

order is generally designated as the "cattle plague:"

And whereas, with a view to check the spreading of the said disorder, an Order dated the twenty-third day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, has been made, under the authority of the said Acts, by the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council, consolidating and amending certain Orders previously made for that purpose; and the same has since been altered and amended by subsequent Orders, bearing date the sixteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and the twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six:

And whereas it is expedient to alter and amend the said Orders, in so far as they relate to the Metropolis: Now, therefore, the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council do hereby, in exercise of the powers given by the said Act so continued as aforesaid, order as follows:—

1. The word "Metropolis," for the purposes of this Order, shall mean any parish or place within the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Board of Works, exclusive of the City of London and the liberties thereof, and also exclusive of that part of the county of Kent which is included in such jurisdiction, and which is situated to the north of the Thames.

2. So much of the said Orders of the twenty-third day of November and the sixteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, as empowers the Clerk of Her Majesty's Privy Council to appoint Inspectors within the limits of the Metropolitan Police District, is hereby revoked.

3. So much of the said Orders of the twenty-third day of November and the sixteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and of the Order of the twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, as gives to any Local Authority any jurisdiction or power whatsoever within the Metropolis is hereby revoked; and all Orders made or notices published by any such Local Authority shall absolutely cease and determine so far as respects the Metropolis from the date of this Order coming into force, but without prejudice to their validity as respects any place beyond the Metropolis.

4. The Clerk of Her Majesty's Privy Council may appoint Inspectors for the Metropolis, and the Notice required by Section 8 of the Order of the 23rd of November, 1865, to be given to the said Clerk of the Council by persons in certain cases within the Metropolitan Police district, shall after the date of this Order be required to be given only by persons within the Metropolis.

5. No person having in his possession, or under his charge, any cow, heifer, bull, bullock, ox, or calf within the Metropolis, whether such animal has been in the Metropolitan Cattle Market or not, shall convey or remove, cause to be conveyed or removed, or attempt to convey or remove, any such animal out of the Metropolis, except into the City of London, or the liberties thereof: Provided that where any person occupies a farm or other contiguous premises situated partly within and partly without the Metropolis, he may, with a license from the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, which such Commissioner is hereby empowered from time to time to grant, and, if he think fit, to revoke, and for a time not exceeding seven days from the date of such license, move from one part of such premises to another any animal not affected by the cattle plague which

has been in his own possession for fourteen days previous to the date of such license, and has been marked in such manner as the said Commissioner of Police may direct.

6. No person shall bring or send, or cause to be brought or sent, any cow, heifer, bull, bullock, ox, or calf to any market or fair, or to any place, whatever in the Metropolis, for the purpose of exhibition or sale, excepting to the Metropolitan Cattle Market; and no person shall bring or send, or cause to be brought or sent, any such animal to the said Metropolitan Cattle Market, except for the purpose of being there exhibited and sold for immediate slaughtering; and no such animal so brought or sent shall be allowed to leave the said market, unless sold, and marked in the manner in which cattle are ordinarily marked for slaughter in the said market, *videlicet*, by clipping the hair off the end of the tail. And the officers of the said market shall cause such mark to be duly made. And no person shall buy or sell, or cause to be bought or sold, any such animal in the said market, except for immediate slaughtering; and every person buying any such animal in the said market shall slaughter the same, or cause the same to be slaughtered, within seven days of such purchase: Provided that nothing contained in this clause of this Order shall be held to prohibit any person from exhibiting or selling on his own land or premises any animal belonging to him which has been on such land or premises for not less than fourteen days previous to such exhibition or sale, and is not affected by the cattle plague.

7. No person shall remove, or cause to be removed, any cow, heifer, bull, bullock, ox, or calf, along any highway, thoroughfare, or public place, within the Metropolis, except for a distance not exceeding 500 yards from part to part of the same farm, or to water, without a license from the said Commissioner of Police; and every such license shall state the number and description of animals licensed to be removed, and the place of their destination, and shall be valid only for twenty-four hours from the date thereof: Provided that this clause of this Order shall not apply to any animals intended for immediate slaughtering, which are sent to or from the said Metropolitan Cattle Market.

8. This Order shall come into operation on the fourteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

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

Arthur Helps.

THE following Notices have been received by the Clerk of the Council from the Local Authorities appointed under the Orders of the Lords of the Council, relating to the "cattle plague," and are published in the London Gazette in conformity with the requirements of the 18th section of their Lordships' Order of the 23rd November, 1865:—

CATTLE PLAGUE.

City of Coventry.

PURSUANT to an Order by the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, made