

XXXVI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That every Pilot shall immediately after he shall board any Vessel, inform himself of the place she sailed from, whether any uncommon disease existed there within one month before she sailed, of the state of the public health at each place, and of each place at which such Vessel shall have touched or communicated after sailing ; whether any and how many persons have died on board or have been sick of any uncommon disease ; and if there shall be reason to suspect any danger of infection or contagion, it shall be the duty of the Pilot to keep a blue flag flying at the fore-topmast head from the time at which the Vessel shall come within sight of the Block House aforesaid, to bring the Vessel to anchor near the said Block House, and to prevent any boat from leaving the Vessel, and the Vessel from having any communication with the shore, or with any other Vessel, (except in case of distress,) until leave to do so shall have been obtained from the Medical Officer or assistant Medical Officer at Grosse Isle ; and it shall also be the duty of the Pilots to report to the Boarding Officer, whether on board the Vessels, piloted by them respectively, the instructions or orders which shall have been given them for their guidance, have been in any way violated or contravened.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Boarding Officer at the said Quarantine Station shall be an experienced seafaring person, competent to take the command of any vessel, and shall have full power and authority to take the command of any vessel which he shall board within the limits of the said Station, and to conduct her to such anchorage as he may deem expedient, and to give such orders and directions as he may find necessary for obtaining all the information above mentioned ; for preventing the spreading of any infectious diseases and for enforcing the Regulations of the Station ; and shall report exactly to the Medical Officer or his assistant all the information he shall so obtain respecting any vessel he shall board.

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