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Our commercial readers will find in the following order of the British Privy Council, the most recent information on a subject at this season of great importance. The exemption of England, for a long period from Plague, is probably owing to the superior excellence of her QUARANTINE REGULATIONS. We recommend an attentive perusal of them to all Boards of Health.

At the Court at St. James, the 20th day of July, 1800—PRESENT,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an act passed in the present session of Parliament, intitled, "An act for excluding Lazaret on Chetney Hill in the county of Kent, and for reducing into one act the laws relating to quarantine, and for making further provisions therein," it is among other things enacted, that from and after the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred, all ships and vessels arriving, and all persons, goods and merchandizes whatsoever, coming or imported into any port or place within Great-Britain, or the isles of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, or Man, from any place from whence his majesty, his heirs or successors, by and with the advice and consent of his or their Privy Council, shall judge it probable that the Plague or other infectious disease or distemper, which his majesty, with the advice of his Privy Council, shall from time to time declare to be of the nature of the Plague, may be brought, shall be liable and obliged to undergo their quarantine in such place or places, for such time, and in such manner, as shall, from time to time be directed by his majesty, his heirs, or successors, by his or their order or orders of council, and notified by proclamation, or published in the London Gazette; and that until such ships, vessels, persons, goods, and merchandizes shall have respectively performed, and shall be duly discharged from such quarantine, no such person, goods, or merchandizes, or any of them, shall come or be brought on shore, or go, or be put out board any other ship or vessel in any place within his majesty's dominions, unless in such manner, and in such cases, and by such license as shall be directed or permitted by such order or orders made by his majesty, his heirs, or successors in council as aforesaid; and that all such ships and vessels, and the persons or goods coming or imported in, or going, or being put on board the same, and all ships, vessels, boats and persons receiving any goods or persons out of the same, shall be subject to such orders, rules and directions concerning quarantine, and the prevention of infection, as shall be made by his majesty, his heirs and successors, by and with the advice of his Privy Council, and notified by his royal proclamation, or published in the London Gazette, under such pains and penalties as are inflicted by the said act.

And whereas his majesty has judged it expedient to make regulations with respect to the performance of quarantine, in addition to those established in the said above recited act, and doth judge it probable that the infection of the plague may be brought into this kingdom by ships or vessels coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, with or without clean bills of Health; and also by the importation into this kingdom of certain goods, wares, and merchandizes, the growth, produce, or manufacture of Turkey, or of any place in Africa within the Streights of Gibraltar, or in the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, from any port or place in Holland, or from any port or place whatever where there is not a regular establishment for the performance of quarantine, his majesty is hereby pleased, by and with the advice of his Privy council, to order, and it is hereby ordered.

I. That all ships and vessels (not having the Plague or other infectious disease or distemper, which shall, by his majesty, with the advice of his Privy council, have been declared to be of the nature of the plague, actually on board,) coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, with clean bills of health; and all ships and vessels whatsoever having on board cotton-wool, (except ships and vessels coming directly from the East-Indies, or from the continent of America, or the West-Indies, loaded in the same with that commodity, being the produce of those parts,) or any of the goods, wares, or merchandizes enumerated in the first clause herein-after stated, being the growth, produce, or manufacture of Turkey, or of any place in Africa within the streights of Gibraltar, or in the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, shall, together with their cargoes, and all persons on board thereof, perform such quarantine for such time, in such manner, and at such places as herein-after directed.

II. And it is hereby further ordered, That all such ships and vessels coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, as shall arrive with clean bills of health, and all persons, goods, wares and merchandizes on board such ships and vessels respectively, shall respectively perform quarantine in the places herein-after appointed, for a term of 10 days.

