

hundred and eighty-seven, except as follows:—

In such vaults and wholly walled graves as are now existing in the churchyard burials may be allowed on condition that every coffin buried therein be separately enclosed by stonework or brickwork properly cemented.

WATTISFIELD.—Forthwith and entirely in the parish church of Wattisfield, in the county of Suffolk; and also in the churchyard, except for the burial at their decease of the following persons, viz.:—Dr. Henry Bird, Mrs. Helen Carter, Mrs. Elizabeth Knights, Mr. John Kerry, Mr. Thomas Cook, Mr. John Beart, and Mrs. Jane Beart. *C. L. Peel.*

AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 15th day of *September*, 1887.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament held in the sixteenth and seventeenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England beyond the limits of the Metropolis, and to amend the Act concerning the burial of the dead in the Metropolis," it is enacted that, in case it appears to Her Majesty in Council, upon the representation of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, that, for the protection of the public health, the opening of any new burial ground in any city or town, or within any other limits, save with the previous approval of one of such Secretaries of State, should be prohibited, or that burials in any city or town, or within any other limits, or in any burial grounds or places of burial, should be wholly discontinued, or should be discontinued subject to any exception or qualification, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order that no new burial ground shall be opened in any city or town, or within such limits, without such previous approval, or (as the case may require) that, after a time mentioned in the Order, burials in such city or town, or within such limits, or in such burial grounds or places of burial, shall be discontinued wholly, or subject to any exceptions or qualifications mentioned in such Order, and so from time to time as circumstances may require; provided always, that notice of such representation, and of the time when it shall please Her Majesty to order that the same be taken into consideration by the Privy Council, shall be published in the London Gazette, and shall be affixed on the doors of the churches or chapels of, or on some other conspicuous places within, the parishes affected by such representation, one month before such representation is so considered:

And whereas by another Act passed in the session of Parliament held in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act further to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England," it is, amongst other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, from time to time to postpone the time appointed by any Order in Council for the discontinuance of burials, or otherwise to vary any Order in Council made under any of the Acts recited in the said Act, or under the said Act (whether the time thereby appointed for the discontinuance of burials thereunder, or other

operation of such Order, shall or shall not have arrived), as to Her Majesty, with such advice as aforesaid, may seem fit:

And whereas the Right Honourable Henry Matthews, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has made a representation stating that he is of opinion that the Order of Her Majesty in Council of the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, in so far as it affects burials in the parish church and churchyard of Swanscombe, Dartford, should be varied, and that the directions hereinafter set forth should be substituted for those contained in the said Order, with respect to burials in the said church and churchyard.

And whereas Her Majesty was pleased, by Her Order in Council of the twelfth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, to give notice of such representation, and to order that the same should be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, and such Order has been published in the London Gazette, and copies thereof have been affixed as required by the said first-recited Act:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered:—

That burials be discontinued forthwith and entirely in the parish church of Swanscombe, in the county of Kent; and also in the churchyard, except as follows:—

(a.) In such vaults and wholly walled graves as are now existing in the churchyard burials may be allowed on condition that every coffin buried therein be separately enclosed by stonework or brickwork properly cemented.

(b.) In such partly walled graves as are now existing in the churchyard, provided that the earth above them can be opened to the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains, burials may be allowed of so many of the relations of those interred therein at the date of this Order as can be buried at or below that depth.

(c.) In such earthen graves now existing in the churchyard as can be opened to the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains burials may be allowed of so many of the relations of those interred therein at the date of this Order as can be buried at or below that depth.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 15th day of *September*, 1887.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament held in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act further to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England," it is, amongst other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, from time to time to postpone the time appointed by any Order in Council for the discontinuance of burials, or otherwise to vary any Order in Council made under any of the Acts recited in the said Act, or under the said Act (whether the time thereby