

Wandsworth and Clapham Union.—Parish of Putney.

To the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the parish of Putney, in the county of Surrey;—

To the Clerk or Clerks to the Justices of the Petty Sessions held for the division or divisions in which the said parish is situate;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS the population of the parish of Putney, in the county of Surrey, according to the last census, exceeds two thousand persons:

And whereas, at a meeting of the Vestry, held in the Vestry Room, in the said parish, after public notice in that behalf, on the twenty-third day of September last, it was resolved,—

“That application be made to the Poor Law Board to issue an Order, under their seal of office, directing that the Act passed on the 5th August, 1850 (13 and 14 Vict., c. 57), entitled ‘An Act to prevent the holding of vestry or other meetings in churches, and for regulating the appointment of Vestry Clerks,’ shall be applied to and put in force within this parish, as regards that portion only which relates to the appointment of a Vestry Clerk.”

And whereas the Churchwardens of the said parish have made their application in writing to the Poor Law Board, pursuant to the above resolutions.

Now, therefore, we, the Poor Law Board, under the authority of the several Statutes in that behalf made and provided, do hereby order and direct:—

ARTICLE 1.—So much of the said Act, passed in the fourteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty, as relates to the appointment of a Vestry Clerk, shall forthwith be applied to, and put in force within, the said parish of Putney.

ARTICLE 2.—A salary of fifty-two pounds ten shillings a year shall be paid to the Vestry Clerk for the time being, appointed under the authority of the Statutes in such behalf and this Order, by the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the said parish.

ARTICLE 3.—The salary of such Vestry Clerk shall be payable up to the day on which he ceases to hold such office, and no longer, and shall be paid by quarterly payments at the several quarters ending at the usual feast days in the year, namely, Lady-day, Midsummer-day, Michaelmas-day, and Christmas-day, with a proportionate sum to be paid to his executors or administrators, in case he shall die while holding such office.

ARTICLE 4.—Every person appointed to the office of Vestry Clerk in the said parish shall give to the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union, in the county of Surrey, a bond, in the penal sum of one hundred pounds, in the names of himself and two sufficient sureties, conditioned for the due and faithful performance of the duties of the office; and every such officer shall give immediate notice to the said Guardians of the death, insolvency, or bankruptcy of either of such sureties, and shall, when required by the said Guardians, produce a certificate, signed by two householders, that his sureties are alive and believed by them to be solvent, and shall supply a fresh surety in the place of any such surety who may die, or become bankrupt or insolvent.

Provided that the Guardians may, if they think

fit, take the security of any society or company expressly authorized by statute to guarantee or secure the faithful discharge of the duties of any Poor Law Officer.

ARTICLE 5.—The Auditor of the District comprising the said Union shall, in the statement required by the General Order of the Poor Law Commissioners, dated the seventeenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, to be transmitted to the Poor Law Board, of the securities of the officers of the said Union, include the name of the Vestry Clerk for the time being appointed under the authority hereof, together with the particulars in the said General Order required, and shall report thereon to the Board of Guardians of the said Union, in like manner as therein set forth with reference to the securities of other officers.

And, at the request of the said Churchwardens, we do hereby prescribe and direct, that the said Vestry Clerk shall perform the following duties, in addition to those set forth in the said Act:

1. Prepare notices of Vestry for the church and chapel doors, and circulars, stating the special purpose thereof, for delivery to all the members of such Vestry, attend the meetings of the committees appointed thereat, and enter the minutes in the Vestry minute book, and prepare reports of such committees.
2. Make out, when required by the Vestry, the sewers rate, lighting rate, and general rate, respectively, and procure the same to be allowed, and give the notices thereof respectively required by law.
3. Advise the Churchwardens and Overseers as to the recovery of arrears of rates, and attend the Justices or Police Magistrate on the hearing of summonses for such rates when required.
4. Make out and keep the Overseer's accounts of the sewers rate, lighting rate, and general rate, respectively, and present such accounts to the Auditors, and also to the Vestry or other legal authority, to be examined and allowed, and examine the accounts of the respective Collectors, and their returns of arrears.
5. Write all letters relating to the Vestry and to the Churchwardens and Overseers, when they shall not be required to sign them personally.

And we direct, that a copy of this Order shall be published in the London Gazette.

Given under our hand and seal of office, this fifteenth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

E. P. Bouverie, President.

Courtenay, Secretary.

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given, that provisional protection has been allowed

2762. To William Jacobs, of Albert-road, Globe-fields, Mile End, in the county of Middlesex, for the invention of “an improved composition for bedding and rendering bricks in furnaces.” On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 21st day of November, 1856.