

amount, to be in every case fixed and declared by such burgh or parish meetings, 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 authorized and directed to make application, by their chairman or secretary, to the magistrates of the burgh, or any four of the principal heritors of the parish, to contribute and advance such sum as may be necessary, either out of the assessments by the said Act authorised and directed, or, in the event of such assessments not being then realised, on the credit of such assessments:

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 necessities 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 ordered and commanded to permit any inhabitant assessed under the said Act to inspect such book, upon application in writing to the chairman of such Board of Health, at any seasonable time, within fourteen days before the general or quarter sessions; and it is hereby further ordered and commanded, that such accounts, 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 are hereby 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 person contracting 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 justices 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 of 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 Board of Health, constituted and empowered in the manner aforesaid, and by any such justice of the peace, justices in sessions, magistrates, commissioners of police, heritors, and others of His Majesty's subjects, in execution and furtherance of the present 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.