

and seventeenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England beyond the limits of the Metropolis, and to amend the Act concerning the burial of the dead in the Metropolis," made a representation stating that, for the protection of the public health, no new burial ground should be opened in the undermentioned parishes, without the previous approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that interments in the same should be discontinued, with the following modifications; viz.:

**WITTON-CUM-TWAMBROOKS.**—Forthwith wholly within the church and within three yards of the school-house; also in the old part of the churchyard, except for the burial of widowers, widows, parents, and children of those already buried therein in now existing vaults or walled graves, in which each coffin shall be separately entombed, that is, enclosed by stone or brickwork properly cemented; except also in such earthen graves as can be opened, not less than five feet deep, without exposure of coffins or disturbance of entire bones; and interment to be discontinued, except for the burial of the widowers, widows, parents, and children of those previously buried, in the whole of the churchyard after the thirty-first December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

**HARBLEDOWN, KENT.**—Forthwith wholly in the church, and also in the churchyard, except in vaults and walled graves in which each coffin shall be separately entombed, that is, enclosed by brickwork or stonework properly cemented, or with concrete, and except in earthen graves which can be opened without the exposure of coffins or disturbance of entire bones, no such grave to be less than five feet deep.

**CLIFTON-ON-TEME.**—Forthwith wholly in the church.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty in Council is pleased hereby to give notice of such representation, and to order that the same be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on the twenty-third day of June next:

And Her Majesty is further pleased to direct that this Order be forthwith published in the London Gazette; and that copies thereof be affixed on the doors of the churches or chapels of; or on some conspicuous places within; the parishes affected by such representation, one month before the said twenty-third day of June next.

*Arthur Helps.*

AT the Court at Windsor, the 9th day of May, 1866.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act further to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England," it is, amongst other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, from time to time, to postpone the time appointed by any Order in

Council for the discontinuance of burials, or otherwise to vary any Order in Council made under any of the Acts recited in the said Act, or under the said Act (whether the time thereby appointed for the discontinuance of burials thereunder, or other operation of such Order, shall or shall not have arrived), as to Her Majesty, with such advice as aforesaid, may seem fit;

And whereas an Order in Council has been made, directing the discontinuance of burials in the churchyard and burial-ground hereinafter mentioned, from the time specified in such Order; and whereas it seems fit to Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, that the time for discontinuing burials in the said churchyard and burial-ground be postponed;

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice aforesaid, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the time for the discontinuance of burials in such churchyard and burial-ground be postponed as follows; viz.:

In St. John's Churchyard, and the New Connection Burial-ground, Dukinfield, to the thirty-first of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

And whereas by an Order in Council of the twenty-fourth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, it was directed that burials should be wholly discontinued from and after the first of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, in the burial-ground of the Independent Chapel, Stalybridge, which Order has since been varied; and whereas it is deemed expedient that the said Order be further varied: Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that such Order be modified so as to permit the continuance of interments in the burial-ground of the Independent Chapel, Stalybridge, until the thirty-first December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, for the members of the families of those already buried therein; no coffin to be buried in any grave less than four feet deep, or placed within a foot of any other coffin, unless it be enclosed by concrete not less than six inches thick, or embedded in charcoal, and enclosed by stonework or brickwork properly cemented.

*Arthur Helps.*

War Office, May 11, 1866.

THE Queen has been pleased to issue a Commission under Her Royal Sign Manual, of which the following is a copy, to enquire into the operation of the laws at present in force for raising Men to serve in the Army, and into the existing system of recruiting the Army:—

VICTORIA, R.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith:

To Our right trusty and well-beloved Cousin and Councillor Fox, Earl of Dalhousie, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, and Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath;

To Our right trusty and well-beloved Cousin and Councillor William Lygon, Earl of Longford, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, and Colonel in Our Army;

To Our right trusty and well-beloved Cousin and Councillor Charles, Viscount Eversley, Lieu-