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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers :—

From Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works (Marine) Department, dated 18th March 1897, No. 689/S.

With reference to G.O., Mis. No. 301 M., dated 26th February 1897, I have the honour to forward somewhat modified suggested regulations as to ports in connection with plague. For convenience of reference I forward an extract from my letter referred to in the Government Order quoted.

Enclosure.

Extract from letter from Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, No. 434, dated 20th February 1897.

With reference to telegram from the Chief Secretary, dated 1st instant, received by me on the evening of the 12th and to G.O., No. 165, dated 20th January 1897, I have the honour to submit, herewith, suggestions for the regulations in connection with the proposed Epidemic Disease Prevention Act.

2. Most of the regulations suggested are justified as to precedent by English or Indian Law—several are merely transcripts altered to suit local requirements. In the case of the section referring to shipping, the wording is throughout practically that of the General Order * (L.G.B. England) 1890. I would particularly invite your attention to the regulations in this connection. Those issued by Government as a temporary measure in *Fort St. George Gazette* notification, No. 30, dated 12th instant, seem to me most undesirable. The method adopted by these is virtually that of penning up the sick and healthy in an infected ship alike, notwithstanding the discretion given to the Medical Officer of Health.

This course has not in practice proved successful. So long as men have money with free wills and means of locomotion, they will defy such measures of quarantine, and the very sense of safety which such apparently stringent measures elicit, conduces to failure. There is nothing more likely to hamper trade, and spread disease than a defective system of quarantine. Such measures are in strong contrast to those possible on land. If it were necessary to bem up sick and healthy alike in a ship, why not also so detain the occupants of a train? No country has had more experience of these matters than England, but she has finally rejected such measures, adopting instead the liberal-minded regulations I have quoted. In short, I would advise on sea as on land the application of the method of "observation" which has already been adopted under my advice by the Municipality of Madras and other municipalities throughout the Presidency. This system of observation must be supplemented by rapid action on the part of all authorities to secure a safe sanitary condition of each locality, and a sufficient sanitary staff to effect rapid segregation of all infected person and matters.

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* To all Port Sanitary Authorities.

From Commander H. A. STREET, R.I.M., Presidency Port Officer, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, dated 23rd March 1897, No. 110 G.

With reference to the proposals contained in letter, No. 689/3, dated 18th March 1897, from the Sanitary Commissioner which accompanied Marine Department Memo., No. 209 E., dated 20th March 1897 (enclosures herewith returned), I have the honour to make the following remarks for the information of Government, viz. :—

With respect to definitions—Section III.

Regulations as to shipping.

(1) I think that the definition given in clauses (2), (3) and (4) of section 3 of Indian Ports Act X of 1889 of the terms "Port officer", "vessel" and "Master" should be substituted for the definition proposed by the Sanitary Commissioner.

Respecting the hoisting of flags.

(2) It is proposed that flag Q shall be hoisted on board of an infected ship, and that a black flag shall be hoisted below flag Q under certain conditions, but as it is proposed that a vessel shall be deemed *infected with plague* in which there is, or has been during the voyage, or during the stay of such vessel in a port in the course of such voyage, any case of plague, it would be necessary, according to the instructions contained in the concluding part of 1 (*a*), for the second flag to be displayed. If this is so, when should flag Q be alone shown?

With regard to the "black" flag, I would point out that vessels are not supplied with flags of that colour. I would suggest flag R (the flag used to denote the presence of cholera, small-pox or other epidemic disease on board ship) being used instead. Flag Q should be hoisted at the foremasthead instead of being displayed, as proposed, below the ensign where it would not be so distinguishable. No signal is proposed to meet the case of an infected vessel arriving at a port after dark; I, therefore, propose that such vessel shall hoist, on coming to an anchor, one white light at the foremasthead and one red light at the mainmasthead.

(3) I have no remarks to make regarding the proposals under the heading "regulations as to detention by Port officer."

III. Regulations as to sanitary authorities.

(4) In paragraph 6, the expression "Chief officer of the Port" is used, the term Port officer should be substituted.

I have no further remarks to offer.

Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Marine Department, dated Simla, 14th April 1897, No. 1290 (Sanitary).

Your telegram dated 3rd. Government of India agree to proposal of Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, that rules should issue under 3 of 1897 that all passengers from infected ship should be landed sick being sent to isolation hospital. They are not however able to agree that healthy should be allowed to proceed to their destination and there kept under observation in accordance with general order of English Local Government Board of 1890. The reason being that one of principal objects of quarantine regulations imposed on Indian ports is to prevent quarantine in Europe of ships sailing from them and if European powers understood that quarantine was not rigorously enforced at Madras neither that port nor others at which vessels proceeding from it might touch on way to Europe would be regarded as uninfected. Healthy should therefore be detained under observation in suitable isolation shelter for ten days from date of landing or from last subsequent case. Clothing of passengers and other susceptible articles should be disinfected before passengers allowed to leave. Please send copy of rules for publication in *Gazette of India* stating date from which they take effect.

Order—No. 363, Marine, dated 22nd April 1897.

Ordered that the following notification be published in the Fort St. George and all Maritime District Gazettes :—

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers delegated to him by the Governor-General in Council under section 2, sub-section (3) of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to prescribe, under the said Epidemic Diseases Act, the following temporary regulations to be observed in all ports of the Madras Presidency. These regulations will come into effect from the date of publication thereof and will supersede the regulations now in force under Act I of 1870.

Regulations as to Vessels.

Definitions.

In these regulations—

" Vessel " includes anything made for conveyance by water of human beings or of property.

" Port officer " includes any person acting under the authority of Government in charge of Port discipline.

" Master " when used in relation to any vessel means, any person (except a pilot or harbour master) having for the time being the charge or control of the vessel.

" Sanitary authority " means the Collector of the district, and every Municipal Council and Local Board, the area under whose jurisdiction includes or abuts on any part of a customs port; and the jurisdiction of every Sanitary authority shall, for the purposes of these regulations, extend to seaward for a distance of three miles beyond low water mark on all parts of the coast line bounding the area ordinarily under its jurisdiction.

" Port Health officer " includes any duly qualified medical practitioner appointed by a Sanitary authority or by the Local Government to act in the execution of these regulations.

For the purpose of these regulations, every vessel shall be deemed infected with plague in which there is, or has been, during the voyage then in progress or presently concluded, or during the stay of such vessel in a port in the course of such a voyage, any case of plague.

