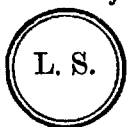


the said Board shall think fit for the prevention, as far as possible, or mitigation of epidemic, endemic, and contagious diseases ;

And whereas we have been informed that a vessel lately arrived, or is expected to arrive in the port of Exeter, having cholera on board ; We, the General Board of Health, do hereby order and require that the Governor and Directors of the poor of the city of Exeter Union shall, by themselves or their officers, enter the said vessel, or any other vessel coming into the said port, in which cholera or other epidemic disease has occurred, and examine the sanitary condition of the same, and inquire into the health of the crew or crews, and if need be, order cleansing, purification, and all other necessary measures for the prevention of disease, which are authorized or required to be adopted in any dwellings on land, by the general regulations of the Board of the 3rd and 18th November 1848, issued to the Guardians of the Poor throughout England and Wales.

Given under our hands, and under the seal of the General Board of Health, this 4th day of August 1849.



(Signed) *Ashley.*
E. Chadwick.
T. Southwood Smith.

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Merthyr Tydfil Union; and to all others whom it may concern.

Whereas by the Act eleventh and twelfth Victoria, cap. 123, intituled "An Act to renew and amend an Act of the tenth year of Her present Majesty for the more speedy removal of certain nuisances, and the prevention of contagious and epidemic diseases;" and by virtue of an Order of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, bearing date the 27th day of March 1849, directing that the provisions of the said Act be continued in force throughout the whole of Great Britain; We, the General Board of Health, are authorized to issue such directions and regulations as the said Board shall think fit for the prevention, as far as possible, or mitigation of epidemic, endemic, and contagious diseases ;

And whereas various parts of the Merthyr Tydfil Union appear to be affected by formidable epidemic or endemic disease ; and it is desirable that further provisions should be made to meet the emergency ;

We, the General Board of Health, do hereby order the execution of the directions and regulations following ; viz :

1. That a daily list be forwarded to the superintendent medical inspector by each medical officer, setting forth all cases of premonitory symptoms or of cholera that may have occurred within each such medical officer's district during the preceding twenty-four hours.

2. That a duly qualified medical assistant be appointed to aid in carrying out the measures that may be considered requisite under the circumstances.

3. That three efficient nurses be appointed to attend upon the sick, according to the directions of the medical superintending inspector or other person approved by him.

4. That a person approved as properly qualified by the superintending medical inspector be appointed for the purpose of administering the medicines he may have prescribed.

5. That such arrangements may be made as the medical inspector shall approve, for the

purpose of securing careful house to house visitation at least once daily, and twice each day, if he shall certify that such an extent of visitation be necessary.

6. That there be forthwith provided houses of refuge, to which may be removed the families of such necessitous persons as have been attacked with cholera, and also such necessitous persons living under the same roof, or in the vicinity of persons so attacked, as the medical officers may deem it necessary to remove ; the houses, rooms, or dwellings from which persons may have been removed to the houses of refuge, to be cleansed and purified by the owners or persons having the care or ordering thereof, or in their default by the said Parochial Board.

Given under our hands, and under the seal of the General Board of Health, this 6th day of August 1849.



(Signed) *Ashley.*
Edwin Chadwick.
T. Southwood Smith.

To the Select Vestry of the Parish of Liverpool; and to all others whom it may concern.

Whereas by the Act eleventh and twelfth Victoria, cap. 123, intituled "An Act to renew and amend an Act of the tenth year of Her present Majesty for the more speedy removal of certain nuisances, and the prevention of contagious and epidemic diseases," and by virtue of an Order of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, bearing date the 27th day of March 1849, directing that the provisions of the said Act be continued in force throughout the whole of Great Britain ; We, the General Board of Health, are authorized to issue such directions and regulations as the said Board shall think fit for the prevention, as far as possible, or mitigation of epidemic, endemic, and contagious diseases ;

And whereas the parish of Liverpool appearing to be affected by formidable epidemic or endemic disease, it was deemed desirable to make further provision for securing effective house to house visitation ; We, the General Board of Health, on the 6th day of the present month of August, issued an Order directing the appointment of twenty duly qualified medical men, whose whole time should be employed in making careful house to house visitation throughout the affected or threatened districts of the parish of Liverpool.

And whereas it is represented to us by the medical officer of health of Liverpool that it may be difficult to obtain twenty sufficiently qualified medical men to give their whole time to the said house to house visitation, We, the General Board of Health, hereby authorize the appointment of the said number of such medical practitioners as the said medical officer of health or any medical superintending inspector to the General Board of Health, if there be such in Liverpool at the time, shall approve, and to give so much of their time to the service as shall be deemed sufficient by the said medical officer of health or medical superintending inspector.

Given under our hands, and under the seal of the General Board of Health, this 8th day of August 1849.



(Signed) *Ashley.*
Edwin Chadwick.
T. Southwood Smith.