

Cominotto under such restrictions as the Collector of Customs may direct.

(a.) Vessels that have on board, or have had during the voyage cases of cholera, yellow fever, or plague, or cases of a disease with symptoms resembling those of cholera, yellow fever, or plague.

(b.) Vessels with pilgrims from the East.

(c.) Vessels arriving from Arabian ports in the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf which have not been admitted to free pratique at Suez and Port Said.

2 Vessels which are allowed to enter the Quarantine Harbour to coal and take in provisions under Quarantine restrictions.

(a.) Vessels arriving from Indian Ports without a doctor; but those that carry a doctor and have passed through the Suez Canal in quarantine shall be admitted to free pratique.

(b.) Vessels arriving from any port without a clean bill of health, which do not fall under any of the preceding regulations.

(c.) Vessels arriving from Egyptian ports.

3. Medical Inspection.

All vessels arriving at Malta shall undergo strict medical inspection.

4. Passengers.

(a.) Passengers arriving from Bombay, Kurra- chee, and passengers from Calcutta, on board vessels that do not carry a doctor, shall be landed in one of the quarantine establishments where they will be subjected to strict medical inspection until their clothing and all other articles of personal use, likely to retain infection, shall have been thoroughly disinfected.

(b.) Passengers arriving from Indian ports on board vessels that carry a doctor, shall be permitted to land; but no luggage shall be landed before it is disinfected in one of the quarantine establishments.

(c.) Every passenger or other person arriving at Malta shall, before being allowed to land, declare on oath before an Inspector of Marine Police or other superior officer that he has not been in Egypt within 21 days; whenever such person does not make this declaration on oath, he shall undergo 21 days' quarantine on the ship.

5. Goods.

The importation of coffee, beans or ground, coloured with substances injurious to health is prohibited.

The importation of cotton seed from any port subject to quarantine is forbidden.

The importation of rags is prohibited.

The importation is forbidden, before disinfection, of the following articles, viz.: wearing apparel, soiled linen and clothing, bedding materials, feathers, bones, and jute goods.

The importation of hides from any port subject to quarantine or from any place where cattle disease exists, is prohibited before disinfection.

The importation of vines, vine shoots, and fruit packed in vine leaves, is prohibited. The importation of plants, or roots from any port of the Mediterranean is prohibited unless the same are accompanied by a satisfactory certificate that Phylloxera is not known to exist at the place of origin.

By command,

G. STRICKLAND,

Chief Secretary to Government.

Palace, Valletta, June 8, 1899.

(F. & H. 8972.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, June 16, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a

copy of a Telegram from the Governor of Cyprus, intimating that the quarantine against Egypt has been raised to 15 days.

(F. & H. 8976.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, June 16, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following copy of a Circular issued by the Bulgarian Government, viz.:—

Sofia, le 24 Mai (5 Juin), 1899.

Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et des Cultes.

No. 6411.

Circulaire.

Le Ministère des Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur d'informer l'Agence Diplomatique de Sa Majesté Britannique que, sur l'avis du Conseil Médical Supérieur de la Principauté et par une Ordonnance sub No. 179 en date du 21 Mai a.c., le Département de l'Intérieur ayant en vue l'apparition de quelques cas de peste dans le port de Bassorah, a édicté les mesures quaranténaires suivantes :

1°. Sont déclarés comme infestés par la peste la ville de Bassorah et tout le littoral du Golfe Persique. Les mesures quaranténaires énumérées dans les ordonnances sub No. 55, 74, 130 et 136 de l'a.c. seront appliquées envers ces localités ;

L'ordonnance sub No. 118 du 19 Avril a.c. est modifiée comme suit :

(a.) L'importation en Bulgarie des sacs venant directement des Indes ou d'autres, localités contaminées par la peste est interdite ;

(b.) Les sacs venant des Indes ou d'autres endroits infestés et qui auraient été transbordés sur un autre navire dans un port européen quelconque, ne peuvent être importés dans la Principauté que par les ports de Varna et de Bourgas et par le point frontière de Hebibtchevo, après avoir subi la désinfection.

(3.) Les marchandises venant de localités contaminées par la peste à destination des ports du Danube ne peuvent être importées en Bulgarie, alors même qu'elles auraient reçu libre pratique par Sulina :

(4.) Les voyageurs venant de localités infestées et qui présenteront des certificats prouvant qu'ils ont subi la quarantaine établie à Sulina, ne peuvent entrer en Bulgarie que par les ports du Danube de Silistra, Roustchouk, Sistow et Lom, après une désinfection rigoureuse de tous leurs effets ; et

(5.) Est interdite l'entrée en Bulgarie des colis postaux venant de localités contaminées par la peste.

A l'Honorable,

Agence Diplomatique et Consulat-Général de Sa Majesté Britannique, Sofia.

(F. & H. 8977.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, June 16, 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 Odessa, intimating that owing to the existence of plague in Alexandria that city has been declared unsanitary; that all vessels from the above port bound for any port in the Black Sea or Sea of Azov are therefore required to undergo medical inspection and disinfection at Theodosia—the quarantine station of the Euxine—before being admitted to pratique; and that quarantine of ten days' duration will be enforced on vessels arriving with cases of plague or suspicious symptoms of the disease on board.