I.—Flags to be hoisted by vessels infected with plague.

1. (*a*) The master of every vessel infected with plague shall, when within three miles of the coast of any part of the Madras Presidency, cause to be hoisted at the foremast head the Commercial Code flag Q being a yellow flag, and shall keep the same displayed during the whole time between sun-rise and sun-set. If any person on board such vessel be at the time sick of the plague, the master shall also hoist the Commercial Code flag R below the yellow flag Q. Any such vessel arriving at a port after dark shall hoist on coming to an anchor one white light at the foremast head and one red light at the mainmast head.

(*b*) He shall before arriving at an anchorage free his vessel from bilge water and pass fresh sea water over the parts that have been in contact with such bilge water.

II.—Regulations as to detention by Port officers.

2. If a Port officer on the arrival of any vessel ascertains from the master of such vessel or otherwise has reason to suspect that the vessel is infected with plague, he shall detain such vessel, and order the master forthwith to moor or anchor the same in such position as may be appointed under regulation 6.

3. While such vessel shall be so detained, no person shall leave the same.

4. The Port officer detaining any vessel as aforesaid shall forthwith give notice thereof and of the cause of such detention to the Sanitary authority of the port.

5. Such detention by the Port officer shall cease as soon as the vessel shall have been duly visited and examined by the Port Health officer or, if the vessel shall, upon such examination, be found to be infected with plague, as soon as the same shall be moored or anchored in pursuance of regulations 6 and 10; provided that, if the examination be not commenced within twelve hours after notice given as aforesaid, the vessel shall, on expiration of the said twelve hours, be released from detention. In such latter case, the Port officer shall send immediate information to the Sanitary authorities of the port to which the vessel is bound or at which she is next about to call.

III.—Regulations as to Sanitary authorities.

6. Every Sanitary authority within whose jurisdiction a port exists shall, as speedily as practicable, with the approval of the Port officer, fix some place where vessels may be moored or anchored for the purpose of regulation 10; and shall make provision for the reception of plague patients and persons suffering from illness removed under regulations 13 and 14. The place to be fixed as aforesaid, where any vessel may be moored or anchored for the purpose of regulation 10, shall be some place within the jurisdiction of the Sanitary authority, unless the Local Government otherwise orders, in which case the place so fixed shall, for the purposes of these regulations, be deemed to be within such jurisdiction.

7. It shall be the duty of the Port officer on the approach to the port of an infected vessel to make the fact known to the Port Health officer who shall forthwith visit and examine the vessel, in regard to which such notice shall have been given, for the purpose of ascertaining whether she is infected with plague.

8. The Port Health officer if he have reason to believe that any vessel which has arrived or is within the jurisdiction of the Sanitary authority, whether examined by the Port officer or not, is infected with plague or has come from a place where plague prevails, shall visit and examine such vessel for the purpose of ascertaining whether she is so infected; and the master of such vessel shall permit the same to be so visited and examined.

9. If the Port Health officer on making such examination as aforesaid, whether under regulation 7 or under regulation 8, be of opinion that the vessel is infected, he shall forthwith give a certificate in duplicate in the following form, or to the like effect, and shall deliver one copy to the master and transmit the other to the Sanitary authority. He shall also give immediate information of the arrival of the vessel to the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

Certificate.

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I hereby certify that I have examined the vessel , of , now lying in the port of (or detained at) and that I find that she is infected with plague.

Port Health officer.

10. The master of any vessel so certified to be infected with plague shall thereupon moor or anchor her at the place fixed for that purpose under regulation 6 where she shall remain until the requirements of these regulations have been duly fulfilled.

11. No person shall leave any such vessel until the examination hereinafter mentioned shall have been made.

12. The Port Health officer shall, as soon as possible after any such vessel has been certified to be infected with plague, examine every person on board the same and in the case of any person suffering from plague, or from any illness which the Port Health officer suspects may prove to be plague, shall certify accordingly. Every person who shall not be so certified by him shall be permitted to land and shall be detained under observation in a suitable isolation camp or other place for ten days from the date of his landing or from the date of the occurrence of the last subsequent case of plague which may occur among the persons detained in such camp or place, which ever date may be latest, after which he shall be released if certified by the Chief Medical officer on the spot to be free from plague.

13. Every person certified by the Port Health officer to be suffering from plague shall be removed, if his condition admit of it, to some isolation hospital or other suitable place appointed for that purpose by the Sanitary authority; and no person so removed shall leave such hospital or place, until the Chief Medical officer present at the spot shall have certified that such person is free from the said disease.

If any person suffering from plague cannot be removed, the vessel shall remain subject, for the purpose of this regulation, to the control of the Port Health officer; and the infected person shall not be removed from or leave the vessel, except with the consent, in writing, of the Port Health officer.

14. Any person certified by the Port Health officer to be suffering from illness, which such officer suspects may prove to be plague, may either be detained on board the vessel for any period not exceeding four days, or may be taken, either immediately or at any time within the said period of four days to some hospital, observation camp, or ward or other suitable place appointed for that purpose by the Sanitary authority, and detained there for a period of ten days, in order that it may be ascertained whether the illness is or is not plague.

Any such person who, while so detained, shall be certified by a competent Medical officer to be suffering from plague, shall be dealt with as provided by regulation 13.

15. The Port Health officer shall, in the case of every vessel certified to be infected, give such directions and take such steps as may appear to him to be necessary for preventing the spread of infection, and the master of the said vessel shall forthwith carry into execution such directions as shall be so given to him.

16. In the event of any death from plague on board such vessel while detained under regulation 10, the master shall, as directed by the Sanitary authority, or the Port Health officer, either cause the dead body to be taken out to sea and committed to the deep properly loaded to prevent its rising, or shall deliver it into the charge of the Sanitary authority for disposal, if the former procedure be not in accordance with caste or race customs.

17. The master shall cause any articles that may have been soiled with plague discharges to be destroyed, and the clothing and bedding, and other articles of personal use likely to retain infection which have been used by any person who has suffered from plague on board such vessel, or who, having left such vessel, shall have suffered from plague during the stay of such vessel in the port to be also destroyed; and if the master shall have neglected to do so before the vessel arrives in port, he shall forthwith, upon the direction of the Sanitary authority or the Port Health officer, cause the same to be destroyed; and if the said master neglect to comply with such direction within a reasonable time, the Sanitary authority shall cause the same to be carried into execution.

