

Ambassador at this Court enclosing the following copy of a Circular respecting quarantine, issued by the Royal Maritime Authorities at Trieste, viz. :—

No. 5886.

Circular of the Imperial Royal Maritime Government to all Officers and Functionaries of Harbour and their Dependencies.

By an Order of June 10, 1896, from the Ministries of the Interior, of Trade, and of Finance, in agreement with the Hungarian Government, it is determined, that, for fear of the introduction of cholera from Egypt, there is prohibited from that country the importation and transit of such goods as are mentioned in one and two of the Order of the 3rd of June, 1896, with regard to European and Asiatic Turkey (circular of the 8th of June, 1896, No. 5703), sent out with the Order of the 31st of December, 1893, and contained in the Government Circular of the 4th of January, 1894, No. 117.

This Order comes into force on the day upon which it is communicated to the Custom Officials to whom it is addressed, together with the various officers of maritime sanitation.

This is sent to you for your knowledge and conduct.

Trieste, June 12, 1896.

The President,  
BECKER.

(S. 1895.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),  
London, July 7, 1896.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following copy of a Notice issued by Her Majesty's Representative at Tokio, respecting the Medical Inspection Regulations in Japan, viz. :—

Notification.

THE undersigned, Her Britannic Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary in Japan, hereby makes known to British subjects resident in or resorting to Japan, that he has received a Note from the Japanese Government, to the effect that, owing to the outbreak of pest at Anping, in Formosa, it has been found necessary to enforce medical inspection in accordance with the Imperial Ordinance No. 567, May, 1894, against vessels arriving from all ports in Formosa and Pescadores.

The places at which such medical inspection is to be carried out are the same as stated in the notifications issued by the undersigned on 6th April last, and on 9th May last.\*

ERNEST SATOW.

Her Britannic Majesty's Legation,  
May 21, 1896.

\* See London Gazette of 12th May and 26th June.

(S. 1903.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),  
London, July 7, 1896.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Consul-General for Russia, the following copy of a Circular relating to the importation of rags into that country, viz. :—

Circular No. 7197, from the Department of Customs.

Dated St. Petersburg, April 1, 1896.

The Department of Customs has ascertained that the various custom-houses on the occasions when rags are imported from abroad accompanied by a certificate of disinfection also demand a certificate as to the non-infection of the locality of the origin of the said merchandise. Taking into consideration that, according to Section 8 of the

Circular of the Medical Department of the 5th September, 1893, No. 1475, the rags can be imported from abroad without any impediment only when they are disinfected, and that in proof of the same it is necessary to produce an official certificate of the authorities from the place of export to the effect that the disinfection really took place; in the contrary case they must be sent for disinfection to those frontier points where there are in existence means for disinfection. The exception to this rule is only allowed in such cases when the factories or stores receiving the rags are situated near the frontier and possess the means for disinfection.

Therefore the Department of Customs informs the custom-houses for due fulfilment that at the time of the clearing of the rags it is necessary to guide themselves by the above stated Order of the Ministry of the Interior, and that their demand of a certificate of non-infection from the place of origin of the rags, besides the certificate of disinfection of the rags, cannot be sustained, as the Ministry of the Interior informs all concerned by means of publications in the Government Messenger of all countries which are infected with contagious diseases.

All previous Orders relating to the importation of rags, which are not in accordance with this circular, must be considered as cancelled.

Sec. 8. The rags can be imported from abroad without any hindrance in a disinfected state only, if otherwise they must be sent for disinfection to those frontier points where means for disinfection exist, the exception to this is only allowed in such cases where the manufactories or works receiving the rags are situated near the frontier and possess the means for disinfection.

Admiralty, 3rd July, 1896.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 22nd February, 1870, 30th April, 1877, and 4th July, 1895—  
Fleet Engineer Ivie Alexander Couper has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Inspector of Machinery.  
Dated 26th June, 1896.

Royal Marine Artillery.

Captain Walter James Gaitskell to be Major, vice Milne, retired. Dated 30th June, 1896.

Admiralty, 4th July, 1896.

Clerk Frank William Walker has been promoted to the rank of Assistant-Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 22nd June, 1896.

Admiralty, 6th July, 1896.

Clerk John Dickonson Holmes has been promoted to the rank of Assistant-Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 3rd July, 1896.

War Office, 7th July, 1896.

MILITIA.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

The *Fife Artillery (Southern Division)*, The undermentioned Second Lieutenants to be Lieutenants :—

G. C. Preston. Dated 29th June, 1896.

H. B. C. Fraser. Dated 29th June, 1896.

R. D. M. Keate. Dated 29th June, 1896.

The *Duke of Connaught's Own Sligo Artillery (Southern Division)*, Second Lieutenant D. D. R. H. Heather to be Lieutenant. Dated 8th July, 1896.

William Chambers Pomeroy Russell, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 28th June, 1896.