

place, or any waggons, carts, carriages, or other vehicles; and also for the purpose of directing how any animals dying in a diseased state, or any animals, parts of animals, or other things seized under the provisions of the said Act, are to be disposed of; and also for the purpose of causing notices to be given of the appearance of any disorder among sheep, cattle, or other animals, and to make any other Orders or Regulations for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the said Act, and again to revoke, alter, or vary any such Orders or Regulations; and that all provisions for any of the purposes aforesaid in any such Order or Orders contained shall have the like force and effect as if the same had been inserted in the said Act; and that all persons offending against the said Act shall, for each and every offence forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding twenty pounds, or such smaller sum as the said Lords or others of Her Majesty's Privy Council may in any such case by such Order direct:

And whereas a contagious or infectious disorder now prevails among the cattle of Great Britain which is generally designated the "Cattle Plague":

And whereas divers Orders have from time to time been made under the authority of the said Acts by the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council, with a view to check the spreading of the said disorder:

And whereas it is expedient to make further provisions with a view to check the spreading of the said disorder:

Now, therefore, the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council do hereby, by virtue of and in exercise of the powers given by the said Act, so continued as aforesaid, order as follows:—

Every Railway or other Company or person carrying animals for hire within any part of Great Britain shall forthwith thoroughly cleanse and disinfect all pens, carriages, trucks, and boats used by such Company or person for holding or carrying animals, by a washing of lime water, or, with the approval of the Board of Trade, by some other process; and until such pen, carriage, truck, or boat has been thoroughly cleansed and disinfected as aforesaid, no animal nor any article shall be placed or carried in any such pen, carriage, truck, or boat; and when such pen, carriage, truck, or boat has been thoroughly cleansed and disinfected as aforesaid, such Company or person, as aforesaid, using the same, on every occasion after any animal has been taken out of such pen, carriage, truck, or boat, and before any other animal or article is placed therein, shall thoroughly cleanse and disinfect every such pen, carriage, truck, or boat in such manner as the Board of Trade shall from time to time direct; and if any pen, carriage, truck, or boat shall at any time be used in contravention of this Order, the Company or person by whom it is so used, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £5 for every time that such pen, carriage, truck, or boat is so used.

In this Order the expression "animal" shall mean bull, bullock, cow, ox, heifer, calf, sheep, goat, and swine; and the expression truck shall include any horse-box, or other vehicle used in the carrying of animals.

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 their Lordships' Orders:—

Notice No. 4.

CATTLE PLAGUE:

County of Merioneth.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by authority, and in pursuance of Orders of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, dated respectively the 16th day of December, 1865, and the 20th day of January, 1866, and by virtue of the several previous Orders therein referred to, Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the county of Merioneth, in Quarter Sessions assembled at Bala, in the said county, on Thursday, the 15th day of March, 1866, have declared, and do now order and declare:—

1. That it is expedient that, until the 5th day of May next, no cow, heifer, bull, bullock, ox, calf, sheep, lamb, goat, or swine, or any raw or uncured hides, skins, horns, hoofs, or offal of any such animal, and no dung, hay, straw, corn in the straw, fodder, or litter, likely to propagate infection, shall be brought from any place in Great Britain beyond the jurisdiction of this county into any place within the said county of Merioneth.

2. That until such 5th day of May next, no such animal or article as aforesaid shall be removed or taken to any market or fair within any part of the said county for the purpose of exhibition or sale.

3. That until the 5th day of May next, no such animal or article, as above-mentioned, shall be removed from or out of any one Petty Sessional Division of the said county to any other Petty Sessional Division of the said county, except the person or persons so removing any such animals or articles as aforesaid, shall be thereunto licensed and empowered by certificate under the hands of two of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said county, one of whom shall be a Justice usually acting in the division from which such animals or articles are to be removed, and the other usually acting in the division to which such animals or articles are proposed to be taken.

Every person offending against the said Order shall for every such offence forfeit any sum not exceeding twenty pounds.

Provided always, that it shall not be unlawful for any person to bring or carry into the said county of Merioneth any hay or straw from the counties of Cardigan and Carnarvon, and the Union of Machynlleth, in the county of Montgomery, if the person or persons so bringing the same shall have the licence, in writing, thereunto of two magistrates of the said county of Merioneth.

Provided also, that it shall not be unlawful to remove or carry from one Petty Sessional Division of the county of Merioneth to any other Petty Sessional Division within the same, any hay or straw cut up into chaff, provided such chaff is being carried for immediate consumption by the horses carrying or drawing the same.

Provided also, that it shall not be unlawful for any person to bring sheep or swine from the Petty Sessional Divisions of Lleyl and Eifwnydd, in the county of Carnarvon, the Machynlleth Union, in the county of Montgomery and the county of Cardigan, into the county of Merioneth, between the 24th day of March and the 7th day of April, both inclusive, if the person bringing the same