18. The master shall cause the vessel to be disinfected and every article therein, other than those last described which may probably be infected with plague, to be disinfected or destroyed, according to the directions of the Port Health officer.

19. Provided facilities exist for obtaining suitable water in the port, the master shall, on the requisition of the Port Health officer, cause all tanks to be completely emptied and cleaned and disinfected in such manner as the Port Health officer may direct.

20. Any mails or cargo which may be brought by any vessel so arriving shall be landed under such precautions as the Port Health officer may deem necessary to prevent the spread of the disease.

21. It will be the duty of the Port officer to facilitate the conveyance to all vessels detained under regulations 6 and 10 of such supplies of provisions, stores or other articles as may be required by those on board. Such supplies will be placed on the boats of the vessel, to be subsequently removed by members of their crews.

22. All expenses incurred by any sanitary authority in carrying out these regulations shall be defrayed from Municipal or District or Taluk funds in such proportions as the District Collector may, subject to the orders of the Local Government, direct.

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23. Any person disobeying or contravening any of the foregoing regulations shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of the Indian Penal Code, and shall be liable on conviction to be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees or with both.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent, Government Press, with notification.
" the Surgeon-General with the Government.
" the Presidency Port Officer.
" the Sanitary Commissioner through the Public Department.
" Collectors of Maritime Districts.
" the Local and Municipal Department.
" the Revenue Department.
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Marine
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Revised quarantine Rules

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

The Hon Mr. Bliss C.I.E.

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Letter from the Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras, No. 689/S. dated 18th March 1897
Letter from the Presidency Port Officer
Madras, No. 110G dated 23rd March 1897
Telegram from the Government of India
Home Department No. 1290 Sanitary d/ 14th April 1897

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Government of India with an intimation that the rules came into effect from the (* 11th May 1897).

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To the Secy. to the G. of I.
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Quarantine Rules

Marine ~~P. W.~~ DEPARTMENT.

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The Hon. Mr. Bliss C.I.E

FOR ORDERS.

As to the prior authority of India being required, these are not regns affecting sea-borne trade. However, we may wire to them as follows: "San. Commr. advises issue under 3 of 97 of Quarantine regns based on the General order of English Local Govt. Bd. of 1890 whereby detention of sick & healthy together on board ship abandoned. ~~the sick being la~~ Proposes all be landed, sick being sent to hospital & healthy allowed proceed to destination & kept under observation. Is there any objection?"

Meanwhile get these regns, as corrected by me, into type & have them scrutinised by L. & M. Dept & then let me see proof.

WL
3/4/97

Telegram despatched 3/4/97

With his letter quoted above the Sanitary Commr. submits revised rules for quarantine, as in his opinion the rules published by the Madras Govt. are not in accordance with modern requirements, particularly the provision for penning up in an infected ship the sick and healthy alike. The present rules have been adopted under the instructions of the Govt. of India and are published with the prior sanction of that Government

× vide G.O. 732. Marine d/24th October/96.

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under Act I of 1870. Whether the proposed rules can ~~apparent=~~ ~~ly~~ be published under the Epidemic Diseases Act of 1897 without the sanction of the Government of India seems doubtful - vide telegram from that Government recorded with G.O. 142 Marine d/20 Feby: /97 though the Bombay Govt: have pub=lished rules under the later Act - vide notification mark=ed - A.

2. The most important differences between the present & the proposed rules are shown in parallel columns below:—

Present rules vide G.O. 116 Marine d/ 12 Feby: /97.	Proposed rules
I. Signal ordered, but nature of signal not specified	I. Signals specified
IV. Infected ship moved to qua=rantine anchorage & kept there for 15 days, during which period all intercourse between ship & shore on the vessels is prohibited	(13). Infected persons to be removed if possible from the ship to isolation hospital on land & there detained till free from disease. If persons cannot be moved, ship to be de=tained.
V. If during detention any fresh cases occur, the vessel to be de=tained for 15 days longer after last case.	
VI. Healthy persons may be landed but must be kept under obser=vation for 15 days in quarantine camp.	(12): Those free from plague allowed to land on giving name & address which shall be transmitted to the Sanitary authority of the district where the person is going.
Note There seems some incon=sistency between rules IV & VI. The former prohibits in=tercourse between the shore & ship; the latter allows the landing of persons from the ship.	14. Suspected persons detained under observation for 2 days on board or 12 days on land 16. Disposal of bodies of persons dying on board 17. Disposal of infected clothing, &c. 19. Fresh supply of water to ships after disinfection of their tanks

3. The rules were referred to the Presidency Port Officer for remarks, and he has sug=gested some amendments from the point of view of the Marine Department which may, perhaps, be adopted.

4. The correspondence seems to have originated in the Local & Municipal department, and the papers are not on record in this department, but as the matter is entirely marine it is being dealt with here and meanwhile the papers in the Local & Municipal department have been tele=phoned for.

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Marine Department.

Note for the Hon'ble member

The revised quarantine rules are resubmitted amended in accordance with the requirements of the Government of India Telegram of the 14th (received by the Marine Department on the 19th). Please see proposed amendment to rule 12.

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OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,
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From

SURGEON-LIEUT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,
SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

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To

~~THE~~ The Secretary to Government,
Public Works (Marine) Department,
Chepauk.

Enclosure.

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Telephoned 27 16 Mar 97

SIR,

With reference to G.O. No 301 Mis dated 26th February 1897, I have the honor to forward somewhat modified suggested regulations as to Ports in connection with plague. For convenience of reference I forward an extract from my letter referred to in the G.O. quoted.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
W G King
Surgeon Lieut Col
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

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Extract 2 E.D.

Extract from letter No. 434 dated 20th Febry. 1897 from Surgeon Lieut Col. W. G. King. M.B., C. D.P.H; Sanitary Commissioner for Madras to the Secretary to Government Local and Municipal Department.

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With reference to telegram from the Chief Secretary dated 1st instant received by me on the evening of the 12th and to G.O. No. 165 dated 20th January 1897, I have the honor to submit herewith suggestions for the Regulations in connection with the proposed Epidemic Disease prevention act.

