

Order of the Osmanieh of the Third Class, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services while actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions as Director of the Secrétariat of the Egyptian Ministry of Finance.

WHITEHALL, March 22, 1897.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Albert Crossland, Esq., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Medjidieh of the Fourth Class, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services while actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions as Secretary to the Financial Adviser of His Highness.

WHITEHALL, March 22, 1897.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Andrew Cassels Ramsey, Esq., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Medjidieh of the Fourth Class, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services while actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions as Chief Engineer to the Salt Department of the Egyptian Government.

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

(DATED 23RD MARCH 1897.)

RABIES ORDER OF 1897.

The Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 and 1896, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Notice of Disease.

1.—(1) Every person having or having had in his possession or under his charge an animal affected with or suspected of rabies shall, with all practicable speed, give notice of the fact of the animal being so affected or suspected to a constable of the police force for the police area wherein the animal so affected or suspected is or was.

(2) The constable receiving such notice shall immediately transmit the information by telegraph to the Secretary, Board of Agriculture, 4 Whitehall Place, London, S.W.

(3) The constable shall also forthwith give information of the receipt by him of the notice to an Inspector of the Local Authority, who shall forthwith report the same to the Local Authority.

Duty of Inspector to act immediately.

2. An Inspector of a Local Authority on receiving, in any manner whatsoever, information of the supposed existence of rabies, or having reasonable grounds to suspect the existence of rabies, shall proceed with all practicable speed to the place where such disease, according to the information received by him, exists, or is suspected to exist, and shall there and elsewhere put in force and discharge the powers and duties conferred and imposed on him as Inspector by or under the Act of 1894 and this Order.

Public Warning as to Existence of Disease.

3.—(1) The Local Authority may, if they think fit, give public warning by placards, advertisement, or otherwise, of the existence of rabies in any shed, stable, building, kennel, field, or other place, with or without any particular description thereof, as they think fit, and may continue to do so during the existence of the disease, and, in case of a shed, stable, building, kennel, or other like place, until the same has been cleansed and disinfected.

(2) It shall not be lawful for any person (without authority or excuse) to remove or deface any such placard.

Compulsory Slaughter of Dogs.

4. A Local Authority shall cause to be slaughtered every dog within their District which is diseased or suspected, or which has been bitten by a diseased or suspected dog.

Owners to give facilities for Slaughter.

5.—(1) Where the power of causing any dog to be slaughtered under this Order is exercised by a Local Authority, the owner and person in charge of such dog shall give all reasonable facilities for that purpose.

(2) Any person failing to comply with the provisions of this Article shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

Post-Mortem Examination.

6.—(1) Where an animal has died of, or has been slaughtered on account of, rabies or disease supposed to be rabies, the Local Authority shall, previous to the disposal of the carcase, cause a *post-mortem* examination to be made thereof, in which case such examination shall be conducted by a Veterinary Inspector or Veterinary Surgeon specially appointed in that behalf, who shall forthwith report to the Board in such form as may be required the result of such examination.

(2) The owner and the person in charge of any such carcase shall give all reasonable facilities for the purpose of such examination, and any person failing to give such facilities shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

(3) A certificate of a Veterinary Inspector to the effect that an animal is or was affected with rabies shall, for the purposes of the Act of 1894 and this Order, be conclusive evidence in all courts of justice of the matter certified.

Dogs deemed to be Exposed to Infection.

7. Every dog shall, for the purposes of this Order, be deemed to have been exposed to the infection of rabies which has been in the same shed, stable, building, kennel, field, or other place or otherwise in contact with any diseased or suspected dog, or which has in any other way been exposed to the infection of rabies.