

*Factory Department, Home Office,  
March, 23, 1903.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. T. V. De Dener, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Act, at Cradley Heath, in the county of Stafford, will be vacant on the 30th April.

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour  
Department), London, March 21, 1903.  
H. 4471.*

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Law of the Danish Government concerning measures against the introduction of contagious diseases into Iceland:—

We Christian the Ninth, by the Grace of God King of Denmark, the Wends and Goths, Duke of Sleswick, Holstein, Stormarn, Dithmarschen, Lauenburg and Oldenburg.  
Give notice: that the „alping“ have passed and We have sanctioned the following Law:

#### 1st Part.

Explanations of words and general rules.

##### Sec. 1.

In this present Act the following words are used in the significations as under.

“Foreign Countries” signifies any country outside of Iceland.

“Vessel” comprises any floating conveyance.

“Foreign Vessel” means any vessel arriving at this country, whether she has started on her last voyage from some foreign country, or has taken on board persons or goods at sea from any other vessel coming direct from some foreign country, or from any foreign fishing vessel. She shall continually be considered a foreign vessel, until she has obtained a certificate of health in any Icelandic port.

“Bill of Health” signifies a certificate issued by the authorities of health concerned, purporting whether any foreign disease or other particularly named contagious disease be prevailing in the very port of sailing or in its vicinity.

“Foreign Diseases” comprises the plague, Asiatic cholera, smallpox, dysentery, exanthematic typhus, yellow fever, measles, and scarlet fever.

“Certificate of Health” means a certificate obtained by any foreign vessel from the Health Officer at the port of arrival in Iceland, purporting that nothing in the contents of this present Act prohibits the putting on shore at Icelandic ports of either persons or goods.

“Health Officer” is the official of any Icelandic port who, in pursuance of this present Act, has to inspect the bills of health of foreign vessels and to confer upon them certificates of health.

“Port” means an authorized trading place attended by a Health Officer (see sec. 5).

“Goods” comprises any movable objects in the vessel, including the catch.

“Prohibited Goods” mean goods, whose importation is prohibited by official notification of the Minister for Iceland or the Governor („landshüfoingi“) on account of danger of infection, or else made dependent on certain conditions (sec. 22).

#### Sec. 2.

Any vessel arriving at this country from foreign countries, and intending to have connections with the shore or the inhabitants, shall be bound to carry a bill of health from the port of sailing, which, for vessels coming from foreign parts, shall be certified by the Danish Consul of the

place, or, if such be not found in the place, by the magistrate of said place.

#### Sec. 3.

Apart from cases of need or accident no foreign vessel or foreign fishing vessel shall be allowed to land persons or goods in other places than the ports, cfr. sec. 7.

#### Sec. 4.

Outside of the ports, either within or outside the maritime jurisdiction, no Icelandic vessel shall be allowed to take in goods from foreign vessels, except in case of need or accident.

Apart from cases of need or accident nobody shall be allowed to take into their homes or to come into personal contact with persons from foreign fishing vessels going ashore outside the ports.

#### 2nd Part.

Quarantine Boards and Lazarettoes.

##### Sec. 5.

In every market town and every authorized trading place of this country where a permanent mercantile establishment is found, there shall be a Quarantine Board.

In the market towns this Board shall be composed of the Town Judge („bæjarfógeti“) the District Physician, and one Town Councillor elected by the Town Council. The Town Judge shall be Chairman of the Board and Health Officer.

In all other places the Board shall be composed of the District Judge („sýslumaour“), if he be a resident of the place, the District Physician and one Resident of the place elected by the District Council („sýslunefnd“). If the District Judge be not residing in the trading place, he shall be replaced by his Resident Agent. The District Judge or his Agent shall be Chairman of the Board and Health Officer.

The Quarantine Boards shall see the rules and regulations of this present Act carried into effect.

Pilots, Bailiffs („hreppstjóri“), Town Councils and Parish Councils shall be bound to aid the Quarantine Boards in attending to their duties.

The Governor in concert with the Head Physician („landlæknir“) shall draw up regulations for the Quarantine Boards.

##### Sec. 6.

In each of the market towns of the country there shall be a Lazaretto fully fitted out to receive at any time from foreign vessels such sick persons as it may be necessary to isolate. These Lazarettoes shall be under control of the quarantine board concerned, who have to take care of the maintenance of the same and of their fit-out, as well as to see, that the needful attendance be at hand when required.

The district physician concerned shall attend the patients brought into the Lazaretto, unless the Governor by advice of the Head Physician designates another physician for the purpose.

The Governor in concert with the Head Physician shall form regulations for the use of the Lazarettoes.

#### 3rd Part.

General rules concerning foreign vessels.

##### Sec. 7.

If a foreign vessel wish to land persons or goods in some port, cfr. sec. 3, without being in the situation of being obliged to hoist the quarantine flag (sec. 11), the Master of the same shall go ashore alone and repair direct to the Health Officer, producing the bill of health of the vessel, in case it carries one, and give an account of the state of health on board. Until the Master has obtained a certificate of health from the Health Officer no other person shall be allowed on shore from the vessel, not even