

the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram, from Her Majesty's Representative at Cyprus, containing the following information respecting quarantine, viz.:—"Five days against arrivals from Danube, Roumanian, and Austro-Hungarian ports."

(H. 7527.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, October 12, 1892.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram, from Her Majesty's Representative at Gibraltar, reporting that twenty-one days' quarantine is imposed on arrivals from Marseilles from date of sailing.

(H. 7550.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, October 12, 1892.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the following Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Cyprus, viz.:—"British ports released from quarantine, medical inspection imposed. Quarantine on arrivals from Montenegro and southern shore Black Sea. Trebizond to Ordu reduced to five days."

(H. 7551.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, October 12, 1892.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, from Her Majesty's Representative at Stockholm, forwarding the following Decree respecting the importation of shoddy:—

His Majesty's gracious notification regulating the importation of artificial wool or shoddy.

We, Oscar, &c., make known that, in consequence of the occurrence of cholera in various countries, we, upon the advice of our Board of Health and Board of Trade, are pleased to decree as follows regarding the importation of artificial wool or shoddy:—

ART. 1. Artificial wool, or so-called shoddy, may only be imported into this kingdom on condition that it comes by sea to the town of its destination, and that its consignee, before its disembarkation, exhibits to the Customs Officers a certificate signed by the Town Sanitary Commission to the effect that the consignee has at his disposal a warehouse situated in the town where he can store the merchandize. This warehouse must have been inspected by the Sanitary Commission and approved for the purpose indicated.

ART. 2. Every package of the merchandize shall, before disembarkation, be carefully painted or sprinkled outside with a suitable disinfecting liquid. Immediately after disembarkation the packages shall be conveyed, under Customs supervision, to the above-named warehouse, and there be locked in with two different locks. The key of one of these locks shall be taken charge of by the overseer, who shall be named by the Sanitary Commission, as explained lower down in Article 3.

ART. 3. Before the owner can dispose freely of the merchandize, the latter, together with the covering in which it came packed, shall be disinfected on the spot.

This shall be done as follows:—

The merchandize properly unpacked and spread out, as also its packing, in a room specially set part and examined and approved by the Sanitary Commission, shall be exposed to a jet of steam for 15 minutes at a temperature of at least 90 Celsius, or for 30 minutes at a temperature of at least 100 Celsius, care being taken that the thermometer

on which the temperature is noted be placed sufficiently far from the jet of steam, and not higher up than 12 inches from the floor.

ART. 4. The Sanitary Commission must name some suitable resident person to supervise the proper carrying out of the disinfection, under Article 2, for which purpose he shall be invited by the owner of the goods to be present at their disembarkation, and this person shall likewise see to the proper carrying out of the disinfection prescribed in Article 3, and when the latter is done he shall give to the owner, on delivery of the merchandize, a certificate that it has been properly disinfected.

ART. 5. The Sanitary Commission must also make such regulations as may prevent the persons who have to touch the merchandize, before its disinfection, from being themselves infected with cholera.

ART. 6. All expenses arising from the execution of the foregoing regulations shall be defrayed by the owner of the goods.

ART. 7. If the owner of a factory, situated in some other town than that of importation, and requiring shoddy for manufacture, should petition for permission to warehouse and disinfect it at the factory instead of at the port of arrival, we will, on special application being made, take the question into consideration.

With regard to the regulations above set forth and designed to prevent the introduction of cholera into the kingdom through the import of shoddy, we do also decree that vessels shall not be made to undergo quarantine, solely on account of their carrying shoddy, when they have arrived at one of the places of observation in accordance with the decree of August 5 last, nor shall vessels, when arriving at a place of quarantine, undergo cleansing or disinfection in connection with the shoddy on board, unless indeed the medical officer considers that the particular circumstances of the case make it appear probable that the shoddy would convey cholera infection.

Let all concerned obediently submit to the above.

Palace of Stockholm, September 23, 1892.

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(H. 7552.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, October 12, 1892.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Bagota, viz.:—"All ports open to arrivals from England and United States."

(H. 7553.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, October 12, 1892.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following Telegram, from Her Majesty's Representative at Constantinople, viz.:—"Ten days imposed on arrivals from Marseilles and other Mediterranean ports of France having passengers on board, and five days on vessels without passengers."

(H. 7556.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, October 12, 1892.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, from Her Majesty's Representative at Madrid, reporting that arrivals from Marseilles, whatever may be the bill of health they bring, provided they have left that port after 9th instant,