Paragraph No. 2.—Except in any case to which paragraph No. 3 relates, the Regulations shall, with respect to foreign meat delivered or landed at a place within the area of the Stepney Councit, be executed and enforced by the Port Sanitary Authority, by the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District, and by any other officer of the Port Sanitary Authority as if in every case in which in pursuance of this paragraph, the Regulations are required to be so executed and enforced, there were added to the Regulations the following provisions, that is to say:—

(i.) Where, in pursuance of Article III of the Regulations as applicable to the Port Sanitary District, the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District has been informed by the Officer of Customs to the effect of a notice with respect to any foreign meat delivered or landed at a place within the area of the Stepney Council, the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District shall forthwith, by a notice in writing given to the Medical Officer of Health for the area of the Stepney Council, state the effect of the information which the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District has received from the Officer of Customs, and shall in the notice, set forth the description of the meat to which that information relates, and such other details as will suffice to identify the particular consignment and the place of delivery or of landing.

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(ii.) The Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District shall keep in his custody, for a period of not less than twelve months, every such copy of a notice or certificate as the Medical Officer of Health for the area of the Stepney Council is required to give to the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District in pursuance of Article III of the Regulations, as applicable to the area of the Stepney Council, by virtue of sub-

division (ii.) of paragraph No. 1. Paragraph No. 3.—(i.) In every case in which the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District, in pursuance of the Regulations, as applicable to the Port Sanitary District, has examined any foreign meat upon a ship within the Port Sanitary District, and has, by a notice in writing, forbidden the removal of the meat for any purpose other than exportation, the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District may, by a notice in writing of which he shall give one copy to the importer, one copy to the Stepney Council, and one copy to the Port Sanitary Authority, declare that, by reason of urgency, or other exceptional circumstances, it is, in the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District, necessary that the Regulations shall apply to all subsequent procedure in the case as if the area of the Stepney Council formed part of the Port Sanitary District.

From and after any such declaration by the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District, the Regulations shall have effect and shall be enforced and executed, and all powers and duties conferred or imposed by the Regulations upon any Justice, upon the Sanitary Authority, upon any officer of the Sanitary Authority, and upon any other person shall be exercised and discharged, and the Regulations shall in all other respects apply in relation to the case as if the area of the Stepney Council formed part of the Port Sanitary District.

(ii.) Every notice given by the Medical Officer of Health for the Port Sanitary District, in pursuance of this paragraph, shall set forth the

description of the foreign meat to which the notice relates, and such other details as will suffice to identify the particular consignment; and the notice may be given by properly addressing, prepaying, and posting a letter containing the notice.

Paragraph No. 4.—All expenses incurred by the Port Sanitary Authority for any purpose of Paragraph No. 2 or of Paragraph No. 3 shall be paid out of the funds applicable towards defraying any other expenses of the Port Sanitary Authority.

Paragraph No. 5.—Except so far as is otherwise provided by or is necessary for a purpose of any preceding paragraph, nothing in the Regulations, as applicable to the Port Sanitary District, shall have effect in relation to the area of the Stepney Council.

And we do hereby further require the Stepney Council to cause this Order to be published in the London Gazette.

This Order may be cited as "The Stepney (Foreign Meat Regulations) Order, 1908"; and this Order and the Regulations, as having effect subject to the adaptations and modifications made by this Order, shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local
Government Board, this twentyninth day of December, in the year
one thousand nine hundred and
eight.

John Burns,

President.

S. B. Provis, Secretary.

GEO. W. CLARKE, Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices, 15, Great Alie-street, Whitechapel, E. 1st January, 1909.

> Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, January 7, 1909.

> > H. 121.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Notice, dated December 22nd, issued by the Swedish Board of Commerce declaring the Russian Government of Astrakhan and the Chinese harbour of Swatow free from plague.

> Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, January 7, 1909.

> > H. 176.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated January 5th, from His Majesty's Representative at Constantinople:—Medical inspection and disinfection imposed against Beirut where five cases of plague have occurred. Detention of ship not to exceed forty-eight hours.