

tion, hereby for the purpose of the abovementioned enactment, and so far only as the same relates to England and Wales, order as follows:—

1. The Order of the Secretary of State, dated 20th February, 1892, is hereby revoked.

2. Between the date of this Order and the 1st of September, 1894, the Order of the Secretary of State, dated 15th February, 1879, shall continue to be in force.

3. From and after the 1st day of September, 1894, the Order of the Secretary of State, dated 15th February, 1879, shall be revoked, and instead thereof the following provisions shall take effect, that is to say:—

(a.) The standard of proficiency for the purpose of a certificate of proficiency to be given any child shall be Standard No. 5, as fixed by the Code of 1893, of reading, writing, and arithmetic, or any higher standard which may be attained by the child.

Certificates of proficiency may be granted by the persons prescribed by Articles 3-8 and 30 of the Code of 1893.

(b.) The standard of previous due attendance at a certified efficient school for the purpose of a certificate of previous due attendance shall in the case of any child be 250 attendances (after such child has attained five years of age) in not more than two schools during each year for five years, whether consecutive or not.

Certificates of previous due attendance at school may be granted by the persons prescribed by Sections 10, 11, and 12 of the Regulations of the Education Department, dated 27th February, 1893.

H. H. Asquith,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office, Whitehall,
August 7, 1893.

Approved by Education Department,
G. W. Kekewich, Secretary.

GENERAL ORDER of the Local Government Board prescribing Cholera Regulations.—Bedding and Clothing from France, from certain Ports on the Baltic and on the North Sea, and from Ports on the Black Sea and Sea of Azov, and other Ports of Turkey in Asia.

To all Port Sanitary Authorities;—

To all Urban and Rural Sanitary Authorities;—

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

To all Officers of Customs;—

To all Masters of Ships;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS We, the Local Government Board, by Orders dated the 11th day of July, 1892, the 13th day of July, 1892, and the 11th day of August, 1892, and the 14th day of December, 1892, made certain Regulations with reference to ships from France, or from any foreign port in Europe north of Dunkirk other than ports of Sweden, Norway, and Denmark, or from any Port on the Black Sea or Sea of Azov, whether in Russia, Roumania, Bulgaria, or Turkey, or from any other Port of Turkey in Asia, having on board bales of rags, or dirty bedding, or disused or filthy clothing;

And whereas it is expedient that the said Regulations should be revoked, and that the Regulations herein contained should be substituted therefor:

Now therefore, We, the Local Government

Board by this Our Order, revoke the Regulations contained in the said Orders dated the eleventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, the thirteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, the eleventh day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and the fourteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two:

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs have signified their consent to the Regulations herein contained so far as the same apply to the Officers of Customs:

Now therefore, We do, by this Our Order, and in exercise of the power conferred on Us by Section 130 of the Public Health Act, 1875, by the Public Health Act, 1889, and by Section 113 of the Public Health (London) Act, 1891, and of 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:—

ARTICLE 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 Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs;

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

The term "Bedding" and "Clothing" shall include such articles when torn up, but shall not include rags packed in bales and imported as merchandise.

ARTICLE 2.—From and after the ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, and until We shall, by Order, otherwise direct, no dirty bedding, or disused or filthy clothing, whether belonging to emigrants or otherwise, from France or from any foreign port in Europe north of Dunkirk other than ports of Sweden, Norway, and Denmark, or from any port on the Black Sea or Sea of Azov, whether in Russia, Roumania, Bulgaria, or Turkey, or from any other Port of Turkey in Asia, shall be delivered overside, except for the purpose of disinfection or destruction, nor landed in any port or place in England or Wales, except for the purpose of disinfection or destruction.

ARTICLE 3.—Any such bedding or clothing delivered overside or landed for the purpose of disinfection shall not be taken out of the custody of the Officers of Customs until the same shall have been disinfected by and at the cost of the person having control over the same, by means of steam under pressure in such manner as to secure the exposure of every part of every article, to a temperature of not less than 212° Fahrenheit, nor until the Medical Officer of Health shall have given a Certificate to an Officer of Customs as to such disinfection, which Certificate shall be in the following form:—

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" I hereby certify that the [bedding or clothing] delivered overside or landed at this Port from the ship [name of ship] of or from [port of sailing], has been disinfected at this Port in accordance with the provisions of Article 3 of the Order of the Local Government Board dated the 5th August, 1893.

" (Signed)

" Medical Officer of Health.

" Date 1893 ."