2. Most of the Regulations suggested are justified as to precedent by English or Indian Law – several are merely transcripts altered to suit local requirements. In the case of the section referring to shipping, the wording is throughout practically that of the General Order[×] (L. G. B. England) 1890. I would particularly invite your attention to the Regulations in this connection. Those issued by Government as a temporary measure in Fort Saint George Gazette notification No 30 dated 12th instant seem to me most undesirable. The method adopted by these is virtually that of penning up the sick and healthy in an infected ship alike notwithstanding the discretion given to the Medical Officer of Health.

[×] To all port Sanitary authorities.

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This course has not in practice proved successful. So long as men have money with free wills, and means of locomotion, they will defy such measures of quarantine, and the very sense of safety which such apparently stringent measures elicit, conduces to failure. There is nothing more likely to hamper trade, and spread disease than a defective system of quarantine. Such measures are in strong contrast to those possible on land. If it were necessary to hem up sick and healthy alike in a ship, why not also so detain the occupants of a train? No country has had more experience of these matters than England, but she has finally rejected such measures, adopting instead the liberal-minded Regulations I have quoted. In short, I would advise on sea as on land the application of the method of "observation" which has already been adopted under my advice by the Municipality of Madras and other Municipalities throughout the Presidency. This system of observation must be supplemented by rapid action on the part of all authorities to secure a safe sanitary condition of each locality, and a sufficient sanitary staff to effect rapid segregation of all infected person and matters. * * *

(True extract) W G King

Surgeon Lieut Col
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

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Section III

Regulations as to ~~Shipping~~ vessels

Definitions

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In this regulation —

The term "ship" includes vessel or boat.

These shd. be altered as recommended by the P.H.O. [illegible]

The term "Port officer" includes any person acting under the authority of Government in charge of Port discipline.

The term "master" includes the officer, pilot or other person for the time being in charge or command of the ship.

The term "Sanitary authority" means the Collector of the District, and every Municipal Council and ~~or~~ Local ~~Fund authority~~ Board, whose ~~district~~ the area under jurisdiction includes or abuts on any part of a Customs port. and the jurisdiction of every Sanitary authority shall, for the purposes of these regns, extend to seaward for a distance of three miles beyond ~~the [illegible]~~ low water mark off all parts of the coast ~~[illegible]~~ line bounding the area ordinarily under its jurisdiction.

The term "Port Medical Officer" includes any duly qualified medical practitioner appointed by a Sanitary authority or by the Local Government to act in the execution of these Regulations.

Perhaps, as we have offd. a number of "Health offrs.", we had better say "Health officer" all through or "Port Health officer" [illegible]

The term "Senior Medical Officer" means the Senior Medical officer in Government employ within the ~~area of the Sanitary authority~~ district or municipality, in which the hospital where isolation is effected under these Regulations is situated.

Now ~~that~~ I have altered Reg 13, I don't see where this officer comes in. Therefore, let this [illegible] [illegible]

Omit [illegible]

For the purpose of these Regulations, every ~~ship~~ vessel shall be deemed infected with plague

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plague in which there is or has been during the voyage then in progress or presently concluded, or during the stay of such ~~ship~~ vessel in a port in the course of such voyage, any case of plague.

I. Flags to be hoisted by ~~ships~~ vessels infected with plague.

1.(a) The master of every ~~ship~~ vessel infected with plague shall when within three miles of the coast of any part of the Madras Presidency, cause to be hoisted at the foremast head the commercial code flag signed Q, being a yellow flag ~~under the national ensign~~, and shall keep the same displayed during the whole time between sun-rise and sun-set. If any person on board such vessel be at the time sick of the plague, the master ~~case of plague have occurred on board~~, he shall hoist also ~~a~~ the Commercial Code ~~[black]~~ flag R below ~~the yellow~~ the flag Q.

[illegible] fill in about the lights after dark BS

(b) He shall before arriving at an anchorage free his vessel from bilge water and pass fresh sea water over the parts that have been in contact with such bilge water.

II Regulations as to detention by Port Officers.

2. If a Port officer on the ~~arrival of~~ ascertain from the master of such ~~ship~~ or otherwise have reason to suspect that the ~~ship~~ vessel any ~~ship~~ vessel is infected with plague he shall detain such ~~ship~~ vessel, and order the master forthwith to moor or anchor the same in such position as may be appointed under

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Regulation ~~10~~.

3. Whilst such ~~ship~~ vessel shall be so detained, no person shall leave the same.

4. The Port officer detaining any ~~ship~~ vessel as aforesaid shall forthwith give notice thereof, and of the cause of such detention, to the Sanitary authority of the port ~~place to which the ship shall be bound, or where the ship shall be about to call~~.

I don't see the use of sending info on to ports ahead, unless a vessel gets opened under Regn 5 BS

5. Such detention by the Port officer shall cease as soon as the ~~ship~~ vessel shall have been duly visited and examined by the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer, or, if the ~~ship~~ vessel shall upon such examination, be found to be infected with plague, as soon as the same shall be moored or anchored in pursuance of Regulations 6 and 10; provided that, if the examination be not commenced within twelve hours after notice given as aforesaid, the ~~ship~~ vessel shall, on expiration of the said twelve hours be released from detention. In such latter case, the Port officer shall send immediate information to the Sanitary authorities of the port to which the ship is bound or at which she is next about to call.

III. Regulations as to Sanitary authorit

6. Every ~~A~~ Sanitary authority within ~~the~~ whose jurisdiction ~~area~~ a Port exists shall, as speedily as practicable with the approval of the Port Officer ~~Chief officer of the Port~~, fix some place where ~~any~~ ~~ships~~ vessels may be moored or anchored for the purpose of Regulation

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and shall make provision for the reception of plague patients and persons suffering from illness removed under Regulations 13 & 14. The place to be fixed as aforesaid, where any ~~ship~~ vessel may be moored or anchored for the purpose of Regulation 10, shall be some place within the Jurisdiction ~~& district~~ of the Sanitary authority unless through Government otherwise ~~consents~~ orders, in which case the place so fixed shall, for the purposes of this Regulation, be deemed to be within such Jurisdiction ~~or district~~.

7. It shall be the duty of the Port officer on the approach ~~of~~ to the Port of an infected ship to make the fact known to the Port ~~Medical~~ Health officer who shall forthwith visit and examine the ~~ship~~ vessel, in regard to which such notice shall have been given, for the purpose of ascertaining whether she is infected with plague.

