

strict conformity with the instructions thereon. These forms may be obtained at the Chief Accountant's Office, or at the Transfer Offices, Bank of England, or at any of their Branches.

STOCK CERTIFICATES.

Subject to the conditions as to Dividends and dates of conversion set forth above as applicable to the respective Three per Cent. Annuities to be converted, a holder of Stock Certificates to bearer of Three per Cent. Annuities may, on surrender thereof, with the undue coupons, at the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England, receive for every £100 of such Annuities either £102 of Two Pounds Fifteen Shillings per Cent Annuities, or £108 of Two Pounds Ten Shillings per Cent. Annuities, as he may elect. At his option the new Annuities will be inscribed (free of charge) in his name or in that of his nominee, or he will receive Stock Certificates to bearer (free of charge) in multiples of £50 for the £2 10s. per cent. Annuities, and in multiples of £100 for the £2 15s. per Cent. Annuities, and the balance in such inscribed Annuities.

Treasury Chambers,
August 7, 1884.

GENERAL ORDER of the Local Government Board:—Cholera Regulations.—(Rags.)

To all Port Sanitary Authorities;—

To all Urban and Rural Sanitary Authorities;—

To all Officers of Customs;—

To all Medical Officers of Health of the Sanitary Authorities aforesaid;—

To all Masters of Ships;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS Cholera is now prevalent in certain parts of France, and it is expedient that regulations should be made with reference to Ships having on board bales of Rags from that country:

Now therefore, We, the Local Government Board, do, by this Our Order, and in exercise of the power conferred on Us by Section 130 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and every other power enabling Us in this behalf, make the following regulations, and declare that they shall be enforced and executed by the Authority or Authorities hereinafter specified:—

ART. 1. In this Order—

The term "Sanitary Authority" means Port Sanitary Authority, Urban Sanitary Authority, or Rural Sanitary Authority;

The term "Ship" includes vessel or boat;

The term "Officer of Customs" includes any person acting under the authority of the Commissioner of Customs;

The term "Master" includes the officer or person for the time being in charge or command of a ship.

ART. 2. From and after the date of this Order, and until the fifteenth day of September next, no rags from France shall be delivered overside, except for the purpose of export, nor landed in any port or place in England or Wales.

Provided that nothing in this Article shall be deemed to prohibit the delivery overside or landing of any rags which may have been previously proved to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Authority into whose jurisdiction or district the same may be brought, or any officer duly authorised by the Sanitary Authority for that purpose, and certified accordingly by such Authority or Officer, not to have come either directly or indirectly from any place where Cholera has occurred during the present year.

ART. 3. If any rags shall be delivered overside

or landed in contravention of this Order, they shall, unless forthwith exported, be destroyed by the person having control over the same, with such precautions as may be directed by the Medical Officer of Health of the Sanitary Authority within whose jurisdiction or district the same may be found.

ART. 4. All masters of vessels, consignees, and other persons having control of any rags prohibited under this Order from being delivered overside, except for the purpose of export, or landed, are required to obey these regulations.

ART. 5. All Officers of Customs are empowered to prevent the delivery overside or landing of rags in contravention of this Order.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Sanitary Authority to take proceedings against masters of ships, consignees, or other persons having control over any rags, who shall wilfully neglect or refuse to obey or carry out, or shall obstruct the execution of any of these regulations.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this eighth day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.



L. S.

Charles W. Dilke,
President.

Hugh Owen, Secretary.

NOTICE.—The Public Health Act, 1875, provides by Section 130 that any person wilfully neglecting, or refusing to obey or carry out, or obstructing the execution of any regulation made under that Section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *Fifty Pounds*.

Civil Service Commission, August 8, 1884.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that the following Regulations have been approved by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, viz:—

SPECIAL REGULATIONS (Supplementary to the General Regulations issued 8th April, 1872, and amended by subsequent notices in the London Gazette,) respecting Open Competitive Examinations for the situations of Draughtsman in the Department of the Director of Engineering and Architectural Works in the Admiralty, at the Outports, and of Assistant to Surveyors in the Office of Her Majesty's Works, &c.

I. The limits of age for these situations are 24 and 30 for the situation in the Admiralty, and 21 and 30 for the situation in the Office of Works. Candidates must be of the prescribed age on the first day of the competitive examination.

II. Candidates will be required to show what preliminary training or technical education they have undergone to qualify themselves for a situation of this nature. To be qualified for the situation in the Admiralty they must have served for at least five years, and for the situation in the Office of Works, for at least four years, in a public or private office under an Architect or Surveyor, and must show that they have profited by that training. Evidence on this point must be sent in at such times and in such manner as the Civil Service Commissioners may appoint. If it prove *prima facie* satisfactory, the Candidate will be admitted to examination, subject to such further inquiry as may be necessary.

III. The examination will consist of two parts, and will be in the following subjects, viz:—

PART I.—*Preliminary.*

1. Handwriting.