

Laws of the United
States affecting
Emigrants.

property which such parents or parent may have had with them, shall be taken in charge by the Commissioners of Emigration, to be by them appropriated for the sole benefit of said orphan children; and said Commissioners shall give, in their annual report to the Legislature, a minute statement of all cases in which property shall come into their possession by virtue of this section, and the disposition made of the same.

Sect. 11. The Board of Health of the city of New York may appoint any physician in their employ, or in that of the Commissioners of Emigration, to act as the agent of the Board of Health in all matters concerning the protection of the city against the introduction of contagious or infectious diseases.

Sect. 12. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of the Marine or other Hospital used for quarantine purposes, to furnish to the Board of Health as often as may be required, a full and correct report of all persons in the said hospital affected with any contagious or infectious disease, and of all such patients as may die or be discharged as cured; such report shall be countersigned by the agent of the Board of Health, and no persons who may be, or have been received as patients affected with contagious or infectious diseases, or under treatment as such, shall be discharged or removed from the Marine or other Hospital used for quarantine purposes without a permit in writing from the health officer.

Sect. 13. The Commissioners of Emigration shall receive into the Marine or other Hospital for quarantine purposes, all alien passengers for whom bonds shall have been given or commutation paid, under the several Acts of this State relating to alien passengers arriving at the port of New York, who shall be affected with any contagious or infectious disease, and sent to such hospital by authority of the health officer. They shall defray the expenses of such patients out of the moneys by them received on account of bonds or commutation. They shall also receive and provide for all other patients or passengers who shall have landed from any vessel at the port of New York, affected with any contagious or infectious disorder, who shall be directed to be so received by the health officer or the Board of Health; they shall be entitled to receive for each person so admitted (other than aliens as above-mentioned) at the rate of three dollars per week for their support and medical care, which shall be at the expense of the owner or consignee of any vessel in which such person shall have arrived, and from which they shall have landed, and no vessel shall be permitted to leave quarantine until such expense shall have been paid, or secured to be paid to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Emigration, or the officer duly authorized by them for such purpose.

Sect. 14. The health officer shall not, by right of office, have any other authority over the Marine Hospital, or medical charge as physician thereof, than as in this Act provided.

Sect. 15. So much of the Act concerning quarantine or regulations in the nature of quarantine at the port of New York, passed 18 May 1846, as requires that any person shall be admitted into the Marine Hospital who shall have paid hospital money during any temporary sickness, within one year after such payment, is hereby repealed.

Sect. 16. So much of the revised statutes in relation to the Marine Hospital and its funds, and the several Acts and amendments thereto, passed 18 April 1843 and 7 May 1843, as authorizes or requires the Health Commissioner to demand or receive hospital money from or on account of any master, mate, sailor or passenger arriving in the port of New York, is hereby repealed.

Sect. 17. There shall be nominated by the Governor, and appointed by him, with the consent of the Senate, a "Physician of Marine Hospital," and such number of assistants, not less than four, to be respectively designated as "Assistant Physician of Marine Hospital," as the Commissioners of Emigration shall from time to time determine to be necessary for the proper care and medical treatment of the persons under their care at the Marine or other Hospital for quarantine purposes. The number of "Assistant Physicians of Marine Hospital," shall not be at any time increased unless the Commissioners of Emigration shall make and file with the Secretary of State a certificate, that in their judgment an increased number should be appointed to meet the actual permanent demand for medical services at such hospital, a copy of which certificate shall be furnished to the Governor of the State; and when any vacancy shall exist in the office of "Physician of Marine Hospital," or "Assistant Physician of Marine Hospital," and the Senate shall not be in session, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment made by the Governor, until the next meeting of the Senate, and the confirmation thereof or the appointment of a successor.

Sect. 18. The physician of Marine Hospital shall have the superintendence and control of, and shall make such regulations for the sanitary treatment of the patients in such Marine or other Hospital for quarantine purposes, as may be found necessary, and prescribe therein the duties of the assistant physicians thereof, and shall take upon himself and assign to such assistants respectively the charge of such portions of such hospital as shall seem to him best adapted to secure the objects and purposes of such institution, and the care and proper medical treatment of the inmates thereof, and the said Commissioners may employ from time to time such additional medical assistants as the temporary wants of such hospital and the inmates thereof shall require.

Sect. 19. Each assistant physician of such Marine or other Hospital for quarantine purposes, shall from time to time, as shall be necessary, select and appoint such and so many nurses