8. The Port ~~Medical~~ Health officer, if he have reason to believe that ~~any ship~~ vessel ~~coming or being~~ which has arrived or is within the Jurisdiction ~~or districts~~ of the Sanitary authority, whether examined by the Port officer or not, ~~if she have~~ is infected ~~has~~ with plague or has come from a place ~~de suspected to be infected with~~ where plague prevails, shall visit and examine such ~~ship~~ vessel for the purpose

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purpose of ascertaining whether she is so infected; and the master of such ~~ship~~ vessel shall permit the same to be so visited and examined.

9. If the Port ~~Medical~~ Health officer on making such examination as aforesaid whether under Regulation 7 or under Regulation 8 be of opinion that the ~~ship~~ vessel is infected, he shall forthwith give a certificate in duplicate in the following form, or to the like effect and shall deliver one copy to the master and ~~retain the other copy, or~~ transmit ~~it~~ the other to the Sanitary authority. He shall also give to the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras ~~and the Sanitary authority~~ of the ~~area~~ information ~~as to~~ of the arrival of the ~~ship~~ vessel.

Certificate

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——— ~~Sanitary authority~~ ———

I hereby certify that I have examined the ~~ship~~ vessel ; of , now lying in the port of [or detained at] and that I find that she is infected with plague.

10. The master of any vessel ~~ship~~ so certified to be infected with plague shall thereupon moor or anchor her at the place fixed for that purpose under Regulation 6, ~~and~~ where she shall remain ~~there~~ until the requirements of these Regulations have been duly fulfilled.

11. No person shall leave any such vessel ~~ship~~, until the examination hereinafter mentioned shall have been made.

12. The Port Health ~~Medical~~ officer shall, as soon as possible after any such vessel ~~ship~~ has been certified to be infected with plague, examine every person on board the same, and in the case of any person suffering from plague or from any illness which the Port Health ~~Medical~~ Officer suspects may prove to be plague, shall certify accordingly; and every person who shall not be so certified by him shall be permitted to land immediately on giving to the Port Health ~~medical~~ Officer his name and place of destination stating where practicable, his address at such place; provided that the Port Health ~~medical~~ officer may, should he feel doubt as to the trustworthiness of the information given, detain such person

land under Regulation 14.

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Port surely when he examines under 7 or 8 he sh^d examine every person on board. Why do it again?

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be given by the Port Health ~~Medical~~ Officer to the Sanitary authority, who shall thereupon, if necessary, transmit the same to the Sanitary authority of the District or place in which the place of destination of such person is situate, whose duty it shall be to keep such person under observation for not less than ten days.

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13. Every person certified by the Port Health ~~Medical~~ Officer to be suffering from plague shall be removed, if his condition admit of it, to some isolation hospital or other suitable place appointed for that purpose by the Sanitary authority; and no person so removed shall leave such hospital or place, until the Chief ~~Senior~~ Medical Officer of the Sanitary authority present at the spot shall have certified that such person is free from the said disease.

If any person suffering from plague cannot be removed, the vessel ~~ship~~ shall remain subject, for the purpose of this Regulation, to the control of the Port Health ~~Medical~~ officer; and the infected person shall not be removed from or leave the vessel ~~ship~~, except with the consent, in writing, of the Port Health ~~Medical~~ officer.

14. Any person certified by the Port Health ~~Medical~~ officer to be suffering from illness which such officer suspects may prove to be plague may either be detained on board the vessel ~~ship~~ for any period not exceeding four ~~two~~ days, or may be taken to some hospital, observa-

Either immediately or at any time within the said period ...four days, camp or ward or other suitable place appointed for that purpose by the Sanitary Authority, and detained there, for a period of eight ~~ten~~ days in order that it may be ascertained whether the illness is or is not plague.

Any such person who, while so detained, shall be certified by ~~the Senior~~ a Competent Medical Officer to be suffering from plague, shall be dealt with as provided by Regulation 13.

15. The Port ~~Medical~~ Health officer shall in the case of every ~~ship~~ vessel certified to be infected, give such directions and take such steps as may appear to him to be necessary for preventing the spread of infection, and the master of the said ~~ship~~ vessel shall forthwith carry into execution such directions as shall be so given to him.

16. In the event of any death from plague on board such ~~ship~~ vessel while detained under Regulation 10, the Master shall, as directed by the Sanitary Authority, or the Port ~~Medical~~ Health officer, either cause the dead body to be taken out to sea and committed to the deep, properly loaded to prevent its rising, or shall deliver it into the charge of the ~~Said~~ Sanitary authority for disposal, if ~~[illegible]~~ the former procedure be not in accordance with caste or race customs.

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that may have been soiled with plague discharges to be destroyed; and the clothin bedding, and other articles of personal us likely to retain infection, which have be used by any person who ~~may~~ has ~~have~~ suff from plague on board such ship/vessel or who, havin left such ~~ship~~ vessel, shall have suffered from plague during the stay of such ~~ship~~ vessel in any port, to be also destroyed; and if the master shall have neglected to do so before the ~~ship~~ vessel arrive in port, he shall forthwith upon the direction of the Sanitary authority or the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer cause the same to be destroyed; and if the said master neglect to comply with such direction within a reasonable time, the Sanitary authority shall cause the same to be carried into execution.

This is rather slipshod English - Perhaps it may be improved
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18. The master shall cause the ~~ship~~ vessel to be disinfected and every article therein, other than those last described, which may probably be infected with plague to be disinfected or destroyed, according to the directions of the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer.

19. Provided facilities exist for obtaining suitable water in the Port, on the requisition of the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer, the master shall, cause all tanks to be completely emptied and ~~[illegible]~~ cleaned and disinfected in such manner as the Port

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~~edical~~ ealth officer may direct.

Any mails or cargo which may be brought by any vessel so arriving shall be landed under such precautions as the Port Health officer may deem necessary to prevent the spread of the disease.

21. It will be the duty of the Port officer to facilitate the conveyance to all ~~vessels~~ detained under Regs 6 & 10 ~~vessels in quarantine~~ of such supplies of provisions, stores or other articles as may be required by those on board. Such supplies will be placed on the boats of the such vessels ~~vessels in quarantine~~, to be subsequently removed by members of their crews.

W. King
Surgeon Lieut Col
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

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PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICE,
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From
Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M.,
PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICER,
Madras,

To
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
Chepak.

