

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 parishes and places comprised within the Neath Union appear to be affected by formidable epidemic and endemic disease; and it is desirable to give power to the Guardians of the Poor, or their duly appointed officers, to remove the families of necessitous persons who have been attacked with cholera, and other persons living under the same roof, or in the immediate vicinity;

Now we, the General Board of Health, do in further exercise of the power vested in us as aforesaid, issue the following directions and regulations to extend to the parishes and places comprised in the Neath Union;

That the said Board of Guardians, having provided houses of refuge and other appropriate places, shall be authorized and empowered to remove 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 acting under the authority of the said Board 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 Board of Guardians.

Given under our hands, and under the seal of the General Board of Health, this 3rd day of August 1849.



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

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Neath 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 within the Neath Union appear to be affected by formidable epidemic and endemic disease;

Now we, the General Board of Health, in further exercise of the power vested in us as aforesaid, do issue the directions and regulations hereinafter contained, to extend to the Neath Union:

1. That houses of refuge be forthwith provided at Neath and at Cadoxton, affording accommodation in proportion to the necessities of the case and the extent of the disease, and to which may be removed the families of such poor persons as have been attacked with cholera, and such others as the medical officers may deem it requisite or desirable

to remove; and that the places from which such persons have been removed be forthwith effectively cleansed and purified.

2. That an inspector of nuisances be immediately appointed, and that he see to the removal forthwith of all such nuisances as shall be certified either by the medical superintending inspector, or by either of the union medical officers.

Given under our hands, and under the seal of the General Board of Health, this 16th day of August 1849.



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

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Falmouth 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 we have been informed that vessels have lately arrived in the port of Falmouth having on board persons suffering from cholera or other epidemic diseases;

And whereas it is very desirable that persons so attacked should be provided with proper and adequate accommodation for their reception, and also with immediate medical relief;

We, the General Board of Health, do hereby order and declare, that the Guardians of the Poor of the Falmouth Union shall, by themselves or their officers, enter the said vessels 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 4th day of April 1849, 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 20th day of August 1849.



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

To the Guardians of the Poor of the City of Coventry 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