All such ships or vessels so arriving as last aforesaid, as are or shall be bound to the port of Lond n, or any member or creek thereof, or other place within the fair port, or to the river Thames, or Medway, shall perform quarantine in Standgate creek, such of them as are or shall be bound to the ports of Lynn, Boston, Yarmouth, Ipswich, Hull, Newcastle, or Berwick-upon-Tweed, or any of them, or any member or creek thereof, or other place within the said port respectively, shall perform quarantine in Whitebooth Road, between Hull and Grimsby; such of them as are or shall be bound to the ports of Carlisle and Chester, or any other of them, or any member or creek thereof, or to any other member or creek of the said ports of Carlisle or Chester, or to any other place within the said ports respectively, or to any port of the Isle of Man, shall perform quarantine in a place called Highlake, near Liverpool, at the well end of Highlake; such of them as are or shall be bound to the ports of Milford, Cardiff, Glouscester, Bristol, Bridgewater, or any of them, or any member, or creek of them, or any of them; or to Padstow, or St. Ives, being members of the port of Plymouth, or to Ilfracombe or Barnstaple, being members of the port of Exeter, or to any other place within the said ports of Milford, Cardiff, Glouscester, Bristol, or Bridgewater, or within the said members of the said ports of Plymouth and Exeter, shall perform quarantine in King-road and Portbyte Pill; such of them as are or shall be bound to the ports of Plymouth, Exeter, or Pool, or to Falmouth, or any other of the members or creeks, or other places within the said ports of Plymouth, Exeter, and Pool respectively, except Padstow and St. Ives, members of the said port of Plymouth, and Ilfracombe, and Barnstaple, members of the said port of Exeter, and herein-before mentioned, shall perform quarantine in place called St. Ives Pool, within the mouth of the harbour of Falmouth; such of them as are or shall be bound to the ports of Southampton, Poole, Shoreham, or any of the members or creeks thereof, or any of them, or any other place within the same ports respectively, shall perform quarantine at a place called Motherbank, near Portsmouth; such of them as are or shall be bound to the eastern coast of Scotland, comprehending the ports of Leith, Borrowhouness, Alloa, Dunbar, Kirkaldy, Anstruther, Pittenweem, Dundee, Perthe, Montrose, and Aberdeen, or to any member, creek, or other parts thereof, shall perform quarantine in Inverkeithing bay; such of them as are or shall be bound to the western ports of Scotland, comprehending the ports of port Glasgow, Greenock, Irvine, Campbeltown, Oban, Rathlay, Fort William, Ayr, Port Patrick, Stranraer, and Wigtown, or to any member, creek, or other parts thereof, shall perform quarantine at Lamlash, in the island of Arran; such of them as are or shall be bound to the northern ports of Scotland, comprehending the ports of Invernefs, Zetland, Orkney, Caithness, and Stornaway, or to any member, creek, or other parts thereof, shall perform quarantine in Cromarty bay, in the Murray Firth; such of them as are or shall be bound to the south-west ports of Scotland, comprehending the ports of Dumfries and Kircudbright, or to any member, creek, or other parts thereof, shall perform quarantine at Carlhorn, at the mouth of the river Nith; such of them as are or shall be bound to any place on the coasts of England or Scotland, not within any of the ports or limits herein-before mentioned or described, shall perform quarantine at such place herein-before appointed for performance of quarantine, as shall be nearest to the port or place to which such ships or vessels respectively shall be so bound; such of them as are or shall be bound to the Isle of Jersey, or any part thereof, shall perform quarantine at a certain place on the coast of the island, called Belle Croute, or at some place herein before appointed, for performance of quarantine on the coast of England, and lastly, such of them as are or shall be bound to the islands of Guernsey, Sark, or Alderney, or either of them, or any part of them, or either of them, shall perform quarantine in a place near the island of Guernsey, called the Little Road, or at some place herein before appointed, for performance of quarantine on the coast of England.

III. And it is hereby further ordered, That all goods, wares and merchandizes, imported in any such ships or vessels as aforesaid, shall be opened and aired at the several places herein before respectively appointed, for the performance of quarantine by such ships and vessels respectively, in the manner and for the time herein-after directed, viz.

IV. And it is hereby further ordered, That all such ships and vessels, (not having the plague, or other infectious disease or distemper, which shall have been declared, as aforesaid to be of the nature of the plague, actually on board,) coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic Ocean, as shall not be furnished with clean bills of health, shall perform quarantine in Standgate creek, and to where else; and in case any ship or vessel coming from any of the places before described, not being furnished with a clean bill of health, shall come into any of the out-ports of this kingdom, or to any of the places herein-before appointed officers of the customs at such port or in such islands, or the governor or chief magistrate thereof, shall cause such ship or vessel to depart from more immediately, and proceed to Standgate creek to perform quarantine.

