

as cemeteries for cholera-patients by all the parishes within the said city or liberties thereof, without calling upon any such parishes to defray or bear any part of the expence of providing such burial grounds; unless the payment of a certain rateable proportion of such expences, out of the funds of each parish, shall be directed by any Order of the Lords of the Privy Council hereafter to be issued, and certified under the hand of one of the Clerks in Ordinary of the Privy Council: provided always, that such lands, so provided for the purposes of interment of persons dying of the said disease within the said city, and the liberties thereof, shall be freehold or copyhold of inheritance, and shall be duly consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese, and shall never afterwards be applied to any profane use; when, and so soon as any such Boards of Health, so authorised and empowered as aforesaid, shall have procured any such burying-grounds without the walls, limits, or bounds of the said city, but within a reasonable and convenient distance of the same, and shall have made all the necessary provisions and arrangements for the interment of bodies therein, then, in such case, the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, (of whom the Lord President of the Council is one); do hereby strictly forbid, prohibit, and interdict the interment of any person whomsoever, certified by a medical practitioner to have died of the said disease of spasmodic or Indian cholera, within the said city, in any church, church-yard, chapel, chapel-yard, cemetery, vault, burying-ground, or other place whatever used for the reception of dead bodies, within the walls, limits, and bounds, or liberties 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 into 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 within the said city, or the liberties thereof, 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 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 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 rate levied for the relief of the poor:

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 magistrates, Boards of Health, medical practitioners, overseers, churchwardens, guardians of the poor, 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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