at Athens, stating that, in consequence of a reported case of plague near Xantho, in Thrace, and a suspected case of the same disease at Yenkovia, in Macedonia, the Greek Government has instituted a quarantine of 21 days against all vessels arriving from the Black Sea, the Sea of Azov, Turkey in Europe, Turkey in Asia, and Syria.

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THE Board of Trade have received a Despatch from Her Majesty's Vice-Consul at Dunkirk reporting that at that port vessels arriving from the Black Sea and Sea of Azov have to undergo a quarantine of observation of five days.

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Whitehall Gardens, February 13, 1879.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Rome, reporting that a quarantine of 20 days will be imposed in Italy upon vessels arriving from the Turkish Empire, including Egypt, Tripoli, and Tunis, or from Greece or Montenegro.

Admiralty, 11th February, 1879.

Staff Surgeon Edward Brereton Broster has been promoted to the rank of Fleet Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 24th January, 1879.

Assistant-Paymaster Gervase Frederick Mathew has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 9th instant.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Paymaster Herbert Horatio Gain has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 7th instant.