

4. While in ports infected with yellow fever, vessels should be anchored out in the harbour, when this is possible, and the crew prohibited from going ashore, especially at night.

5. When practicable, cargoes should be loaded in such a manner as to allow access to the pumps, and also to enable the quarantine officers to pump out and wash the bilge.

6. For the purpose of avoiding delay and expense at quarantine, owing to the necessity of shifting of cargo for the object of disinfection, it is recommended that there be constructed in all vessels from quarantine ports, an open frame-work shaft, fifteen inches in diameter, from the centre of each hatch, through which the fumigating pipe may be introduced down to the dunnage of the vessel.

7. Special attention should be given to cleanliness of vessels and persons, and provisions should be made for all possible ventilation of the entire vessel. The best disinfectants, and instructions for using same, can be obtained by application to the Board of Health or any of its officers.

8. Masters should, before arrival, see that the bilge is thoroughly pumped out and cleansed, and that the entire vessel be put in such good sanitary condition as to permit of the least possible detention. Fruit vessels, particularly, should be kept thoroughly cleansed for the purpose of avoiding delay at the quarantine station.

9. Vessels observing the above recommendations will receive special consideration at the quarantine station, detention and cost of cleaning, disinfecting, &c., being materially lessened thereby.

G. FARRAR PATTON, M.D., Secretary.  
EDMOND SOUCHON, M.D., President.

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*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 14, 1899.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at The Hague, intimating that Calcutta is declared infected with plague, and that all vessels which have left that port ten days or less before 11th April will be considered suspected.

*Admiralty, 10th April, 1899.*

The Reverend William Ernest Oliver Stevens, B.A., has been appointed Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 30th March, 1899.

*Admiralty, 12th April, 1899.*

Staff Surgeon Alexander Martin French has been promoted to the rank of Fleet Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 28th March, 1899.

*War Office, Pall Mall,*

*14th April, 1899.*

*3rd Dragoon Guards*, Major Charles H. Farquharson retires on retired pay, to serve in the Militia under the provisions of Army Order 27 of 1899. Dated 15th April, 1899.

*7th Dragoon Guards*, Major William Edwin Danby retires from the Service, receiving a gratuity, to serve in the Militia under the provisions of Army Order 27 of 1899. Dated 15th April, 1899.

*20th Hussars*, Captain Graham T. G. Edwards is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Yeomanry. Dated 15th March, 1899.

*Royal Artillery*, Brevet Colonel Charles J. Long, from employment with the Egyptian Army, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Brevet Colonel E. O. Hay, removed on appointment to the Staff. Dated 1st April, 1899.

Major the Honourable Algernon Sidney is placed on temporary half-pay on account of ill-health. Dated 15th April, 1899.

The undermentioned Officers are seconded:—

Captain William E. Wiles, for service in the Army Ordnance Department. Dated 5th April, 1899.

Captain John K. Kendall, for service as an Instructor in Gunnery, India. Dated 7th April, 1899.

Captain James R. Stansfeld, whilst a Student in the Senior Class. Dated 10th April, 1899.

Lieutenant Alfred E. Gordon, for service in the Army Ordnance Department. Dated 5th April, 1899.

Lieutenant Robert A. Craig, whilst a Student in the Senior Class. Dated 10th April, 1899.

Lieutenant Arthur R. Oldfield, from the Seconded List, to be Lieutenant, vice A. E. Gordon. Dated 5th April, 1899.

*Hong Kong—Singapore Battalion*, Havildar-Major Rusmat Ali to be Jemadar, vice Bhoop Singh, retired. Dated 29th March, 1899.

#### REGIMENTAL DISTRICTS.

Colonel Vernor Chater, 25th Regimental District (the King's Own Scottish Borderers), is placed on retired pay. Dated 7th April, 1899.

Brevet Colonel H. de C. Rawlins, from Lieutenant-Colonel the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), to be Colonel to command the 26th (the Cameronians, Scottish Rifles) and 71st (the Highland Light Infantry) Regimental Districts, vice Colonel J. R. Meham, deceased. Dated 3rd April, 1899.

Brevet Colonel H. G. Dixon, C.B., Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, from Lieutenant-Colonel half-pay, to be Colonel to command the 25th Regimental District (the King's Own Scottish Borderers), vice Colonel V. Chater. Dated 7th April, 1899.

#### LINE BATTALIONS.

*The King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment)*, The restoration to the establishment of Supernumerary Lieutenant John M. A. Graham, which was notified in the Gazette of 17th January, 1899, is cancelled.

*The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment)*, Second Lieutenant T. F. G. Ogle to be Lieutenant, vice V. Henry, promoted. Dated 15th April, 1899.

*The Leicestershire Regiment*, Major Maxwell R. Hyslop retires on retired pay. Dated 15th April, 1899.

The undermentioned Captains to be Majors:—  
Ralph L. Sandwith, vice R. L. Milne, D.S.O., promoted Lieutenant-Colonel on half-pay. Dated 18th January, 1899.

Victor Semini, vice M. R. Hyslop. Dated 15th April, 1899.

*The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers*, Captain Jasper G. Mayne retires on retired pay. Dated 15th April, 1899.

*The Worcestershire Regiment*, Lieutenant Ernest C. F. Wodehouse to be Adjutant, vice Captain R. M. Sanders, who has vacated that appointment. Dated 6th March, 1899.