

1st February, 1899, and to direct that the following Regulations be observed, viz. :—

1. The Importation is forbidden of :

(a.) Cattle (except horses, mules, and asses) from Egypt, the Province of Naples, Calabria, and Salonica ;

(b.) Wool, hides, skins, horns, bones, and hoofs from the above places and from countries where epidemic diseases are reported ;

(c.) Cattle arriving from any place, if affected with any disease in view of which, in the opinion of the Chief Government Medical Officer, their admission into the Lazaretto might prove detrimental to other cattle already in the Island.

2. Cattle which may be allowed to be landed under the conditions hereinafter specified, and subject to their being kept isolated and under observation in such of the enclosures at the Lazaretto as may be assigned or approved for that purpose for the period hereinafter stated.

(a.) Cattle from the Black Sea, Sea of Azov, Syria, and Roumelia (unless the importation is otherwise prohibited)—subjected to three months' observation ;

(b.) Horses, mules, and asses from Egypt, the Province of Naples, Calabria, and Salonica—subjected to three days' observation, provided that such horses, mules, and asses shall be released, after inspection at the Lazaretto, if the owner undertake to keep the animals in a place approved of by the Collector of Customs, and to cause them to be inspected by a Government Medical Officer or Veterinary Surgeon twice a week for nine weeks.

The cattle referred to in this paragraph shall not be allowed to be landed, unless the consignee shall have in each case, and before shipment, made a written application, stating the approximate number of animals intended to be imported, and obtained the necessary permission after having agreed to abide by any regulations which may be established. Such application shall imply that the consignee has bound himself to abide by any regulations which may be in force on the day of importation, or which may be issued during the time in which the cattle may have to remain in quarantine, and also to pay the entrance fees, fees for guards, and other fees for ordinary or extraordinary expenses usually levied on cattle at the Lazaretto.

3. Swine.

Swine arriving from Albania and Greece may be imported subject to forty days' quarantine at the Lazaretto or in private enclosures, and to any restrictions which the Chief Government Medical Officer may consider necessary.

4. General Provisions.

All cattle intended for importation into these Islands must be accompanied by a certificate from the British Consular Authority, or, in default, of the Local Government Authority of the places of origin and embarkation, stating that cattle disease has not been officially reported in those places during the three months previous to the date of embarkation.

The term cattle in this paragraph includes horses, mules, asses, animals of the bovine species, sheep, goats, and swine.

5. Vessels with Cattle on Board.

Vessels arriving in this Island, having on board more than 250 head of cattle (bovine), are to go into the quarantine harbour, and the cattle are to be inspected in the cattle enclosures of the Lazaretto.

6. Dogs.

The importation of dogs is subjected to three months' quarantine.

By command,

G. STRICKLAND,

Chief Secretary to Government.

Palace, Valletta, March 29, 1899.

(F. & H. 5469.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 6, 1899.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Notice issued by the Governor of Barbados, declaring La Guayra, Caracas, Barancas, and Ciudad Bolivar to be no longer places infected with small-pox.

(F. & H. 5512.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 6, 1899.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Tamatave, intimating that clean bills of health are now issued to vessels leaving that port.

(F. & H. 5513.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 6, 1899.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, copies of Notices issued by the Governor of Barbados, declaring the port of Ponce, Porto Rico, to be infected with small-pox, and the ports of Venezuela and Cuba to be no longer infected.

*Admiralty, 3rd April, 1899.*

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

Lieutenant Arthur Cleveland Heathcote has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander. Dated 31st March, 1899.

*Admiralty, 5th April, 1899.*

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881—  
Staff Surgeon Samuel Wellesley Johnson, M.B., has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 30th March, 1899.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Hertford.*

Montague Price, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 28th March, 1899.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Leicester.*

Charles James Phillips, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

Edward Hussey Packe, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the West Riding of the County of York, and of the City and County of the City of York.*

The Honourable Henry John Lindley Wood to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 28th February, 1899.