

examine and inspect, whenever and wherever he may deem it necessary, any animal within such district which he has reason to suspect to be labouring under the disorder; and such constable shall report the fact of every such visit, with its results, to the Petty Sessions Court of the district in which such visit has been made at the next sitting of such Court.

6. Whenever any Constable shall receive or obtain information that any animal is labouring under the said disorder, he shall, by the next post, or if possible by telegram communicate such information to the Chief Secretary or Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, who shall immediately order a competent person as inspector to proceed without delay to the place where the animal alleged to be so labouring is, and to inspect the same; and such inspector shall on the same day forward to the said Chief Secretary or Under Secretary, a report stating whether in his opinion the animal is or is not affected with the disorder.

7. Such Constable shall communicate also to the nearest Magistrate the report which he has transmitted to the Chief Secretary or Under Secretary; and if such Magistrate shall satisfy himself that there are reasons for grave suspicion that the animal mentioned in the Constable's report is labouring under the said disorder, he shall have power to issue an Order (to be in operation for three days, or until such time as the Inspector shall finally report that such animal is free from the said disorder, and subject to such conditions as he may think proper), prohibiting the removal of such animal from the land or premises where the said animal shall be, and requiring all other animals to be kept separate and apart from it.

8. On receipt of information to the effect that an animal is labouring under the said disorder, not being within a district already marked out as an infected district as hereinafter provided, the Lord Lieutenant shall send without delay to the place where such animal is, two or more competent persons, who shall mark out a certain line around such place, and lay down the same upon the Ordnance Map. The limit of the district enclosed shall be shown by well-defined boundaries, and all the district within such boundaries shall be called "An Infected District," and such competent persons shall forthwith forward to the County Inspector of Constabulary a description of such district, and marked as aforesaid on the Ordnance Map.

9. On receipt of such information the County Inspector of Constabulary, shall, without delay, cause to be posted in all public places within ten miles of the infected district, a notice describing the boundaries of the same; and, from the date of the posting of the first of such notices, it shall not be lawful for any person to hold any fair within such "infected district," or to move out of such "infected district" any animal whatsoever; but any animal, if certified by an Inspector to be free from disease, may be slaughtered, and the carcase of such animal may be sent out of such infected district, provided that its skin and offal shall be left within the district; and no skin of any animal slaughtered or dying within such district shall be removed without being disinfected, and without the permission of the Inspector, provided that this prohibition shall not extend to the carrying any animal through any such district by a railway train.

10. From the date of the posting of such notice, the County Inspector of Constabulary shall station at all necessary places Constables and Sub-Con-

stables, who shall prevent the egress of all animals from the "infected district," and shall prohibit the transit or passage of all animals by or through any part of the said district, except in railway trains, and shall as far as possible prevent any animal from approaching the boundaries of such district, and shall prevent the carrying out of any forage, litter, or manure therefrom.

11. The constables or sub-constables shall cause all faecal matter discharged by any animal labouring under the said disorder to be collected, so far as it can be done, and all litter and other refuse, in any house or place in which any such animal may have been located, and all fodder placed before or brought into contact with such animal, to be collected and buried at least four feet under the surface, or to be destroyed by fire, and the ashes thereof buried.

12. From the date of the posting of the first of such notices, all dogs within the infected district at that date shall be kept shut up or chained, or by other sufficient means shall be prevented from passing out of such district.

13. Such "infected district" shall remain and be considered as an infected district, and subject to the regulations herein applicable to an infected district so long as any case of disorder exists within it, and for a period of twenty-one days after the last case of death, or recovery, to be certified by the Inspector, and until such Inspector shall have certified that all proper precautions have been taken for the purposes of disinfection.

14. Every inspector shall have power to require and cause any animal declared and certified by him in writing to be labouring under the said disorder, to be slaughtered without delay and buried six feet deep in the ground and covered with lime, in such a spot as he may select, and in the case of burial being necessary at a distance from the place of death, he shall cause all practicable means to be taken for preventing the carcase from becoming the vehicle of infection before the removal thereof. The carcasses of all diseased animals shall be buried unskinned, and the skins thereof shall be scored so as to prevent their being used.

15. No person who may be brought into contact with any deceased animal, shall take with him out of such "infected district" any clothes or garment which such person may have worn while in contact with any such animal, either by wearing the same or otherwise, without taking all such precautions against propagating infection by means thereof, as the Lord Lieutenant by any order may direct.

16. No dog accompanying a drover or of the description ordinarily used by drovers or persons in charge of cattle, sheep, or swine, shall be brought into any part of Ireland by any person, if the last place on land from whence such dog shall have been brought shall be any part of Great Britain.

17. This Order shall come into operation on the 25th day of January, 1866, and shall continue in force thenceforth until the same shall be revoked by any future Order.

18. Every person offending against this Order shall, in pursuance of the said Act, for every such offence, forfeit any sum not exceeding £20, which the Justices before whom he or she shall be convicted of such offence may think fit to impose.

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