

without the previous approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that burials should be discontinued therein with certain modifications :

And whereas Her Majesty was pleased, by Her Order in Council of the third day of February 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 twelfth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, 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 undermentioned parishes without the previous approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that burials in the said parishes shall be discontinued, as follows : viz. :—

STICKNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.—Forthwith and entirely in the Parish Church of Stickney, in the county of Lincoln, and in the old part of the churchyard.

PARTNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.—Forthwith and entirely in the Parish Church of Partney, in the county of Lincoln, and also in the churchyard after the thirtieth June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

EAST BLATCHINGTON, SUSSEX.—Forthwith and entirely in the Parish Church of East Blatchington, in the county of Sussex; and also in the churchyard, except as follows :—

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

(b.) In partly walled graves now existing in the churchyard burials may be allowed of so many of the relations of those already interred therein as can be buried at or below the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains.

(c.) In the reserved grave spaces in the churchyard burials may be allowed of the Reverend A. J. Richardson, Mr. R. Lambe, Mr. W. Reed, at their decease, and of so many members of their families as can be buried at or below the depth of five feet.

SUTTON-WITH-SEAFORD, SUSSEX.—Forthwith and entirely in the Parish Church of Seaford, in the county of Sussex; and also in the churchyard, except as follows :—

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

(b.) In partly walled and earthen graves now existing in the churchyard burials may be allowed of the widows and widowers of those already interred therein provided the bodies can be deposited at or below the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains.

(c.) In the reserved grave spaces in the churchyard burials may be allowed of the Reverend M. H. M. Buck, Mr. George Simmons, and of so many members of their families, at their decease, as can be buried at or below the depth of five feet.

HOOK NORTON, OXFORDSHIRE.—Forthwith and entirely in the Parish Church of Hook Norton,

in the county of Oxford; and also in the churchyard, after the thirty-first December one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight except as follows :—

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

(b.) In partly walled and earthen graves now existing in the churchyard burials may be allowed of the relations of those already interred therein provided the bodies can be deposited at or below the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains.

J. H. Harrison.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 19th day of May, 1898.

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 Sir Matthew White Ridley, Baronet, 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 undermentioned parish without the previous approval