SIR,

With reference to the proposals contained in letter, No. 689/3 dated 18th March 1897, from the Sanitary Commissioner which accompanied Marine department Memorandum, No. 209, E, dated 20th March 1897 (Enclosures herewith returned), I have the honor to make the following remarks for the information of Government, viz:—

With respect to definitions
Section III
—Regulations as to shipping—

(1). I think that the definition given in clauses (2) (3) & (4) of section 3 of Indian Ports Act X of 1889 of the terms "Port Officer", "vessel" and "Master" should be substituted for the definition proposed by the Sanitary Commissioner.

(2) —Respecting the hoisting of flags—
It is proposed that flag Q shall be hoisted

oisted on board of an infected ship and that a black flag shall be hoisted elow flag Q under certain conditions, ut as it is proposed that a vessel shall be eemed infected with plague in which here is or has been during the voyage, r during the stay of such vessel in a port in the course of such voyage any case of plague, it would be necessary according to the instructions contained in the concluding part of 1 (a) for the second flag to be displayed. If this is so, whe[illegible] should flag Q be alone shown?

With regard to the "black" flag, I would point out that vessels are not supplied with flags of that colour. I would suggest flag R (the flag used to denote the presence of cholera, small pox or other epidemic disease on board ship) being used instead. Flag Q should be hoisted at the foremasthead instead of being displayed, as proposed, below the ensign where it would not be so distinguishable. No signal is proposed to meet the case of an infected vessel arriving at a port after dark, I therefore, propose that such vessel shall hoist, on coming to an anchor, 1 white light at the foremasthead and 1 Red light at the mainmasthead.

(3) I have no remarks to make regarding the proposals under the heading "Regulations as to detention by Port Officer".

— III. Regulations as to Sanitary authorities —

(4). In para b, the expression "Chief Officer of the Port" is used. The term Port Officer should be Substituted.

I have no further remarks to offer.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
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H. A. Street
Commander, R. I. M. /
Presy: Port Officer

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REGULATIONS AS TO VESSELS.

Definitions.

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In these regulations—

" Vessel " includes anything made for conveyance by water of human beings or of property.

" Port officer " includes any person acting under the authority of Government in charge of Port discipline.

" Master " when used in relation to any vessel means~~, subject to the provisions of any other enactment for the time being in force~~ any person (except a pilot or harbour master) having for the time being the charge or control of the vessel.

" Sanitary authority " means the Collector of the district, and every Municipal Council and Local Board, the area under whose jurisdiction includes or abuts on any part of a customs port; and the jurisdiction of every Sanitary authority shall, for the purposes of these regulations, extend to seaward for a distance of ~~3~~ three miles beyond low water mark on all parts of the coast line bounding the area ordinarily under its jurisdiction. stet

" Port Health officer " includes any duly qualified medical practitioner appointed by a Sanitary authority or by the Local Government to act in the execution of these regulations.

For the purpose of these regulations, every vessel shall be deemed infected with plague in which there is or has been, during the voyage then in progress or presently concluded, or during the stay of such vessel in a port in the course of such a voyage, any case of plague.

I.—Flags to be hoisted by vessels infected with plague.

1. (*a*) The master of every vessel infected with plague shall, when within three miles of the coast of any part of the Madras Presidency, cause to be hoisted at the foremast head the Commercial Code flag Q being a yellow flag, and shall keep the same displayed during the whole time between sun-rise and sun-set. If any person on board such vessel be at the time sick of the plague, the master shall also hoist the Commercial Code flag R below the yellow flag Q. Any such vessel arriving at a port after dark shall hoist on coming to an anchor one white light at the foremast head and one red light at the mainmast head.

(*b*) He shall before arriving at an anchorage free his vessel from bilge water and pass fresh sea water over the parts that have been in contact with such bilge water.

II.—Regulations as to detention by Port officers.

2. If a Port officer on the arrival of any vessel ascertains from the master of such vessel or otherwise has reason to suspect that the vessel is infected with plague, he shall detain such vessel, and order the master forthwith to moor or anchor the same in such position as may be appointed under regulation 6.

3. While such vessel shall be so detained, no person shall leave the same.

4. The Port officer detaining any vessel as aforesaid shall forthwith give notice thereof and of the cause of such detention to the Sanitary authority of the port.

5. Such detention by the Port officer shall cease as soon as the vessel shall have been duly visited and examined by the Port Health officer or, if the vessel shall, upon such examination, be found to be infected with plague, as soon as the same shall be moored or anchored in pursuance of regulations 6 and 10; provided that, if the examination be not commenced within ~~12~~ twelve hours after notice given as aforesaid, the vessel shall, on expiration of the said ~~12~~ twelve hours, be released from detention. In such latter case, the Port officer shall send immediate information to the Sanitary authorities of the port to which the vessel is bound or at which she is next about to call.

III.—Regulations as to Sanitary authorities.

6. Every Sanitary authority within whose jurisdiction a port exists shall, as speedily as practicable, with the approval of the Port officer, fix some place where vessels may be moored or anchored for the purpose of regulation 10; and shall make provision for the reception of plague patients and persons suffering from illness removed under regulations 13 and 14. The place to be fixed as aforesaid, where any vessel may be moored or anchored for the purpose of regulation 10, shall be some place within the jurisdiction of the Sanitary authority, unless the Local Government otherwise orders, in which case the place so fixed shall, for the purposes of ~~this regulation~~, be deemed to be within such jurisdiction.

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7. It shall be the duty of the Port officer on the approach to the port of an infected ~~ship~~ to make the fact known to the Port Health officer who shall forthwith visit and examine the vessel, in regard to which such notice shall have been given, for the purpose of ascertaining whether she is infected with plague.

8. The Port Health officer if he have reason to believe that any vessel which has arrived or is within the jurisdiction of the Sanitary authority, whether examined by the Port officer or not, is infected with plague or has come from a place where plague prevails, shall visit and examine such vessel for the purpose of ascertaining whether she is so infected; and the master of such vessel shall permit the same to be so visited and examined.

9. If the Port Health officer on making such examination as aforesaid, whether under regulation 7 or under regulation 8, be of opinion that the vessel is infected, he shall forthwith give a certificate in duplicate in the following form, or to the like effect, and shall deliver one copy to the master and transmit the other to the Sanitary authority. He shall also give information of the arrival of the vessel to the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

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I hereby certify that I have examined the vessel , of , now lying in the port of (or detained at) and that I find that she is infected with plague.

Port Health officer.

