

ence, of disease shall forthwith cause enquiry to be instituted as to the correctness of such information with the assistance and advice of a Veterinary Inspector.

(2) The owner and occupier of any premises on which there is or has been an animal affected with, or suspected of disease, or the carcase of any such animal, shall give all reasonable facilities for the enquiry by the Local Authority under this Article.

*Report by Veterinary Inspector of Local Authority to Ministry.*

5. The Veterinary Inspector of the Local Authority shall furnish to the Local Authority, and also to the Ministry, a report of every enquiry carried out by him under the preceding Article in such form as the Minister may require.

*Public Warning as to Disease.*

6.—(1) The Local Authority may, if they think fit, give public warning by placards, advertisement, or otherwise, of the existence or suspected existence of disease in any stable, building, 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 disease, and, in case of a stable, building, or other like place, until the same has been cleansed and disinfected.

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

*Detention of Diseased and Suspected Animals and Animals in Contact with Disease.*

7.—(1) The Local Authority shall cause a Notice (in the Form A set forth in the Schedule to this Order or to the like effect) to be served on the owner or person in charge of any diseased or suspected animal, and of any animal which is or has been in contact, or in the same stud, stable, building, field, or other place, with a diseased or suspected animal or with the carcase of any such animal, and on the owner or person in charge of any animal which in their opinion has been otherwise exposed to the risk of contagion.

(2) The Notice (Form A) shall require the detention of the animal in the stable, building, field, or other place, where the animal is at the date of the service of the Notice, either unconditionally or subject to such condition with a view to identification and the prevention of contact with other animals as may be prescribed in the Notice; provided that in the case of a diseased or suspected animal the Notice shall require the unconditional detention of the animal until it is slaughtered in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 or Article 9 (2) (i.) of this Order or until it is moved for the purpose of destruction in accordance with the provisions of Article 18 of this Order, or, in the case of a suspected animal, until the Notice (Form A) is withdrawn in accordance with Article 9 (2) (ii.) of this Order. After the service of such Notice it shall be unlawful to move any animal to which it relates in contravention of the terms of such Notice.

(3) A Notice (Form A) served under this

Article shall remain in force until it is withdrawn by a further Notice in writing (in the Form B set forth in the Schedule hereto or to the like effect) signed by an Inspector of the Local Authority.

(4) An Inspector shall with all practicable speed send copies of any Notice served by him under this Article to the Local Authority, and to the police officer in charge of the nearest police station of the District, and to the Ministry.

*Slaughter of Diseased Animals.*

8.—(1) A Local Authority shall with all practicable speed cause to be slaughtered any animal which appears to the Veterinary Inspector to be diseased.

(2) If the value of an animal proposed to be slaughtered under this Order, as determined in the manner provided in Article 10 of this Order, exceeds eighty pounds in the case of a horse, or twenty pounds in the case of an ass or mule, the Local Authority shall not proceed with its slaughter unless so directed by the Minister.

(3) If the owner of any animal gives notice in writing to the Local Authority or to their Inspector or other officer that he objects to the animal being slaughtered under the provisions of this Order, it shall not be lawful for the Local Authority to cause that animal to be slaughtered except with the special authority of the Minister first obtained.

*Testing of Suspected Animals and Animals in Contact with Disease.*

9.—(1) The Local Authority shall apply the mallein test to any animal detained under Article 7 of this Order, other than a diseased animal, at such intervals and as often as may be considered by a Veterinary Inspector of the Local Authority to be reasonably necessary to satisfy him that the animal is, or is not diseased. The test shall be made by a Veterinary Inspector of the Local Authority. Upon completion of the test the Veterinary Inspector shall make and sign a report of the result of the test in the Form C set forth in the Schedule hereto or to the like effect, and forward the same immediately to the Local Authority. He shall at the same time forward a copy of such report to the owner or person in charge of the animal, and also to the Ministry.

(2)—(i.) Where the report (Form C) shows that the Veterinary Inspector is of opinion that an animal is diseased, the animal shall be slaughtered by the Local Authority with all practicable speed, subject as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of Article 8 of this Order.

(ii.) Where the report (Form C) shows that the Veterinary Inspector is satisfied that an animal is not diseased, the Notice served under Article 7 of this Order shall forthwith be withdrawn in the manner therein provided.

*Valuation for Compensation.*

10. The value of an animal shall before slaughter be determined for the purpose of compensation by agreement in writing between the Local Authority and the owner of the animal, and shall, in case of dispute be de-