

bounds thereof, unless for any good and sufficient reasons which shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the said Board of Health, such Board shall determine that the regulation can be safely dispensed with in any particular excepted case, when it is further directed that the express grounds of such particular exception shall be truly and at length stated and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of such Board of Health, and a copy of such entry shall forthwith be transmitted to the Clerk in Ordinary of the Privy Council, for the information of their Lordships; and the Lords of the Privy Council do further command and order that the interment of all persons certified by any medical practitioner to have died of the said disease of spasmodic, or Indian cholera, shall take place within the space of twenty-four hours from the time of the death of every such person, and all the relations and nearest friends of every person so dying, and all other His Majesty's subjects having controul over the disposal of the respective bodies, are hereby strongly enjoined, ordered, and directed to enforce the performance of this provision, under the pain of incurring the penalties denounced in the before recited Act, against all persons guilty of disobedience to the Orders of their Lordships in Council: and every such Board of Health is hereby empowered and allowed to discharge the funeral expences of all persons dying of the said disease within the jurisdiction of the said Board, whose relations or friends shall procure the interment of the body within the before limited time of twenty-four hours after the decease of such persons, and according to the directions of the said Board of Health; also with full power and authority for every such Board of Health to burn and destroy, or cause to be burnt and destroyed, such clothes, bedding, or any other articles belonging to, or used by the deceased, in his or her lifetime as the said Board shall deem necessary to be destroyed, paying the value thereof to their legal representatives, to be charged upon the poors' rate of the parish in which such person died: but if such meetings in burghs or parish shall not agree and determine by a majority of the votes of the members then present, taken in the usual and ordinary manner of voting at such meetings, that it is

salutary and expedient to confer all or any of such powers upon the Boards of Health appointed for such parishes or places respectively, or if such owners of the soil as aforesaid shall not consent to the opening and scouring, or the closing and covering of drains and ditches, and pools, at the expence of the parish as aforesaid, then it is ordered and enjoined that no such authority or powers, and no part of such powers as shall be refused or withheld by such vestries, shall be claimed or exercised by any Board of Health in any parish or place, except when such, or 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 defraying all and every the expences which may be necessarily incurred in carrying into effect this Order of the Lords of the Privy Council, it shall be lawful for all such Boards of Health, so constituted and empowered as aforesaid, and they are hereby authorised 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 last-mentioned Act authorised and directed, or in the event of such assessments not then being realized, on the credit of such assessments; and all police and peace officers, all constables and headboroughs, and all others His Majesty's subjects, are hereby required to be aiding and assisting in the execution of this Order:

And the Lords and others of His Majesty's 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 and properly done by any such burgh magistrates and commissioners of police, Boards of Health, members of Kirk sessions, heritors, inspectors, peace officers, constables, headboroughs, and others of His Majesty's subjects, in execution and furtherance of this present Order, this Order shall be their full and sufficient warrant.

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