V. And it is hereby further ordered, That on the arrival at Standgate creek of any ship or vessel coming from or through the Mediterranean, or from the West Barbary on the Atlantic ocean, with or without a clean bill of health, the superintendant of quarantine, or in case of his indisposition, or absence, the well respectfully engaged, his assistant, together with the medical attendant, and on the arrival of any such ship or vessel from the places before-mentioned, or any of the ports of this kingdom, or at any of the islands aforesaid, the proper officer of the customs, at the place appointed for the performance of quarantine at such port or place, shall give such ship or vessel in a boat, (keeping to windward,) and shall see the crew and all other persons belonging to or being on board such ship or vessel, mustered on the gangway, and the superintendant of quarantine, or his assistant, or the proper officer of the customs, appointed for the performance of quarantine, shall then and there, in the presence of the crew, put the following questions to the master or other person, having charge of the ship or vessel, who shall answer the same upon oath, viz.

What is the name of the vessel, and from whence does she come?

What is the name of the commander?

Is the bill of health clean or unclean, or suspected? Produce it.

Is the instrument now produced the true and only bill of health, or is there any other on board the vessel? If there is, produce the same.

Has there been any sickness on board in the course of the voyage? If so, of what nature?

Has any person died on board in the course of the voyage? If so, of what disease, and when?

Are all persons now on board in good health?

At what place or places was the cargo taken on board?

Of what does the cargo consist?

VI. And it is hereby further ordered, That the answers to the aforesaid questions shall be taken down in writing, and the superintendant of quarantine, or his assistant, with the advice of the medical attendant at Standgate creek, and, in case of a ship or vessel bound to any of the out-ports or islands aforesaid, the proper officers of the customs at the places appointed, for the performance of quarantine, at such out-ports or places, shall appoint a proper place for the mother, or other person having charge of the ship or vessel, to repair to, who thereupon shall, as soon as possible, after having answered the foregoing questions, repair to such place, carrying with him the log-book, manifest, and all of the ship's papers, all of which shall be delivered to the superintendant of quarantine, or his assistant, at Standgate creek, or to the proper officer of the customs, at the out-ports or islands aforesaid, (as the case may be,) the said log-book, manifest, and papers having been first immersed in Vinegar and Water, and such master, or other person, shall then solemnly make oath to the truth of the contents of such log-book, and that every particular enquiry made of him, and of the crew, after such as possible, and also to the truth of all the other papers to delivered, as well as to the truth of his answers to the following questions, viz. Whether there to be then and there put to him by the superintendant of quarantine, or his assistant, or by such proper officer of the customs as the case shall be, viz.

On what day did you arrive at the place or places where you took in the whole, or any, and what part of the cargo, and on what day did you sail from such place or places; and what part of your cargo was taken in at each place, and when?

What place or places did you touch at during the voyage?

Did the plague or any other contagious distemper prevail in any degree at any of the places at which your cargo was taken on board, or at which you touched? If at any, fay at which, and when?

Did you meet with any British ships or vessels at any of the places you have been at? If you did, fay when, where, and what were the names and destinations of such ships or vessels?

Did you leave any British ships or vessels at any of the ports you have sailed from? If you did, mention their names, and the names of the commanders?

Were such ships loading, were they near their departure, and whither were they bound?

Do you know whether any foreign vessels loading at the port from which you sailed were bound beyond the Streights of Gibraltar? and if so, were they, and whither were they bound?

How long have you been upon the voyage?

Have you spoken to or otherwise had any communication with any vessel or vessels during the voyage? If you have, fay when, where, and the nature of the communication held? Were there any letters, parcels, or other articles delivered or received into your ship or vessel from any ship or vessel met with on the voyage, or until your arrival at the place where you were put upon quarantine by the proper officer of the customs, and the delivery of your papers to such officer; and what were such letters, parcels, or articles?

What were the ships or vessels you spoke to or had communication with, and what were their destinations respectively? and what do you know respecting the state of health on board such ships or vessels?

In the course of your voyage has any of your ship's crew or passengers suffered from illness of any kind? what was the nature of such illness? when did it prevail? how many persons were affected by it? are there any convalescents on board? are all on board at present in good health?

What number of persons, if any, have died on board during the voyage? when and in what part of the voyage did such persons die?