

Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 756 P

DATED 20th May 1899

[Despatch Abstract.]

Inspection of vessels

Recording letter from the Govt of Bengal
forwarding a copy of the revised Marine
Regⁿ No 14 of 25.4.98, on the subject of
— leaving the port of Calcutta &
ordering the republication of the
notification in the Govt G.O. page page.

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2. The notification received from the Government of Bengal will be republished in the Fort St. George Gazette.

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Order

From The Secretary to the
Govt of Bengal.

No. 838 Medl
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Dated 28-4-99

Received 13-5-99

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding for information
a copy of the revised
Plague Regulation No
14 of 25-4-99 on the
subject of inspection
of vessels leaving the
port of Calcutta.

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PLAGUE REGULATION No. 14.

Calcutta, the 25th April 1899.

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 2 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, III of 1897, and by the Notification of the Government of India, in the Home Department, No. 302, dated the 4th February, and in supersession of Plague Regulation No. 14, dated the 1st March 1899, the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal is pleased to declare that all vessels and persons leaving the port of Calcutta for ports out of India or for any port in Burma or the Presidencies of Madras or Bombay or for Aden shall be subjected to the rules in the Regulation hereinafter set forth:—

RULES.

1. *Vessels proceeding to ports out of India.*—No vessel shall leave the port of Calcutta for any port out of India until she has been inspected by the Health Officer, and the Master or person in charge of such vessel has obtained from such officer a Bill of Health in Form A, given below, stating (1) that the Master or person in charge, officers, crew, and passengers (if any) of such vessel have been inspected by him by day on shore at the time of embarkation and are free from infectious disease dangerous to life, and from plague; and (2) that the clothing and bedding of all third-class or deck passengers, of native servants and of the native crew of such vessel, have been disinfected on shore under his superintendence in the manner prescribed in Appendix I.

2. *Vessels proceeding to Indian ports.*—No vessel shall leave the port of Calcutta for any port in Burma or the Presidencies of Madras and Bombay or for Aden until she has been inspected by the Health Officer, and the Master or person in charge of such vessel has obtained from such officer a Bill of Health in Form B, given below, stating that the Master or person in charge, officers, crew, and passengers (if any) of such vessel have been inspected by him by day at the time of embarkation, and are free from infectious disease dangerous to life and from plague.

3. *Removal of infected persons.*—Should the Health Officer be of opinion that any person so inspected is suffering from the plague or is not free from the infection of plague such person shall not be allowed to embark.

4. *Disinfection.*—All contaminated or suspected articles shall be thoroughly disinfected on shore, under the supervision of the Health Officer in the manner prescribed in Appendix I.

5. *Compensation.*—If in the course of disinfecting any clothes, bedding or other articles under rule 1 or rule 4 any damage is caused to such article, the Health Officer is authorized to pay to the owner thereof such compensation as he may deem reasonable.

6. *Fresh bill of health when necessary.*—After the Master or person in charge of the vessel has obtained a Bill of Health under the provisions of these rules, no person shall be admitted on board such vessel before she leaves the port, unless such vessel is again inspected by the Health Officer of the port, and another Bill of Health obtained from such officer by the Master or person in charge of such vessel.

7. *Port Clearance.*—(a) Except as provided for in clauses (b) and (c) of this rule, no port clearance shall be delivered to any vessel bound from Calcutta to any port out of India, or to any port in Burma or the Presidencies of Madras or Bombay or to Aden, unless and until the Master or person in charge thereof shall produce the Bill of Health so to be obtained as aforesaid; and it shall be the duty of the collector of Customs to refuse delivery of the port clearance without the production of such Bill of Health.

(b) Provided that the Collector of Customs may grant port clearance to any vessel on the Agent giving a guarantee that he will, within 48 hours after the departure of the vessel, produce to the Collector a duplicate copy of the Bill of Health, as finally granted, signed by the Health Officer.

(c) If any Agent of a vessel who has given a guarantee under clause (b) fails to produce a duplicate copy of the Bill of Health as aforesaid, he shall be bound to cause the vessel to be remooed in the port of Calcutta within 48 hours after her departure.

