

I. On and after the opening each year of the National Quarantine station (Sapelo Sound), all vessels from infected or suspected latitudes arriving with sickness on board, or having had same during voyage, must be directed by the pilot to proceed to said National Quarantine station.

II. Any vessel arriving at this port bearing the certificate of the National Quarantine Officer, must be brought to anchor at the quarantine station, and there remain until released by the order of the board of health.

III. During the closure of said National Quarantine station, all vessels such as above described, must anchor at the port quarantine station, under personal direction of the quarantine officer.

IV. Vessels from any foreign port direct, or via American ports, with or without sickness on board will, during the entire year, be compelled to anchor and remain at the quarantine station until released by written permit of the quarantine officer.

V. All vessels arriving at this port with sickness on board, or having had same during voyage, will, at all seasons of the year, no matter from what port, either American or foreign, anchor at the quarantine station, and there remain until released by order of the Board of Health.

VI. Vessels from infected or suspected latitudes, will, during the entire year, be required to discharge any and all ballast at the quarantine station, or such other place as may be designated by the health authorities, in the harbor under water; to have bilges and limbers cleaned and sweetened, and from May 1 to November 1st of each year, be subjected to at least two fumigations and such other disinfection as may be necessary, and be detained at least fifteen days.

VII. On and after May 1st, and until November 1st of each year, and longer if the board of health so determine, all coastwise vessels or steamers from latitudes south of Cape Hatteras, other than those by inland route, must anchor at the quarantine station. Steamers and vessels from non-infected or non-suspected ports, will not be detained longer than necessary for the quarantine officer to satisfy himself of their perfect sanitary condition. Vessels from infected or suspected latitudes will have to comply with section VI, be fumigated at least twice and detained at least fifteen days.

VIII. Coastwise steamers and vessels arriving at this port by inland route, from latitudes south of Cape Hatteras, between May 1st and November 1st, and later, if the Board of health so determine, must be inspected and given permit by the quarantine officer, before the landing of either passengers or freight.

IX. From May 1st to November 1st of each year, no vessel from an infected or suspected latitude will be allowed to either lighter or bring cargo of fruit up to the city.

X. Pilots must, in each case, before boarding, make inquiry as to the sanitary condition of vessels; in no case must they board if the vessel has sickness on board, or has had same during voyage; in such cases they must either direct to Sapelo Quarantine station, lead the vessel in, or have their small boat hoisted alongside, clear of the water, and in this way pilot the vessel in.

Dr. H. B. Horibeck, City Registrar and Secretary of the Charleston Board of Health, furnishes the following information concerning the station at the port of Charleston:

The station at Fort Johnson, on James Island, is about two miles east from Charleston in the harbor. The buildings comprise a fever-hospital and pest-house, offices, etc. There is a fine and commodious wharf, also boats for boarding purposes, under care of a quarantine officer, and a guard boat. Service is maintained from May 1st to November 1st every year, to prevent unauthorized communication with the Station. This service is also continued from November to May when necessary. Vessels are inspected at the station in the stream. They are fumigated with sulphurous-acid gas, and disinfected with the bichloride-of-mercury solution. Cargoes of fruit from infected ports are not permitted to go to the city from May 1st to November 1st, and certainly no other cargo until it has been taken out of the ship at the station and fumigated (see quarantine regulations.) Vessels arriving pass within a few hundred yards of vessels detained at quarantine. No vessel from a cholera port is allowed to come in, but is ordered to Sapelo. Should a vessel have either cholera or yellow fever break out at quarantine it would be sent to Sapelo instant, or on the next tide—that is, certainly within twelve hours."

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