

And whereas a contagious or infectious disorder generally designated as the "Cattle Plague," has lately appeared, and now prevails, amongst cattle in England, and has also prevailed among sheep in many parts of England :

And whereas divers Orders have been made by the Lords of the said Council in relation to the cattle plague, which were consolidated and amended by an Order bearing date the twenty-fourth day of March last, which Order has been altered and extended by subsequent Orders :

And whereas by the said Order of the Privy Council, it is ordered that no market for cattle shall be held in England and Wales, except with the licence of the Privy Council, for the sale of cattle intended for immediate slaughter ; and it is further ordered that no sheep, lambs, goats, or swine shall be brought into or exposed for sale in any market licensed for the sale of cattle except for the purpose of immediate slaughter :

And whereas by another Order, bearing date the eighth day of August last, the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council did prescribe certain forms of licence to be used for the removal of various animals ; and it is expedient that provisions should be made for the sale of animals in certain markets not intended for immediate slaughter.

Now, therefore, the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council do hereby order as follows :—

1. From and after the eighth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, markets may be held, with the licence of the Lords of the said Council, for the sale of animals, whether intended for immediate slaughter or otherwise,

in any county in England and Wales, provided that no such licence shall be granted unless their Lordships shall be satisfied that no case of cattle plague has occurred in the county where such market is to be held within one calendar month prior to the date of such licence, nor unless the market is situated at a distance exceeding ten miles from any place declared to be infected according to the provisions of the said Order of the twenty-fourth day of March last.

2. No licence shall be granted under this Order permitting any market to be held in any port or other place into which animals are imported from any country not part of the United Kingdom.

3. When the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council shall license any market for the sale of any animals, such animals may be moved to such market from any place, whether in or out of the county in which the market is to be held, with a licence in the form called a Store Stock Licence in the above-mentioned Order of the eighth day of August last, but not without it ; and the person bringing such animals shall deliver the said licence to an officer of the said market, or to some other person appointed by the persons authorized to hold the market for the purpose of receiving the same, and the said licence shall be numbered and carefully retained and preserved by him.

4. No animal exposed to sale or sold in such market shall be moved therefrom to any place, either in the same or a different county, except with a pass or licence to be given by the person who shall have received the Store Stock Licence, as aforesaid, to the owner or purchaser desirous of moving the same, in the following form :—

MARKET PASS.

Market, in the county of

Date

The following animals, being [the whole or part] of those brought to this market this day from under the licence numbered , and retained by me, may be moved to by the undermentioned route.

Number and Description of Animals.	Name and Address of the Owner or Purchaser.	Route.	Name of Drover.	Remarks.

The time allowed for the removals under this licence is days, from and after to-day.

[No animal can be moved under this licence upon any highway between sunset and sunrise.]

(Signed)

Appointed to receive licences and grant passes in the above-named Market:

NOTE.—Any person who forges or alters any licence, or offers or utters the same knowing it to be forged or altered, will be liable to a penalty of £20, or to be imprisoned, with hard labour, for the term of three months. See 29 and 30 Victoria, cap. 110, sec. 10.

5. Provided that nothing herein contained shall affect any licence already granted by the Privy Council for any market for the sale of animals for immediate slaughter, or for any market for the sale of sheep or lambs, nor affect the provisions of any Order of the Privy Council under which the Local Authority of any county is empowered to license the holding of fairs, or to make regulations as to the admission of animals into such county.

6. The words herein contained shall be con-

strued as in the said Order of the twenty-fourth day of March last, and all the provisions therein contained relative to the offences for the contravention thereof, and the penalty for the same, and otherwise, now in force, and the provisions of the said Order in regard to the powers of officers employed under that Order, shall apply to the regulations contained in this Order, and the enforcing of the same, and to the officers employed under it.

Edmund Harrison.