

Government Notice No. 104.

His Excellency the Governor, having heard the opinion of the Board of Health, has been pleased to modify Government Notice No. 99 of the 7th May, 1900, and to direct that the following Regulations be observed, viz. :—

1. Vessels which are not allowed to enter the Harbour, but are allowed to communicate in quarantine with the Islands of Comino and 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, take in provisions and cargo under quarantine restrictions.

(a.) Vessels arriving from Indian and Arabian ports without a clean bill of health which have not been admitted to free pratique in a port in the Adriatic or Mediterranean Sea.

(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 Egypt.

3. Quarantine for a period of twelve days.

Passengers arriving from Egypt and Smyrna will be required to undergo a period of twelve days' quarantine.

4. Medical Inspection.

All vessels arriving at Malta shall undergo strict medical inspection.

5. Passengers.

(a.) Passengers and crews of vessels arriving from Indian and Arabian ports 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 and crews of vessels arriving from the above places 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 arriving at Malta from any Mediterranean port eastward of Gibraltar 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 or Smyrna within twelve days.

6. 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 from India is forbidden, before disinfection, of the following articles, besides those mentioned in the next preceding subsection: used sacks, as also carpets and embroideries which have been in use, raw skins, fresh skins, and untanned

skins; animal débris, such as hoofs, manes, hair; raw silk, wool, and human hair.

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 from the British Consular authority that phylloxera is not known to exist at the place of origin.

By command,

G. STRICKLAND, Chief Secretary to Government.

Palace, Valletta, May 11, 1900.

(F. & H. 7820.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 16, 1900.

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 Brussels, enclosing the following copy of a Quarantine Notice issued by the Belgian Government, viz. :—

Moniteur Belge, le 12 Mai, 1900.

Peste.—Mesures aux frontières.

Le Ministre de l'Agriculture :—

Vu l'arrêté royal du 5 Avril, 1897, prescrivant des mesures sanitaires relatives aux provenances de pays ou circonscriptions territoriales déclarées contaminées de peste;

Vu spécialement les Articles 5 et 6 de cet arrêté, chargeant le Ministre de l'Agriculture de désigner les pays ou parties de pays à l'égard desquels le régime prévu par les Articles 1er à 4 du dit arrêté concernant l'importation et le transit des marchandises, sera rendu applicable, et de régler mesures à prendre dans les ports, au point de vue de la visite médicale, de l'isolement et de la désinfection, à l'égard des navires considérés comme infestés, suspects ou indemnes.

Arrêté :

ARTICLE 1er. Les dispositions qui font l'objet des Articles 1er à 4 de l'arrêté royal du 5 Avril, 1897, susvisés, sont rendues applicables aux provenances de Sydney, de l'île de Haïti, de la Nouvelle Zélande, des îles Philippines et de l'Egypte, contaminées par la peste bubonique.

ARTICLE 2. Ces provenances, arrivant par voie de mer, seront soumises à la station sanitaire de l'Escaut, et dans les ports d'Ostende et de Nieuport, ainsi qu'à Selzaete, au régime stipulé par les chapitres II, III et IV du règlement sanitaire général annexé à la convention sanitaire internationale de Venise, en date du 19 Mars, 1897.

Bruxelles, le 11 Mai, 1900.

BON M. VAN DER BRUGGEN.

(F. & H. 7822.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 16, 1900.

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 Athens, intimating that ten days' quarantine has been imposed on arrivals from Smyrna.

(F. & H. 7824.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, May 16, 1900.

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 Constantinople, intimating that the five days' quarantine imposed against arrivals from Mediter-