

(the Lord President of the Council, or one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State being one), might, by Order or Orders, to be by them made, direct that the provisions contained in the said Act for the prevention of epidemic, endemic, and contagious diseases be put in force in Great Britain, and that every such Order should be in force for six calendar months, or for such shorter period as in such Order should be expressed; and whereas by an Order of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council (the Right Honourable Viscount Palmerston, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State being one), bearing date the 28th September 1848, the said provisions of the said recited Act were directed to be put in force throughout the whole of Great Britain, for a period of six calendar months thence next ensuing; and whereas by another Order of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, (the Most Honourable the Lord President of the said Council being one,) bearing date the 27th day of March 1849, the said recited Order of the 28th September 1848 was renewed for a period of six calendar months from the date of the said last-mentioned Order; and whereas by another Order of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, (the Most Honourable the Lord President of the said Council being one), bearing date the 25th September 1849, the said first-mentioned Order was renewed for a further period of six calendar months, from the said 25th day of September 1849, which said last-mentioned Order is now in force throughout the whole of Great Britain; and whereas the General Board of Health in Great Britain are, by the said recited Act, empowered, during the continuance in force of any such Order as above recited, to issue such Directions and Regulations as the said Board shall think fit, for the prevention, as far as possible, or mitigation of such epidemic, endemic, or contagious diseases;

Now We, the General Board of Health, in exercise of the powers vested in us by the said recited Act, do hereby issue the following Directions and Regulations to extend to, and to be observed in the township of Manchester, within the Manchester Union, in the County of Lancaster, in Great Britain; and which Directions and Regulations we do hereby confine to the limits of the said township of Manchester, within the said Union:

1st. That the existing division of the Manchester township into five districts for medical relief be retained.

2nd. That the five Medical Officers at present attached to those districts shall act as Medical Superintendents, each acting as such within his respective district, and that each such Superintendent shall be responsible for the proper carrying out of the measures of prevention and relief hereinafter directed.

3rd. That five Dispensaries, situated in convenient parts of the said township, be opened, and continue open every day and every night; each Dispensary to be provided with a person in constant attendance, capable of administering medicine to all necessitous applicants; and that one of the Medical Officers of each district shall, in rotation, attend during every night at the Dispensary of his district, who shall attend to all calls throughout the district during the night.

4th. That a staff of thirteen Medical Officers be provided and located in the five medical relief districts, in such proportions as the necessities of each district may require, and who shall take the medical charge of all persons who may apply, or who may be referred to them within their respective districts; and that all necessitous cases be attended without a relieving officer's note.

5th. That nine Medical Visitors be appointed to make a daily visitation from house to house in the said districts, or some of them, according to the necessities of each, and that such visitors have with them a sufficient quantity of medicine for the treatment of cholera, or its premonitory symptoms.

6th. That a House of Refuge, with sixty beds, and suitable accommodations, be provided for the reception of persons whom it may be desirable to remove from infected localities.

7th. That an additional Cholera Hospital be provided in a convenient situation, with suitable accommodation, and a sufficient number of nurses.

8th. That a supply of nurses for attending on cholera patients, in their own houses, be provided.

9th. That a supply of blankets be provided at the Dispensaries, to be lent out to the poor on the recommendation of the district Medical Officers or superintendents.

10th. That notices be printed and carefully distributed from house to house throughout the districts, clearly detailing the arrangements made, and the places where application is to be made, in case of attack.

11th. That, if the Superintendents shall report to the Guardians that additional medical aid is necessary, the Board of Guardians shall immediately provide such additional aid, and the Superintendents shall transmit copies of such reports to the General Board of Health.

And in further exercise of the powers vested in us by the said recited Act, We do hereby direct, authorize, and require you, the Guardians of the Poor of the said Union, forthwith to provide, in the manner specified, in the above Directions and Regulations, for the dispensing of medicines, and for affording to persons afflicted by, or threatened with any epidemic, endemic, or contagious disease, such medical aid as may be required; and by yourselves or your officers, or by any persons employed by you in the administration of the laws for the relief of the poor, or by officers specially appointed in that behalf, forthwith to superintend and to see to the execution of the above Directions and Regulations, and to do and provide all such acts, matters, and things, as may be necessary for executing the same.

Given under our hands, and under the seal of the General Board of Health, in Great Britain, this twenty-seventh day of September one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

(L. S.) (Signed) CARLISLE.  
EDWIN CHADWICK.  
T. SOUTHWOOD SMITH.

To the Trustees of the Poor of the Parish of SAINT LEONARD, SHOREDITCH, and to all Others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS by the Act 11th and 12th Victoria, cap. 123, intituled "An Act to renew and amend an Act of the tenth year of Her present Majesty, for the more speedy removal of certain nuisances, and the prevention of contagious and epidemic diseases," and by virtue of an Order of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, bearing date the 25th day of September 1849, directing that the provisions of the said Act be continued in force throughout the whole of Great Britain; We, the General Board of Health, are authorized to issue such Directions and Regulations as the said Board shall think fit, for the prevention, as far as possible, or mitigation of epidemic, endemic, and contagious diseases;