

Scotland, and in particular the second section of the Order of 7th June, 1866, shall remain in force, except in so far as inconsistent with this Order.

*Arthur Helps.*

**A**T the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 20th day of July, 1866.

By the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

**PRESENT,**

Lord President.  
Mr. Secretary Walpole.  
Mr. Corry.  
Sir Stafford Northcote, Bart.  
Mr. Gathorne Hardy.

**W**HEREAS the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, by an Order made the 14th day of July instant, in exercise of the powers given by "The Diseases Prevention Act, 1855," and the Amending Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter seventy-seven, did order and direct that the provisions contained in the said Acts for the prevention of diseases should, from and after the date of that Order, be put in force within the whole and every part of England;

And whereas the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council have thought fit, under the authority conferred upon them by the said first cited Act and all other Acts in such behalf, to issue certain directions and regulations, to be in force in all Unions and Parishes of England not within the Metropolis, and in all parts and arms of the sea lying within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty, so long as the provisions aforesaid shall be in force under the said Order;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the above-named Acts, the Lords of the Council order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows, that is to say:—

**I.—Preliminary.**

Forthwith on the issuing of the present Regulations, the Clerk of every Board of Guardians shall summon a special meeting of the Board, in order that the present Regulations may be brought before them, and that the Board may make, as they are hereby required to do, such preliminary arrangements as will enable them, if sudden need shall arise, to carry the following regulations into immediate effect; and the Board at such meeting shall direct the Clerk, by instructions to the Medical Officers, and by circular letters of request addressed to all legally qualified Medical Practitioners in the Union or Parish, and in such other ways as the Board may think necessary, to take measures for causing the Board to be made acquainted with any presence of Cholera or unusual amount or severity of Diarrhoea in the Union or Parish, or any part of it, if such be existing or should thereafter exist: and the Board if apprised of any such presence of Cholera or Diarrhoea shall thereupon forthwith, so far as the circumstances require, do the several things hereinafter ordered:

**II.—When Cholera is in an Union or Parish.**

1. Every Board shall make arrangements for meeting, in districts where the disease is actually

prevailing, daily, either in a body or in one or more Committees, according to the exigencies of the district, for the purpose of exercising the powers conferred upon them by the Act.

2. The meetings may be held at the ordinary Board-room, and, where necessary, at such other places as shall appear to be most convenient for dealing with the disease, and the Board shall cause proper minutes of all proceedings to be made and duly recorded.

3. Where the Union or Parish forms part of any town of more than 60,000 inhabitants, or contains a town of more than 40,000 inhabitants, according to the report upon the last Census, or where several parts of the Union or Parish are at one time suffering from Cholera, the Board shall appoint some legally qualified Medical Practitioner to attend at the meetings, and render his advice thereat, and superintend all the medical arrangements for preventing and treating the disease.

4. In each district in which Cholera is present, or, if the quantity of work to be done renders it desirable to subdivide the district, then in each of such subdivisions, a legally qualified Medical Practitioner shall be put in charge of the district or subdivision for the medical purposes of these Regulations; and to each such Medical Practitioner shall be allotted all needful Medical Assistants and such other Assistants as the Board see fit.

Such District Medical Practitioner, or one of his Assistants, shall at least once daily visit those parts of the district which are inhabited by the poorer classes and wherein the disease is, and shall there inquire at every house as to the existence of Diarrhoea or Cholera, and shall enter in a book to be kept for the purpose the facts as to all cases he may meet with, and shall without delay give, or take the proper steps for causing to be given, all necessary medical assistance to the sick. And the Medical Practitioner or Assistant shall, when visiting the part assigned to him, be provided with medicines for immediate administration in urgent cases, and shall be held to be in medical charge of all cases of Diarrhoea or Cholera with which he may meet until he is relieved by such other provision for their medical attendance as may be made or sanctioned by the Board.

5. Such Medical Practitioner shall, by transmitting his above-required book, or otherwise, report daily to the Board of Guardians, or to the Committee of the district for which he acts, the result of his own and his Assistants' inquiries, and shall make such suggestions as to the state of the district as he shall deem advisable.

6. In places where the Board of Guardians are not the Nuisances Removal Authority, the Board shall, without delay, cause report to be made to such Authority, and if the Board see fit, shall complain to the Justices, of every case where any Committee, Medical Practitioner or Assistant, employed by the Board, shall find any nuisance injurious to health existing in any premises visited by them.

7. The Visitors shall, where they find it expedient, communicate to the Relieving Officer of the district any case of destitution requiring relief, which is not entered in his relief list, and such officer shall forthwith visit the same and give such relief as in his judgment the case shall require.

8. The Board shall provide a sufficient number of Dispensaries, to be open night and day, at convenient places within their district, with an adequate supply of such medicines, medical appliances and disinfectants, as their Medical Adviser shall recommend, and with a legally qualified Medical Practitioner or skilled Assistant