

disease, to issue an Order, dispensing with the holding of inquests in the prisons of the said city:

It is, therefore, ordered by the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council (of whom Viscount Melbourne, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is one), that the gaoler or keeper of every prison in the said city shall and may, and he is hereby authorised and empowered, on the certificate in writing of the gaol surgeon, that any prisoner has died of the said disease of cholera, or spasmodic, or Indian cholera, within the walls of such prison, to bury, or cause to be buried, the body of such prisoner, within twenty-four hours after his or her decease, without any coroner or jury being summoned, or an inquest held upon the same:

Provided always, that nothing in this present Order contained, shall extend, or be taken or construed to extend, to the investing of the said gaolers or keepers with any power or authority to omit, or forbid or prevent, the holding of inquests by the coroner upon the bodies of persons dying in prison, beyond the limits of the present year:

And the Lords and others of His Majesty's Privy Council (of whom Viscount Melbourne, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is one) do hereby declare, that for all acts, deeds, matters, and things properly done by the said gaolers and keepers, and others His Majesty's subjects, in execution and furtherance of this present Order, this Order shall be their full and sufficient warrant.

C. C. Greville.

AT the Council-Chamber, *Whitehall*, the 31st day of *August* 1832,

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

WHEREAS 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 possible, of the disease, called the cholera, or spasmodic, 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 rules and regulations, or to substitute any 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 cholera, 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 was further enacted by the said Act, that all and every the expences which shall be reasonably and 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 some 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 many parts of Great Britain, and other parts thereof may be affected by the same:

And whereas by an Order made on the nineteenth day of July last past, by the Lords and others of His Majesty's Privy Council (of whom the Lord President of the Council was one), it was, amongst other things, ordered and directed that every Board of Health, constituted by an Order of the Lords of the Privy Council, should and might apply to the select or parish vestry of the parish, township, ecclesiastical division, district, or place for which such Boards of Health are appointed, for authority and powers to carry into effect the purposes before recited, and the measures of precaution in the said Order described, and to provide a certain sufficient sum of money for the discharge of the necessary expences thereof, of which the amount should be declared and fixed by the said vestries:

And whereas it hath been shewn to the satisfaction of their Lordships, that application for such powers and provisions as aforesaid, together with an estimate and statement of all the necessary expences, and a request for the funds to meet them, amounting in the whole to the sum of fifty pounds, hath been made by the Board of Health appointed for the town of Almondbury, to the select vestry of that place, such vestry being duly convened in the manner in the said Order of the nineteenth day of July directed; when the select vestry declined or avoided to give authority and directions to the said Board of Health, and to provide the said sum of fifty pounds, or any part thereof, such grant of money being applied for by the said Board of Health to provide for the expences of carrying into effect the purposes of prevention of the before-recited Act, and the measures of preparation and precaution prescribed in the before-mentioned Order of their Lordships, founded thereon:

It is, therefore, ordered by the Lords and others of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council (of whom Viscount Melbourne, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is one), in pursuance of the powers vested in them by the before-recited Act, that so much of the Order in Council