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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

THE following regulations are published for general information.

By His Excellency the Governor's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, June 9, 1897.

E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary.

REGULATIONS made by the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, under the provisions of "The Quarantine and Prevention of Diseases Ordinance, 1897."

- 1. The term "proper authority" in the following regulations shall mean-
 - (a) Wherever there shall be established a Municipality, the Chairman of the Municipal Council, or the Principal Civil Medical Officer, or the Colonial Surgeon of the Province, or the Health Officer of the Municipality, or any officer appointed by the Governor to perform the duties of the proper authority.
 - (b) Wherever there shall be established a Local Board, the Chairman of the Local Board, or the Assistant Government Agent of the District, or the District Judge, or the Police Magistrate, or the Chief Medical Officer resident within the Local Board limits, or any officer appointed by the Governor to perform the duties of the proper authority.
 - (c) Wherever there shall be no Municipality or Local Board established, the Government Agent of the Province, or the Assistant Government Agent of the District, or the Police Magistrate of the division, or the Colonial Surgeon of the Province, or the Chief Medical Officer of the district or place, or any officer appointed by the Governor to perform the duties of the proper authority.

- 2. It shall be lawful for the proper authority to cause persons infected with cholera, smallpox, chickenpox, or other infectious, contagious, or epidemic disease in any house or place hereunder described to be removed to some public hospital or other place provided by Government—
 - (1) In any house or place in which goods are exposed for sale.
 - (2) In any house or place of public resort.
 - (3) In any building in which there are no means of isolating the patients from the other inmates, or in any building where the retention of the patient is likely to prove a source of danger to others.

Provided that it shall be competent for the proper authority, in case the removal of any person so infected in any house or place in which goods are exposed for sale is objected to, and the house or place is not otherwise open to objection, to allow the patient to be retained, on condition, however, that the sale of goods shall not be carried on in such house or place during such time as any person shall remain so infected in such house or place.

Provided further, that it shall be lawful for the proper authority to allow any patient to be removed to any locality which such patient or his or her friends may choose, and to which the medical authorities of the town or place, if any, do not object, instead of to the public hospital or

place provided by Government.

- 3. Except as provided by these regulations, and except as provided by the Ordinance No. 8 of 1866, it shall not be lawful for any person to remove or assist in removing any person suffering from cholera, smallpox, chickenpox, or other infectious, contagious, or epidemic disease from the house or place in which such person shall be to any other house or place, without the sanction in writing of the proper authority.
- 4. It shall be lawful for the proper authority to prohibit the removal from any house or place in which goods are exposed for sale, or from any house or place of public resort, or from any building n which cholera, smallpox, chickenpox, or other infectious, contagious, or epidemic disease may have occurred, of any articles of merchandise or trade, or goods of any kind, until such time as such building or place is declared to be free from infection by the Medical authorities of the town or place in which such building is situated.

Provided that it shall be lawfal for the proper authority to permit any goods from an infected house or place in which goods are exposed for sale, or from any house or place of public resort, or from any building in which cholera, smallpox, chickenpox, or other infectious, contagious, or epidemic disease may have occurred, to be removed to any other locality which the owner or occupier of such building may choose, and to which removal the Medical authorities of the town or place do not

object.

5. It shall be lawful for the proper authority to prohibit the removal for interment of corpses of persons who have died of cholera, smallpox, chickenpox, or other infectious, contagious, or epidemic disease along any particular thoroughfare, and to prescribe the thoroughfares leading to the place of interment along which such corpses shall be carried. Information of such prohibition shall be given by notice in writing under the hand of the proper authority, which shall be posted in two or more conspicuous places in the prohibited thoroughfare and by publication in such other way as may be deemed necessary by such proper authority.