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A T the Council-Chamber, Whitehall, the 6th day of March 1832,

By the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

HEREAS by an Act, passed in the second year of the reign of His present Majesty, intituled " An Act for the prevention, as far as may be possi-"ble, of the disease, called the cholera, or spas-" modic, or Indian cholera, in England," it is, amongst other things, enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, or any two or more of them (of whom the Lord President of the Council, or one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for the time being, shall always be one), by any Order or Orders to be by them from time to time made, to establish, and again, from time to time, by any such Order or Orders, to revoke, renew, alter, or vary all such new rules and regulations as to them may appear necessary or expedient for the prevention, as far as may be possible, of the spreading of the said disease, called the cholcra, or spasmodic, or Indian cholera, in England or Wales, or any part thereof,

or for the relief of any persons suffering under, or likely to be affected by, the said disease:

And whereas it is further enacted by the said Act, that all and every the expences which may be reasonably or properly incurred, in carrying into effect any Order of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, made as aforesaid, shall, under and by virtue of an order in writing of one justice of the peace, dwelling in or near the parish or division (and which said order any such justice is thereby empowered and directed to make), commanding the churchwardens, overseers, or guardians of the poor, for the time being, to pay a certain sufficient sum of money for such purpose, be defrayed out of the rates for the relief of the poor of the parish, township, or extra parochial place maintaining its own poor, in which the same shall be incurred, and, in other extra parochial places, out of the poors' rate of the parish nearest adjoining;

And whereas the said disease hath extended to different parts of Great Britain, and other parts thereof may be affected by the same;

And whereas it doth appear to the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy

Council (of whom the Lord President of the Council is one) necessary and expedient, in order to promote, under certain restrictions, the separation of persons infected, or likely to be infected, with the said disease, from other classes of His Majesty's subjects, and to provide accommodation for the reception and relief of persons suffering under, or likely to be affected by, the said disease, that all select vestries, or, where there are no select vestries established, all rated inhabitants of parishes, townships, ecclesiastical divisions, or any other places whatsoever maintaining their own poor, in vestry assembled, in cities, towns, and districts of England and Wales now affected with, or which may be in immediate danger of being affected with, the said disease, should be permitted and suffered, where they think fit so to do, to invest and entrust their respective Boards of Health, established for such parishes or places, and constituted by an Order of the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honouralle Privy Council, with sufficient powers and authority to provide temporary hospitals, with all necessary articles for the reception and cure of persons affected with the said disease, and also houses of observation for the reception of persons whom it may be necessary or proper to remove from communication with infected persons; it is, therefore, ordered by the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council (of whom the Lord President of the Council is one) in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in them by the before recited Act, and of all other powers, enabling them in that behalf, that every Board of Health which now is, or hereafter shall be, constituted by virtue of any Order or Orders of His Majesty's Privy Council, certified under the hand of one of the Clerks in Ordinary of the Privy Council, shall and may, by their chairman or secretary, apply to, request and desire the acting parish officers, or district churchwardens for the time being of the parish, township, ecclesiastical division, district, or place, for which Boards of Health are appointed, to convene a meeting of the select vestry of such parish or place, or in parishes and places where no select vestry is established, to convene a meeting of the inhabitants in parish vestry, which said meetings in select, or in parish vestries, the said parish officers, or district churchwardens, are hereby directed and commanded to call and convene as early as can conveniently be done, after the publication of the usual notices of the time and place of holding the same; and at such meetings

may submit to such select or parish vestries proposals for their permission and consent that such Boards of Health should be empowered and enabled to contract for, engage, and hire, and by themselves, their servants; or others, to possess, hold, and occupy any messuage, house, or other suitable building, and te erect any temporary buildings upon land belonging to the parish, or where there is no land belonging to the parish, conveniently situate for the site of such buildings, to contract for the use and occupation of land for such purpose of erecting temporary buildings thereon, and to establish all, and every such messuages, houses, buildings, and temporary erections, so hired or constructed as aforesaid as cholera hospitals, or as houses of observation, for the reception of persons not at the time affected with the said decease, but whom it may be necessary or proper to remove from communication with infected persons; also to procure and purchase a sufficient and necessary supply of beds, food, clothing, fuel, and medicine, and toengage medical assistance and nurses, snd other necessary attendants; and if such select vestries: or parish vestries shall consent and agree, by a. majority of the votes of the members or inhabitants then present, taken in the usual and ordinary-manner of voting at such select; or parish: vestries, that it is salutary and expedient to confersuch authority and powers upon the Board of Health appointed for such parish or place, then it. shall and may be lawful for such Boards of Health,and they are hereby empowered and authorised: to undertake, enter upon, do and perform all the acts, deeds, matters, and things required of them. in the execution of such their trusts, under the? authority and by virtue of this Order of the Lordsand others of the Privy Council (of whom the Lord President of the Council is one), with. power to remove and convey, or cause to be conveyed, to any such cholera hospital, so established as aforesaid, any person infected with the said disease, and consenting to be removed from his or her habitation, and to place in any such house of observation as aforesaid, any person or persons whom, in the opinion of two medical practitioners, signified by a certificate in writing under their hands, : it may be necessary or proper to remove from co.n-: munication with infected persons, or from confined and crowded situations: but if such select vestries, or parish vestries, shall not agree and determine, by a majority of the votes of the members or inrespectively, every such Board of Health shall and habitants then present, taken in the usual and ordimany manner of voting at such vestries, that it is salutary and expedient to confer such powers upon the Boards of Health appointed for such parishes or places respectively, then it is ordered and enjoined, that no such authority or powers shall be claimed or exercised by any Board of Health in any parish or place, except when such and any other authority and powers shall, upon due consideration of the premises, be conferred and given to any such Boards of Health by any Order or Orders to be made by the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, certified under the hand of one of the Clerks in Ordinary of the Privy Council:

