

county should be divided into two or more districts for the purposes of that Act, or that any alteration should be made of any division theretofore made under that Act, it shall be lawful for the said Justices in General or Quarter Session assembled, to resolve that a petition shall be presented to His Majesty praying that such division or alteration be made, and thereupon to adjourn the further consideration of such petition until notice thereof shall be given to the coroner or coroners of such county as thereafter provided; and that the Clerk of the Peace shall give a notice of any such resolution to every coroner for such county and of the time when the petition will be taken by the said Justices into consideration, and the Justices shall confer with every such coroner who shall attend the meeting of the Justices for that purpose touching such petition, having due regard to the size and nature of each proposed district, the number of the inhabitants, the nature of their employment, and such other circumstances as shall appear to the Justices fit to be considered in carrying into execution the provisions of the said Act; and such petition, with a description of the several proposed districts and of the boundaries thereof, with the reasons upon which the petition is founded, shall be certified to His Majesty under the hands and seals of two or more of the Justices present when such petition shall be agreed to, and the Clerk of the Peace for such county shall forthwith give, or send, a true copy of such petition, certified under his hand, to every coroner for such county, and that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, if he shall think fit, with the advice of His Privy Council, after taking into consideration any such petition and also any petition which may be presented to Him by any coroner of the same county concerning such proposed division or alteration, or whenever it shall seem fit to His Majesty to direct the issue of a Writ de Coronatore Eligendo for the purpose of authorizing the election of an additional coroner above the number of those who have been theretofore customarily elected in such county, to order that such county shall be divided into such and so many districts for the purposes of the said Act as to His Majesty, with the advice aforesaid, shall seem expedient, and to give a name to each of such districts, and every such Order shall be published in the London Gazette:

And whereas, by the Local Government Act, 1888, the powers and business of the said Justices in respect of the matters aforesaid in each county were transferred to the Council of such county:

And whereas by an Order in Council made on the 28th day of July, 1871, under the provisions of the hereinbefore first recited Act, the county of Berks was divided into four districts for coroners' purposes and the purposes of the said Act, which said districts were named respectively the Abingdon District, the Wantage District, the Newbury District, and the Reading District, and such districts were to comprise respectively the several parishes and places set forth and enumerated in the said Order:

And whereas certain alterations have been made, under or by virtue of the Reading Cor-

poration Act, 1887, and under or by virtue of various Orders of the Local Government Board, in the boundaries of the places and in the parishes included in the said Reading District by the said Order in Council of the 28th day of July, 1871:

And whereas a petition has been presented to His Majesty by the County Council of the administrative county of Berks praying that the said Reading Coroner's District constituted by the said Order in Council of the 28th day of July, 1871, might be divided into two separate coroners' districts:

And whereas the said petition, with the reasons upon which it is founded, has been duly certified to His Majesty:

And whereas all the provisions in that behalf of the hereinbefore first recited Act have been duly complied with:

And whereas the coroners for the said county have not presented any petition to His Majesty concerning the said proposed alteration:

And whereas His Majesty has, with the advice of His Privy Council, taken into consideration the said petition, and is minded to make such alteration as aforesaid, and also to direct the issue of a Writ de Coronatore Eligendo for the election of a fifth coroner for the said county:

Now therefore, His Majesty in Council, by and with the advice of His said Council, is pleased to order, direct, and declare, as it is hereby ordered, directed, and declared, that:

(1) From and after the date hereof, alteration shall be made of the division heretofore made of the county of Berks for coroners' purposes and for the purposes of the Coroners Act, 1844, as follows, that is to say, the district constituted by the Order in Council of the 28th day of July, 1871, as the Reading District shall be divided into two separate coroners' districts, to be named respectively the Reading Coroner's District and the Maidenhead Coroner's District.

(2) The said districts shall respectively comprise the several parishes and places in that behalf prescribed and mentioned in the First and Second Parts of the Schedule hereto.

(3) A Writ de Coronatore Eligendo for the election of a fifth coroner for the county of Berks shall forthwith be directed to the County Council of the administrative county of Berks.

(4) This Order shall be published in the London Gazette.

Almeric FitzRoy.

SCHEDULE.

The Districts herein described are to be deemed not to include any parishes or places, or parts thereof, which are exempt from the jurisdiction of the coroners of the county of Berks, whether such parishes or places, or parts