

ORDERS issued by the Local Government Board:—

Metropolitan Audit District.

Hackney, Poplar, Stepney, and Whitechapel Unions.

Saint John, Hampstead; Saint Leonard, Shoreditch; Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; Saint George-in-the-East; Parishes. And Mile End Old Town, Hamlet.

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Fulham, Greenwich, Holborn, Lewisham, Saint George's, Saint Olave's, Saint Saviour's, Strand, Wandsworth and Clapham, and Westminster Unions;—

To the Guardians of the Poor of the several Parishes of Saint Giles, Camberwell; Saint Luke, Chelsea; Saint Mary, Islington; Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington; Saint Mary, Lambeth, Paddington, and Saint Pancras;—

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Hackney, Poplar, Stepney, and Whitechapel Unions;—

To the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the several Parishes and Places comprised in the last-mentioned Unions;—

To the Guardians of the Poor of the several Parishes of Saint John, Hampstead; Saint Leonard, Shoreditch; Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; and Saint George-in-the-East;—

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town;—

To the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the said Parishes of Saint John, Hampstead; Saint Leonard, Shoreditch; Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; and Saint George-in-the-East, and of the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town;—

To the Treasurers and all other Officers of the Guardians of the above-mentioned Unions, Parishes, and Hamlet respectively;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS the Poor Law Commissioners, by an Order dated the 17th day of December, 1844, combined the following unions and parishes; namely, the Edmonton, Hackney, Poplar, Stepney, and Whitechapel Unions, and the parishes of Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; Saint George-in-the-East; Saint Leonard, Shoreditch; and Saint Luke, Middlesex; into a District for the audit of Accounts, to be termed "The North-east Metropolitan Auditor's District," and ordered and directed that one person should be appointed as the Auditor of the said District;

And whereas Thomas Wrake Ratcliff, Solicitor, of Dean Colet House, Ratcliff, Stepney, was duly appointed the Auditor for the said district;

And whereas by certain Orders dated respectively the 4th day of April, 1849, and the 9th day of April, 1857, the Poor Law Board added the parish of Saint John, Hampstead, and the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, to the said district;

And whereas by an Order dated the 5th day of June, 1869, the Poor Law Board directed that the parish of Saint Luke, Middlesex, should be added to the Holborn Union;

And whereas the Poor Law Board, by an Order dated the 27th day of April, 1871, combined the Fulham, Greenwich, Holborn, Lewisham, Strand and Westminster Unions, together with the parishes of Saint Giles, Camberwell; Saint Luke, Chelsea; Saint Mary, Islington; Saint Mary Abbots, Kensington; and Paddington, into a district for the audit of accounts, to be termed "The Metropolitan Audit District," and ordered and directed that one person should be appointed as the Auditor of that district;

And whereas by an Order dated the 29th day

of April, 1871, the Poor Law Board appointed Hugh Lloyd Roberts, of the Middle Temple, London, Barrister-at-Law, to the office of Auditor, for the Metropolitan Audit District;

And whereas by certain Orders dated respectively the 20th day of June, 1872, and the 20th day of September, 1873, the Local Government Board added the Saint George's, the Saint Olave's, the Saint Saviour's, and the Wandsworth and Clapham Unions, and the parishes of Saint Mary, Lambeth; and Saint Pancras, to the Metropolitan Audit District;

And whereas the said Thomas Wrake Ratcliff has resigned his office as Auditor for the North-East Metropolitan Auditor's District, and it is expedient that the Hackney, Poplar, Stepney, and Whitechapel Unions, as well as the parishes of Saint John, Hampstead; Saint Leonard, Shoreditch; Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; and Saint George-in-the-East, and the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, should be separated from that district and added to the Metropolitan Audit District:

Now therefore, we, the Local Government Board, under the authority of the statutes in that behalf, hereby order that, from and after the 25th day of July instant, the Hackney, Poplar, Stepney and Whitechapel Unions, and the parishes of Saint John, Hampstead; Saint Leonard, Shoreditch; Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; and Saint George-in-the-East, and the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, shall be separated from the North-East Metropolitan Auditor's District, and added to the Metropolitan Audit District.

And whereas by the above-recited Order bearing date the 27th day of April, 1871, the Poor Law Board directed that the Auditor of the Metropolitan Audit District should, twice in every year, that is to say, as soon as might be after the 25th day of March and the 29th day of September, examine, audit, and allow or disallow the accounts of the said several unions, and also of the said several parishes therein before combined, and of the several parishes comprised in the said unions, according to the laws in force for the time being for the administration of the relief of the poor:

Now therefore, we, the Local Government Board, hereby further order, that the said Auditor shall, as soon as he conveniently can do so, in respect of the accounts to be rendered up to the 25th day of March last, and thenceforth in like manner, and at the times before mentioned, examine, audit, and allow or disallow, according to the laws in force for the time being, the accounts of the Guardians of the Poor of the said Hackney, Poplar, Stepney, and Whitechapel Unions, and of the said parishes of Saint John, Hampstead; Saint Leonard, Shoreditch; Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; Saint George-in-the-East, and of the said hamlet of Mile End Old Town, of their several officers, and of the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor, and of all other officers of the last-mentioned unions, parishes, and hamlet, who are by law liable to account to the said Auditor.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this tenth day of July, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.



G. Sclater-Booth,
President.

H. Fleming, Secretary.