8. *Health Officers.*—In these rules "Health Officer" means the Health Officer of the port of Calcutta, and includes an Additional or Assistant Health Officer and any person appointed by name or in virtue of his office to perform the duties of an Additional or Assistant Health Officer.

E. N. BAKER,

Offy. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Form A.

BILL OF HEALTH.

THIS is to certify that the ship (or steamer) sailing under the flag of _____ and under the command of _____ as Master, of _____

persons* and passengers, is at the time of leaving this port in a satisfactory sanitary condition, and that no case of infectious disease dangerous to life, or of plague, exists among her officers, passengers, or crew, all of whom have been inspected by me by day on shore at the time of embarkation.

It is further certified that the clothes and bedding of all third-class or deck passengers () in number, of all native servants () in number, and of all the native crew () in number have been disinfected on shore under my superintendence, in the manner prescribed for the disinfection of contaminated or suspected articles.

(2)

It is further certified that the town and port of Calcutta are at present* *free from* plague, epidemic cholera, yellow fever, and all other dangerous epidemic disease.

* Or as the case may be.

Form B.

BILL OF HEALTH.

This is to certify that the ship (or steamer) sailing under the flag and under the command of _____ as Master, of _____ tons, bound for _____ with a crew of _____ persons* and _____ passengers, is at the time of leaving this port in a satisfactory sanitary condition, and that no case of infectious disease dangerous to life, or of plague, exists among her officers, passengers, or crew, all of whom have been inspected by me by day at the time of embarkation.

It is further certified that the town and port of Calcutta are at present† *free from* plague, epidemic cholera, yellow fever, and all other dangerous epidemic disease.

† Or as the case may be.

APPENDIX I.

UNDER-CLOTHING, bedding, wearing apparel, mattresses, carpets, &c., which are contaminated or suspected, and other articles to be disinfected should be exposed for fifteen minutes to saturated steam—under pressure, if possible—at a temperature of not less than 100° C. (212°F.), care being taken that the steam shall reach all parts of each article to be disinfected.

Disinfecting solutions—

(a) Solution of corrosive sublimate, of 1 part in 1,000 with the addition of 10 parts of chloride of soda.

The solution should be coloured with aniline dye or indigo. It should not be placed in metal vessels.

(b) A 5-per cent. solution of pure crystallized carbolic acid, or 5 per cent. of crude commercial carbolic acid free from tar oils in a warm solution of soft soap.

The carbolic solutions will be useful, more particularly for disinfecting articles, such as metals, instruments, &c., which can neither be subjected to a temperature of 100° centigrade nor placed in contact with corrosive sublimate. They may also be used at ports not provided with a disinfecting stove of the prescribed pattern.

Nos. 851—65^{Medl.}_{P.}

- (1) Bengal Chamber of Commerce
- (2) Vice-Chairman of the Commissioners of the Port of Calcutta
- (3) Chairman of the Calcutta Corporation
- (4) Judicial, Political, Appointment, General, Revenue, Financial, Marine, and Public Works Departments
- (5) Port Officer of Calcutta
- (6) Collector of Customs
- (7) Board of Revenue
- (8) Bengal National Chamber of Commerce

Copy forwarded to the

for information, in continuation of endorsement Nos. 1356—70Medl., dated the 3rd March 1899.

No. 866^{Medl.}_{P.}

Copy forwarded to the Sanitary Commissioner, for information, in continuation of Government Order No. 1371Medl., dated the 3rd March 1899.

No. 867^{Medl.}_{P.}

Copy forwarded to the Secretary to the Plague Commission, for the information of the Commission.

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

B. FOLEY,

Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

CALCUTTA;

MUNICIPAL DEPT.—Medical,
The 28th April 1899.

C. T.—Reg. No. 417C—1,127—29.4.99.

MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

MEDICAL.

No. 838 ^{Medl.}_{P.}

CALCUTTA, THE 28TH APRIL 1899.

FROM E. W. COLLIN, Esq.,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

TO THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

SIR,

In continuation of this Government letter No. 1318Medl., dated the 2nd March 1899, I am directed to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, a copy of the revised Plague Regulation No. 14, dated the 25th April 1899, on the subject of inspection of vessels leaving the port of Calcutta.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

R. S. Shankar
for Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

C. T.—Reg. No. 541C—23—29.4.99.

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