10. The master of any vessel so certified to be infected with plague shall thereupon moor or anchor her at the place fixed for that purpose under regulation 6 where she shall remain until the requirements of these regulations have been duly fulfilled.

11. No person shall leave any such vessel until the examination hereinafter mentioned shall have been made.

12. The Port Health officer shall, as soon as possible after any such vessel has been certified to be infected with plague, examine every person on board the same and in the case of any person suffering from plague, or from any illness which the Port Health officer suspects may prove to be plague, shall certify accordingly ~~and every person who shall not be so certified by him shall be permitted to land immediately on giving to the Port Health officer his name and place of destination stating, where practicable, his address at such place, provided that the Port Health officer may, should he feel doubt as to the trustworthiness of the information given, detain~~ such person on land under regulation 14. A person interrogated shall be bound to answer truly to the best of his knowledge and belief all questions and inquiries put to him by the Port Health officer.

The name and address of all persons permitted to land shall forthwith be given by the Port Health officer to the Sanitary authority, who shall thereupon, if necessary, transmit the same to the Sanitary authority of the district or place, in which ~~the place of destination of such person is situate, whose duty it shall be to keep such person under observation for not less than 10~~ days.

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13. Every person certified by the Port Health officer to be suffering from plague shall be removed, if his condition admit of it, to some isolation hospital or other suitable place appointed for that purpose by the Sanitary authority; and no person so removed shall leave such hospital or place, until the Chief Medical officer present at the spot shall have certified that such person is free from the said disease.

If any person suffering from plague cannot be removed, the vessel shall remain subject, for the purpose of this regulation, to the control of the Port Health officer; and the infected person shall not be removed from or leave the vessel, except with the consent, in writing, of the Port Health officer.

14. Any person certified by the Port Health officer to be suffering from illness, which such officer suspects may prove to be plague, may either be detained on board the vessel for any period not exceeding ~~4~~ days, or may be taken, either immediately or at any time within the said period of ~~4~~ days to some hospital, observation camp, or ward or other suitable place appointed for that purpose by the Sanitary authority, and detained there for a period of ~~8~~ days, in order that it may be ascertained whether the illness is or is not plague.

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Any such person who, while so detained, shall be certified by a competent Medical officer to be suffering from plague, shall be dealt with as provided by regulation 13.

15. The Port Health officer shall, in the case of every vessel certified to be infected, give such directions and take such steps as may appear to him to be necessary for preventing the spread of infection, and the master of the said vessel shall forthwith carry into execution such directions as shall be so given to him.

16. In the event of any death from plague on board such vessel while detained under regulation 10, the master shall, as directed by the Sanitary authority, or the Port Health officer, either cause the dead body to be taken out to sea and committed to the deep properly loaded to prevent its rising, or shall deliver it into the charge of the Sanitary authority for disposal, if the former procedure be not in accordance with caste or race customs.

17. The master shall cause any articles that may have been soiled with plague discharges to be destroyed, and the clothing and bedding, and other articles of personal use likely to retain infection which have been used by any person who has suffered from plague on board such vessel, or who, having left such vessel, shall have suffered from plague during the stay of such vessel in ~~any~~ the port to be also destroyed; and if the master shall have neglected to do so before the vessel arrives in port, he shall forthwith, upon the direction of the Sanitary authority or the Port Health officer, cause the same to be destroyed; and if the said master neglect to comply with such direction within a reasonable time, the Sanitary authority shall cause the same to be carried into execution.

18. The master shall cause the vessel to be disinfected and every article therein, other than those last described which may probably be infected with plague, to be disinfected or destroyed, according to the directions of the Port Health officer.

19. Provided facilities exist for obtaining suitable water in the port, the master shall, on the requisition of the Port Health officer, cause all tanks to be completely emptied and cleaned and disinfected in such manner as the Port Health officer may direct.

20. Any mails or cargo which may be brought by any vessel so arriving shall be landed under such precautions as the Port Health officer may deem necessary to prevent the spread of the disease.

21. It will be the duty of the Port officer to facilitate the conveyance to all vessels detained under regulations 6 and 10 of such supplies of provisions, stores or other articles as may be required by those on board. Such supplies will be placed on the boats of the vessel, to be subsequently removed by members of their crews.

~~22~~ 23. Any person disobeying or contravening any of the foregoing regulations shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of the Indian Penal Code, and shall be liable on conviction to be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees or with both.

22. All expenses incurred by ~~the~~ any Sanitary authority ~~made~~ in carrying out these Regulations shall be defrayed from ~~Local~~ Municipal or District or Taluk funds in such proportions as the District Collector ~~of the District~~ may, subject to the orders of the Local Government, direct.

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No 252 E of 8th April 1897

"Proof" for favour of scrutiny in the Local and Municipal Department, as required by the Hon: Member in the accompanying note of 3/4/97

[illegible] Colonel R E
Secretary to Govt
Marine Dept

To the Local & Mun. Dept with complete file

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The Regulations are I presume issued under the Ep. Dis. Act 1897. If so there shd be a preamble as in the case of other Regns under the same Act. In Reg. 6 it shd be made clear that the accommodn is to be provided at the cost of L. Funds or Mun. funds as the Gov^t^ subject to the orders of Govt may direct.

I see nothing more to note upon from the point of view of this dept. I have made two marginal suggestions

E.K.
10/4/7

Yes – there must be a proper detailed preamble as in the other cases
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Preamble added
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Have added a Regn to this effect.

Unless India replies soon to our telm, please send reminder +

H.S.
12/4/97

+ Reminder issued 14 Apl 97
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No 273 E of 14.4.97

Marine Department.

Telegram.

(Ordinary)

To

Home, Simla.

Early reply solicited my telegram third inquiring if any objection to issue revised quarantine regulations.

14/4/97

M.

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R. 209 E of 20-3-97
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Referred to the Presidency Port Officer ~~Order~~ for any remarks he may have to offer. It is requested that this reference be treated as very urgent.

18/3/97

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20/3/97

The P.P.O.'s original to be returned.

20/3/97

From
The Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

No. 689/S

Dated 18th March 1897.
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Forwarding modified Suggested Regulations as to Ports in Connection with Bubonic Plague

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Regulations as to ~~shipping~~. vessels

Definitions.

In ~~the~~ these regulations,

~~The term~~ "vessel" includes anything made for conveyance by water of human beings or of property

~~The term "Ship" includes vessel or boat.~~

~~The term~~ "Port Officer" includes any person acting under the authority of Government in charge of Port discipline.

