

said township for paving, lighting (otherwise than for the profit of proprietors or shareholders), cleansing, watching, regulating, supplying with water, or improving such township, or any part thereof, or in anywise relating to the purposes of the said Public Health Act ;

"Now, therefore, We, the said General Board of Health, do hereby, in pursuance of the said Public Health Act, humbly report to your Majesty, that it appears to us to be expedient that the Public Health Act, 1848, and every part thereof, except the section numbered 50 in the copies of that Act, printed by your Majesty's printers, shall be applied to, and be in force within and throughout the entire area, places, and parts of places comprised within the boundaries at present fixed as the boundaries of the said township, and that such area, places, and parts of places should be and constitute a district for the purpose of the said Public Health Act accordingly.

"2. That the Local Board of Health to be elected under the said Public Health Act shall consist of nine persons, and that the entire number shall be elected for the whole of the said district.

"3. That the first election of the said Local Board of Health shall take place on the twenty-fifth day of July one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

"4. That one-third in number of the said Local Board shall go out of office on the twenty-fifth day of March in each year, subsequently to that in which the said election takes place.

"5. That every person at the time of his election as member of the said Local Board, and so long as he shall continue in office by virtue of such election, be resident, as in the said Public Health Act, 1848, is required, and be seized and possessed of real or personal estate, or both, to the value or amount of not less than five hundred pounds, or shall be so resident, and rated to the relief of the poor of some parish, township, or place, of which some part is within the said district, upon an annual value of not less than fifteen pounds.

"6. That at the first election of the said Local Board Thomas Sikes, Clerk, Vicar of Luton, shall have the powers and perform the duties vested in or imposed upon the Chairman of the Local Board of Health by the Public Health Act, 1848, in relation to the election by owners of property and rate-payers, and shall perform all other duties which it may be requisite for him to perform in conducting and completing the said first election ; and in case the said Thomas Sikes, from illness, or other sufficient cause, shall be unable to exercise or discharge such powers or duties, or shall be absent, or shall refuse to act, then Richard Vyse, Esq. shall exercise and perform such of the said powers and duties as then remain to be exercised or performed.

"7. That the fourteen days' notice of qualification required by the Public Health Act, 1848, to be given by owners of property, in order to entitle them to vote at the said first election, shall be given to the said Thomas Sikes ; or in case he shall refuse or be unable to receive the same, then to the said Richard Vyse.

"Given under our hands and under the seal of the General Board of Health, this twenty-second day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty.



(Signed)

Ashley.
Edwin Chadwick."

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the said report into consideration, is pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council to approve thereof, and doth hereby, under and in pursuance of the Public Health Act, 1848, order and direct that from and after the date of this Order the said Public Health Act, and every part thereof, except the section numbered 50 in the copies of that Act, printed by Her Majesty's printers, shall be applied to and be put in full force and operation within and throughout the entire area, places, and parts of places comprised within the boundaries of the township of Luton, in the county of Bedford, and that such area, places, and parts of places shall be and constitute a district for the purpose of the said Public Health Act accordingly.

2. That the Local Board of Health, to be elected under the said Public Health Act, shall consist of nine persons, and that the entire number shall be elected for the whole of the said district.

3. That the first election of the said Local Board of Health shall take place on the twenty-fifth day of July one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

4. That one-third in number of the said Local Board shall go out of office on the twenty-fifth day of March in each year subsequently to that in which the said election takes place.

5. That every person, at the time of his election as member of the said Local Board, and so long as he shall continue in office by virtue of such election, be resident as in the said Public Health Act, 1848, is required, and be seized or possessed of real or personal estate, or both, to the value or amount of not less than five hundred pounds, or shall be so resident and rated to the relief of the poor of some parish, township, or place of which some part is within the said district, upon an annual value of not less than fifteen pounds.

6. That at the first election of the said Local Board, Thomas Sikes, Clerk, Vicar of Luton, shall have the powers and perform the duties vested in or imposed upon the Chairman of the Local Board of Health by the Public Health Act, 1848, in relation to the election by owners of property and rate-payers, and shall perform all other duties which it may be requisite for him to perform in conducting and completing the said first election ; and in case the said Thomas Sikes, from illness or other sufficient cause, shall be unable to exercise or discharge such powers or duties, or shall be absent, or shall refuse to act, then Richard Vyse, Esquire, shall exercise and perform such of the said powers and duties as then remain to be exercised or performed.

7. That the fourteen days' notice of qualification required by the Public Health Act, 1848, to be given by owners of property in order to entitle them to vote at the said first election shall be given to the said Thomas Sikes, at the Vicarage, within the said district ; or in case he shall refuse, or be unable to receive the same, then to the said Richard Vyse, at his offices, in Park-street, within the said district.

Wm. L. Bathurst.

At the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 19th day of *June* 1850.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a report from the General Board of Health, dated the twenty-second day of May one