And for the discharge and payment of all such expences not exceeding an ascertained and specified amount, to be in every case fixed and declared by such select or parish vestries, and which shall be reasonably and properly incurred by any Board of Health, so constituted and empowered as aforesaid in the execution of their trust, and in carrying into effect this Order of the Lords and others of the Privy Council, it shall be lawful for all such Boards of Health, and they are hereby authorised and directed, to make application, by their chairman or secretary, to some justice of the peace living in or near the parish or division, to make an order in writing upon the parish officers, or district churchwardens of the parish or place, commanding them to pay a certain specified sum of money for such purpose out of the rates levied, or next thereafter to be levied, for the relief of the poor of such parish or place, which order every such justice of the peace (all previous accounts of any such Board of Health having been regularly kept, verified and allowed in the manner hereinafter directed before any second or further order is made) is hereby required and enjoined to make in pursuance and exercise of the power vested in him by the before recited Act:

And it is hereby further ordered, that the secretary or clerk of all such Boards of Health, so constituted and empowered as aforesaid, shall and do keep a full, true, and complete account in writing, fairly entered in a book to be kept for that purpose, of all sums of money by such Board received, laid out, and expended, and also of all goods, chattels, furniture, apparel, and other necessaries purchased by such Boards for the use of any cholera hospital or house of observation, such account to be examined and signed at the end of every week by the chairman of such Board; and the said book shall be carefully preserved by such secretary or clerk, and such secretary or clerk shall, and he is hereby

the select vestry, or any inhabitant assessed to the poors' rate of the said parish or place, to inspect such book upon application in writing to the chairman of such Board of Health, at any reasonable time, within fourteen days before the general or quarter sessions; and it is hereby further ordered and commanded, that such account, so signed as aforesaid, shall be verified on oath by the said secretary or clerk before the justices of the peace, at the next general or quarter sessions assembled; and it shall be lawful for such justices in sessions, and they are hereby required and directed to signify their allowance and approbation of any such account under their hands at the foot of such account; and. in case the said justices are not satisfied to allow and approve such account, then they may, and they arehereby authorised and empowered, if they shall so think fit for any grave reasons, to examine into the matter of every such account, and to administer an oath, or affirmation to such secretary, or to any member of the Board of Health, or to any personcontracting or dealing with, or supplying labour or materials to such Board of Health, and to specify at the foot of such account, every such charge or payment, and: its amount, as to them the said parties shall appear exorbitant, unreasonable, and improper: and in case such secretary or clerk of any such Board of Health, so constituted and empowered as aforesaid, shall refuse, or neglect to keep, or to verify such accounts before the justices in sessions, by oath as aforesaid, or shall wilfully make any false entry, therein, or give any false account thereof, such secretary or clerk is hereby warned and admonished. that the penalties and punishments consequent upon. any disobedience to this Order, and to the provisions. of the before recited Act, will, forthwith be enforced. against him.

And the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most; Honourable Privy Council (of whom the Lord President of the Council is one) do hereby declare, that. for all acts, deeds, matters, and things, which may be necessarily, reasonably, and properly done by any such select vestry, parish vestry, board of health. constituted and empowered in the manner aforesaid, and by any such justice of the peace, Justices in. sessions, overseers, churchwardens, district churchwardens, guardians of the poor, and others of His. Majesty's subjects, in execution and furtherance of thepresent Order of the Lords and others in Council, or. of any order so to be made by any such justice of. the peace as aforesaid, this Order shall be their full, and sufficient warrant. C. C. Greville.