~~The term~~ "Master" ~~includes the officer, pilot or other person for the time being in charge or command of the ship.~~ ~~when~~ used in relation to any vessel, means, Subject to the provisions of any other enactment for the time being in force any person (except a pilot or harbour master) having for the time being the charge or control of the vessel.

~~The term~~ "Sanitary Authority" means the Collector of the District, and every Municipal Council and Local Board, the area under whose jurisdiction includes or abuts on any part of a customs port; and the jurisdiction of every Sanitary Authority shall for the purposes of these regulations, extend to seaward for a distance of three miles beyond low water ~~mark~~ mark on all parts of the coast line bounding the area ordinarily under its jurisdiction.

~~The term~~ "Port ~~Medical~~ health Officer" includes any duly qualified Medical practitioner appointed by a sanitary authority or by the Local Government to act in the execution of these regulations.

~~The term~~ "Senior Medical Officer" means the Senoir Medical Officer in Govt. employ within the District or Municipality in which the hospital ~~where~~ isolation is effected under these ~~regulations is situated~~.

For the purposes of these regulations, every ~~ship~~ vessel shall be deemed infected with plague in which there is or has been during the voyage then in progress or presently concluded or during the stay of such ~~ship~~ vessel in a port in the course of such a voyage any case of plague.

I. Flags to be hoisted by ~~ships~~ vessels infected with plague.

1. (a). The Master of every ~~ship~~ vessel infected with plague shall when within three miles of the coast of any part of the ~~Madras~~

Certificate.

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I ~~hereby~~ hereby certify that I have examined the ~~ship~~ vessel ----, of , now lying in the port of (or detained at)and that I find that she is infected with plague.

Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer.

10. The Master of any ~~ship~~ vessel so certified to be infected with plague shall thereupon moor or anchor her at the place fixed for that purpose under Regulation 6 where ~~shall~~ she shall remain until the requirements of these regulations have been duly fulfilled.

11. No person shall leave any such ~~ship~~ vessel until the examination hereinafter mentioned shall have been made.

12. The Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer shall, as soon as possible after any such ~~ship~~ vessel has been certified to be infected with plague, examine every person on board the same and in the case of any person suffering from plague, or from any illness which the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer suspects may prove to be plague, shall certify accordingly; and every person who shall not be so certified by him shall be permitted ~~up~~ to land immediately on giving to the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer his name and place of destination stating, where practicable, his address at such place, provided that the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer may, should he feel doubt as to the trustworthiness of the information given, detain such person on land under regulation 14. A person interrogated shall be bound to answer truly to the best of his knowledge and belief all questions and inquiries put to him by the Port Health Officer.

The ~~nae~~ name and address of all persons permitted to land shall forthwith be given by the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer to the Sanitary Authority, who shall thereupon, if necessary, transmit the same to the Sanitary Authority of the District or place, in which the place of destination of such person is situate, whose duty it shall be to keep such person under observation for not less than 10 days.

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port exists shall, as speedily as practicable, with the approval of the Port Officer, fix some place where ~~ships~~ vessels may be moored or anchored for the purpose of regulation 10; and shall make provision for the reception of plague patients and persons suffering from illness removed under regulations 13 and 14. The place to be fixed as aforesaid, where any ~~ship~~ vessel may be moored or anchored for the purpose of regulation 10 shall be some place within the jurisdiction ofthe Sanitary Auhority, unless the Local Govt. otherwise orders, in which case the place so fixed shall, for the purposes of this regulation, be deemed to be within such jurisdiction.

7. 7. It shall be the duty of the Port Officer on the approach to the port of an infected ~~ship~~ vessel to make the fact known to the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer who shall forthwith visit and ~~an~~ examine the ~~ship~~ vessel, in regard to which such notice shall have been given, for the purpose of ascertaining whether she is infected with plague.

8. The Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer if he have reason to believe that any ~~ship~~ vessel which has arrived or is within the jurisdiction of the Sanitary Authority, whether examined by the Port Officer or not, is infected with plague or has come from a place where plague prevails, shall visit and examine such ~~ship~~ vessel for the purpose of ascertaining whether she is so infected; and the Master of such ~~ship~~ vessel shall permit the same to be so visited and examined.

9. If the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer on making such examination as aforesaid whether under regulation 7 or under regulation 8 be of opinin that the ~~ship~~ vessel is infected, he shall forthwith give a certificate in duplicate in the following form, or to the like effect and shall deliver one copy to the Master and transmit the other to the Sanitary authority. He shall also give information of the arrival of the ~~ship~~ vessel to the Sanitary Commissioner for Ma

16. In the event of any death from plague on board such ~~ship~~ vessel while detained under regulation 10, the Master shall, as directed by the Sanitary Authority, or the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer, either cause the dead body to be taken out to sea and committed to the deep properly loaded to prevent its rising, or shall deliver it into the charge of the Sanitary Authority for disposal, if the former procedure be not in accordance with caste or race customs.

17. The Master shall cause any articles that may have been soiled with plague discharges to be destroyed, and the clothing and bedding, and other articles of personal use likely to retain infection which have been used by any person who has suffered from plague on board such ~~ship~~ vessel, or who, having left such ~~ship~~ vessel, shall have suffered from plague during the stay of such ~~ship~~ vessel in any port to be also destroyed; and if the Master shall have neglected to do so before the ~~ship~~ vessel arrives in port, he shall forthwith upon the direction of the Sanitary Aurhority or the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer cause the same to be destroyed; and if the said Master neglect to comply with such a direction within a reasonable time, the Sanitary Authority shall cause the same to be carried into execution.

18. The Master shall cause the ~~ship~~ vessel to be disinfected and every article therein, other than those last described which may probably be infected with plague to be disinfected or destroyed, according to the directions of the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer.

19. Provided facilities exist for obtaining suitable water in the port the Master shall on the requisition of the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer cause all tanks to be completely emptied and cleaned and disinfected in such manner as the Port ~~Medical~~ Health Officer ~~any~~ may direct.

20. Any mails or cargo which may be brought by any vessel so arriving shall be landed under such precautions as the Port Health Officer may deem necessary to prevent the spread of the disaase.

21. It will be the duty of the Port Officer to facilitate the conveyance to all ~~ships~~ vessels detained under regulations 6 and 10 of such supplies of provisions, stores or other articles as may be required by those on board. Such supplies will be placed on the