Cholera, in so far as such withdrawal has not already taken place; and, further, that by a Decree dated the 14th-15th December the Ministers of the Interior and of Finance have withdrawn the prohibition respecting the importation and transit of rags, etc., from any of the places situated in the Russian Governments, provinces, and districts situated on the Black Sea and the Sea of Azoff, in so far as this prohibition was still in force.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, December 22, 1910. H. 16030.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch dated December 17th from His Majesty's Minister at The Hague, forwarding the following translation of a Decree of the Netherlands Government, dated the 15th/16th December, respecting the importation of rags, &c., from Smyrna:—

The Ministers of the Interior and of Finance:

Having regard to Article 1 of the Royal Decree of October, 10, 1910:

Bring to the notice of the public that on and after the 18th instant the importation and transit of rags, used articles of clothing, and unwashed underclothing and bedding from Smyrna shall be prohibited.

Luggage which travellers bring with them shall be included in this prohibition in so far as unwashed underclothing and bedding are

concerned.

This prohibition shall not apply:

I. As regards importation and transit:

To goods which have arrived from Smyrna but which can be shown to have come originally from elsewhere, and which are packed in such a manner and have been so transported as to render it impossible that they should have been in contact with the infected objects;

II. As regards transit:

To goods which are packed in such a manner that they cannot have undergone any kind of manufacture or treatment on the way.

The Hague, December 15/16, 1910.

For the Minister of the Interior, J. B. Kan, Secretary General.

For the Minister of Finance, HESHUSIUS, Secretary General.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, December 22, 1910.

H. 16047.

The Board of Trade have received a copy of the following Quarantine Notice, dated December 15th, issued by the Government of Malta:—

## GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

Information having been received that an infectious or contagious disease, dangerous to mankind, to wit cholera, exists at the port of Salonica, in Turkey, it is hereby declared that Salonica is an infected place, within the meaning of Article 1 of the Regulations made under the Fourth Sanitary Ordinance, 1908, published on the 28th August, 1908, as amended

by Government Notices Nos. 199, 214, 243 and 290 of 1910.

By command,

E. M. MEREWETHER,

Lieutenant-Governor and Chief Secretary to Government.

Lieut.-Governor's Office, The Palace, Valletta, December 15, 1910.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, December 22, 1910.

H 16130

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following telegram, dated December 21st, from His Majesty's Minister at The Hague:—Madeira officially declared to be infected with Asiatic cholera. Sanitary measures for cholera will be applied to any vessel having left Madeira five days or less before December 20th.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, December 22, 1910.

H. 16032.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following notice, dated December 10th, issued by the Swedish Board of Trade, respecting stations of observation and quarantine in Sweden:—

The Royal Board of Trade, in compliance with the Order in Council of June 16, 1905, hereby make known that the station of observation and quarantine on the island of Fejan in the archipelago of Stockholm and the stations of observation at Juniskären in the archipelago of Sundsvall, Oxelösund in the archipelago of Nyköping and the port of Slite in Gottland shall, at the expiration of the 11th of December, 1910, cease to be in operation.

From and including the 12th of December, 1910, remain also until further notice Känsö, near Gothenburg, as station of observation and quarantine, and Kalmar and, until the end of the year of 1910, Hälsingborg as stations of

observation.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, December 22, 1910.

H. 15944.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a translation of a Circular, dated December 9th, issued by the Norwegian Government, and superseding the Circular, dated November 3rd, published in the London Gazette of November 15th last:—

Circular Relating to Places Infected with Cholera.

Department of Justice and Police, Christiania, 9th December, 1910.

The Island of Madeira is to be regarded as infected with cholera until further notice.

The Russian Governments of Estland, Kurland, and Livland are struck off the current list of cholera infected places.