

A T the Court at Windsor, the 30th day of April, 1894.

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; provided also, that no such representation shall be made in relation to the burial-ground of any parish until ten days' previous notice of the intention to make such representation shall have been given to the Incumbent and Vestry Clerk or Churchwardens of such parish:

And whereas the Right Honourable Herbert Henry Asquith, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, after giving to the Incumbent and the Churchwardens of the parish hereinafter mentioned ten days' previous notice of his intention to make such representation, made a representation stating that, for the protection of the public health no new burial-ground should be opened in the parish of Saint Asaph, in the county of Flint, without the previous approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that in the parish cemetery at Saint Asaph the Regulations hereinafter set forth should be observed:

And whereas Her Majesty was pleased, by Her Order in Council of the tenth day of March last, 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 twenty-third day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, and such Order has been published in the London Gazette and copies thereof have been affixed, as required by the said Act:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that no new burial

ground shall be opened in the parish of Saint Asaph, in the county of Flint, without the previous approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that in the parish cemetery at Saint Asaph the following Regulations shall be observed:—

I. The burial ground shall be effectually fenced, and, if necessary, underdrained to such a depth as will prevent water remaining in any grave or vault.

II. The area to be used for graves shall be divided in grave spaces, to be designated by convenient marks, so that the position of each may be readily determined, and a corresponding plan kept on which each grave space shall be shown.

III. No earthen grave shall be dug within one foot of any other grave.

IV. A register of graves shall be kept in which the name, age, and date of burial in each shall be duly registered.

V. No body shall be buried in any vault or walled grave unless the coffin be separately entombed in an air-tight manner, that is by properly cemented stone or brick work which shall never be disturbed.

VI. One body only shall be buried in any common earthen grave on the same day, unless the bodies be those of members of the same family; and every coffin shall be forthwith covered with earth at least a foot thick, which shall be closely rammed down never to be again disturbed.

VII. No unvalled grave shall be re-opened within fourteen years after the burial of a person above twelve years of age, or within eight years after the burial of a child under twelve years of age, unless to bury another member of the same family; in every case a layer of earth not less than one foot thick shall be left undisturbed above the previously buried coffin; but if, on re-opening any grave, the soil be found to be offensive, such soil shall not be disturbed, and in no case shall human remains be removed from the grave.

VIII. No coffin shall be buried in any unvalled grave within four feet of the ordinary level of the ground, unless it contains the body of a child under twelve years, when it shall not be less than three feet below that level.

C. L. Peel.

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WHEREAS the Right Honourable Herbert Henry Asquith, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, after giving to the Incumbents and the Churchwardens of the parishes hereinafter mentioned ten days' previous notice of his intention to make such representation, has, under the provisions of 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," made a representation stating that, for the protection of the public health, no new burial ground should be opened in the under-mentioned parishes without the previous approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of