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PART I.

Notification.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 22nd July 1895.

No. 3034.—In exercise of the power conferred by Act I of 1870, the following Rules for Quarantine against Cholera have been made by the Government of Bombay, with the previous sanction of the Governor General in Council: they have effect from the 15th instant in the Ports of Aden, Perim and the Somali Coast as a temporary measure:—

- I.—The Commander of every vessel, including buggalows or other native craft, arriving from Arabian Ports of the Red Sea shall, before entering the harbour, indicate by signal the port from which such vessel has come.
- II.—Such Commander shall not, except as hereinafter provided, allow any communication, either with the pilot boat, except orally, or with the shore, or with any other vessel or boat in the harbour.
- III.—Immediately on arrival the Commander shall cause the letter R of the Commercial Signal Code to be hoisted, and shall keep the said flag flying during his stay in port or until authorized by the Health Officer to haul it down. If communication with the shore is not desired, the vessel shall anchor at such place as may be pointed out by the Port authorities, having regard to the season of the year. If communication with the shore is desired, the Health Officer shall go alongside the vessel, and, after all necessary enquiries, shall direct the Commander to take the vessel to the quarantine anchorage duly appointed and notified in that behalf by the Resident, there to remain for a period of seven days from the date of arrival, or for the shorter period prescribed in Rule IV, and undergo disinfection, which should apply as well to crew, passengers, effects, and susceptible goods.

IV.—If the Health Officer of the Port has sufficient evidence that no cases of a suspicious nature have taken place on board during the voyage, and if the vessel is besides in good hygienic condition, the duration of the quarantine will be diminished according to the following scale:—

After eight days of voyage	...	...	...	six days of quarantine.
Do. nine do.	...	...	...	five do.
Do. ten do.	...	...	...	four do.
Do. eleven do.	...	...	...	three do.
Do. twelve do.	...	...	...	two do.
Do. thirteen do.	...	and upwards	...	twenty-four hours of quarantine.

V.—If during the period a vessel is at the quarantine anchorage aforesaid any case or cases of cholera should occur on board, the said vessel shall remain in quarantine for a period of seven days from the date of the last case occurring, and be subject to all the prohibitions provided for in Rule III.

VI.—When any vessel has been placed in quarantine as aforesaid, the Health Officer may direct the removal of so many of the passengers and crew as may not be suffering from illness, and whose services may not be required on board the vessel, to such particular spots as may from time to time be selected by the Resident as places of quarantine, there to remain for a period of seven days. If a case of cholera occurs among such passengers and crew during any such period, they shall remain in a place of quarantine for a period of fifteen days from the date of the occurrence of the last case of such illness.

VII.—Any mails or cargo which may be brought by any vessel so arriving shall be landed under such precautions as the Health Officer may deem necessary to prevent the spread of the disease.

VIII.—It will be the duty of the Port Officer to facilitate the conveyance to all vessels in quarantine of such supplies of provisions, stores and other articles as may be required by those on board. Such supplies will be placed on the boats of the vessels in quarantine to be subsequently removed by members of their crews.

IX.—All vessels arriving at Aden, Perim and the Somali Coast which may have communicated with vessels coming from Arabian Ports of the Red Sea shall be subjected to the same quarantine as vessels arriving at Aden, Perim and the Somali Coast from Arabian Ports of the Red Sea.

X.—All vessels which have undergone quarantine in the manner above prescribed should have the fact clearly stated on their Bills of Health.

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.