

Masters of vessels proceeding to the Gulfs of Finland and Bothnia should be provided with a copy of the quarantine regulations valid in Sweden, the 4th paragraph of which contains distinct instructions as to the proceedings which ought to be observed.

All vessels coming from ports which have been declared or suspected by the Swedish Government to be infected with an epidemic disease must undergo quarantine at Kånsö, after which they may proceed to Finnish ports, and on their arrival the master must produce a clean Bill of Health from the place of quarantine. Should the port from which the vessel comes be infected with a disease of a non-epidemic character she will be allowed to proceed direct to Finnish ports on the master producing the required Bill of Health.

No vessel shall have more than one Bill of Health, and the master must produce it when required to do so by the Commanders of the guard ships and custom house officials.

For sake of distinction it is advisable that all vessels proceeding from the North Sea to Finnish ports should fly a green flag at the masthead.

Masters who arrive without a Bill of Health drawn up in the regular form are liable to a fine of twenty-five roubles, and the same fine will be inflicted if the master should neglect to have his Bill of Health examined and countersigned at all the intermediate ports which the vessel visits.

British Consulate, Helsingfors,
13th April, 1867.

WM. CAMPBELL.

Foreign Office, April 22, 1867.

(General, No. 7.)

THE Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from Her Majesty's Minister Resident at Hamburg a Notification, of which the following is a translation, respecting the Pilotage at Cuxhaven:—

(Translation.)

Notification respecting the Pilotage at Cuxhaven.

AFTER the conclusion of the trial voyage of the fourth new pilot schooner, it will at once take up its station, and commence cruising from the 1st of May next, from which time the following changes in the pilotage system will take effect:—

1. At least three out of the four pilot schooners shall regularly keep the sea between Borkum and Heligoland, or on the other side of Borkum, in order to supply all inward-bound vessels with pilots. The pilot schooner lying in the harbour shall put to sea as soon as there is a sufficient number of pilots at disposal.

2. The pilotage dues for the cruisers will be reduced to:—

11 marks currency per Hamburg foot draught of water for the winter season, from October 1st to March 31st, and 7 marks currency per Hamburg foot draught of water for the summer season, from April 1st to September 30th.

Vessels drawing less than ten feet will be charged for ten feet.

3. A discharge of the pilots at Cuxhaven will not hereafter take place, but the pilots are bound

to bring vessels up to the Bösch Station, or Gluckstadt, for the fixed pilotage money.

4. In case, however, that the shipmaster discharges the pilot at Cuxhaven, then he shall pay only 9 or 6 marks per foot respectively as pilotage money, in case he remains there, or his ship is not liable to take a pilot.

5. The pilots are bound to take ships to Bremerhaven, if necessary, for the same rates as to Cuxhaven.

6. If tug boats take a pilot, the charge to them will be 30 marks for twenty-four hours, to and fro, in winter, and 20 marks in summer. The pilot is bound to be on duty for the whole number of hours mentioned. For every twelve hours and less beyond that time, the half of the above dues are to be paid in addition.

Notwithstanding the foregoing alterations, the old regulations by which those ships which have taken no cruiser pilot have to take one at Cuxhaven remain unchanged.

Hamburg, April 10, 1867.

THE DEPUTATION FOR TRADE AND NAVIGATION.

War Office, April 23, 1867.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to make and ordain a Special Statute of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, for appointing General William Thomas Knollys, Comptroller and Treasurer of the Household of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, to be an Extra Member of the Civil Division of the Second Class, or Knights Commanders of the said Most Honourable Order.

Foreign Office, April 17, 1867.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint George Strachey, Esq., late Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Buenos Ayres, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Copenhagen.

Foreign Office, April 18, 1867.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of M. Victor Place as Consul-General at Calcutta for His Majesty the Emperor of the French.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. John L. Armitage as Consul at Colombo for His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Don Alfredo Pascual Colomer as Vice-Consul at Quebec for Her Majesty the Queen of Spain.

Foreign Office, April 20, 1867.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Ferdinand Schott as Consul at Gibraltar for His Majesty the King of Bavaria.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Don Manuel Contreras y Crooke as Vice-Consul at Halifax, Nova Scotia, for Her Majesty the Queen of Spain.