

trial, and to take all proper steps for their transmission to the said Gaol, and their maintenance by the way, and the Gaoler of the said Gaol shall receive such prisoners into his charge and custody on their arrival, and shall keep and maintain them in the said Gaol until they are either ordered to be discharged or remanded by proper authority, or until they shall have been tried and sentenced, and proper arrangements have been made for their being sent back to the prison from which they were sent for trial.

15. The Clerk of Assize at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County shall have all powers of taxation of Bills of Costs, expenses of prosecution and witnesses, and all other powers necessary for checking and paying such costs relating to the trial of prisoners that the Clerk of Assize in the county where such prisoners were committed would have had if such prisoner had been tried at the Assizes held in such last-mentioned county.

Where any person is committed for trial in the said Spring Assize County, any Judge of the High Court of Justice, or the committing Justice or Justices, or any two of the Justices of the county or place from which he is committed, may, upon the application of such prisoner, direct the Treasurer of the county or place where the prisoner was committed to advance to the prisoner a sum not exceeding 20*l.* to enable him to defray the travelling expenses of his witnesses, and the Treasurer shall advance such sum, and shall deduct it out of the amount ultimately allowed in respect of such witnesses.

16. In any case where money is ordered by the Court at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County to be paid in respect of costs and expenses of prosecutors and witnesses, the same shall be paid by the Treasurer of the county or place by whom the same would have been payable had a like Order been made by a Court of Oyer and Terminer or Gaol Delivery in the county where the trial would have taken place but for the Spring Assizes Act and this Order; and every such Treasurer or some known Agent on his behalf shall attend the said Spring Assizes during the sitting of the Court to pay all such Orders.

17. Where the Court at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County remand a prisoner or adjourn any trial, or otherwise make an order respecting a prisoner committed for trial but not acquitted or convicted, the Court may make such order with respect to the removal of such prisoner to a prison in the county or place in which he was committed for trial as to the Court seems just, and the prisoner may be removed accordingly, without any writ of Habeas Corpus.

18. Nothing in this Order shall authorise the trial at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County of any person who shall have been admitted to bail, and shall not at the time of the holding of such Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County be in custody, unless such person is jointly charged with another person in actual custody.

19. Except where the context otherwise requires, terms used in this Order shall have the same meaning as that which the same terms have in the Spring Assizes Act, 1879.

20. This Order, unless earlier revoked, shall be in force during the continuance of the Spring Assizes, 1879.

*C. L. Peel.*

AT the Court at Windsor, the 22nd day of March, 1879.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IN pursuance of the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Most Honourable Privy Council, to order as follows:—

1. The County of Salop and the County of Stafford shall, for the purpose of the next Spring Assizes, be united together and form one county, under the name of the Spring Assize County, No. 13.

2. The said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County shall be held at Stafford.

3. The Court at the said Spring Assizes at Stafford shall have jurisdiction to try any prisoner committed in the said Spring Assize County who may be brought before it, and shall have the same powers with respect to the trial of and passing sentence upon such prisoner as a Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery would have had at the Assizes in the county where, but for the said Spring Assizes Act, such prisoner would have been tried.

The provision of Section three of the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, shall apply to the execution of any capital sentence passed at such Assizes as herein mentioned; provided that the expression in the said Section "the Sheriff of the County for which such Assizes were held" shall mean the Sheriff of the County in which the prisoner so sentenced would have been tried if the Winter Assizes Act, 1876, the Winter Assizes Act, 1877, and the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, had not been passed.

4. The Sheriff of the County of Stafford shall alone act for the purpose of the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County, and subject to the provisions of this Order shall have jurisdiction for that purpose over the whole district constituting the said Spring Assize County, and precepts and other documents relating to the said Spring Assizes shall be addressed to him alone.

5. The Gaol Delivery precept of the Judges to the said Sheriff shall direct him to summon the Grand Jurors and Petty Jurors from the County of Stafford, and the Jurors so summoned shall be deemed to be good and lawful men of the body of the several counties constituting the said Spring Assize County, and the Grand and Petty Jury formed out of those Jurors shall be deemed to be a Grand and Petty Jury respectively of the body of the said counties respectively, and shall have jurisdiction accordingly.

6. The precepts of the Judges to the said Sheriff shall direct him to cause the prisoners from all the prisons in the said Spring Assize County who under the provisions of this Order will have to be tried at Stafford, to be brought there, and the Sheriff shall cause such prisoners to be brought accordingly without any writ of Habeas Corpus.

7. In all matters not before specifically mentioned the precepts to the said Sheriff shall direct him to issue, and he shall issue the like notices, precepts, warrants, and documents, and perform the same acts (*mutatis mutandis*) as if he were Sheriff for the whole of the said Spring Assize County; and all Under Sheriffs, Bailiffs, Constables, and Officers in the said Spring Assize County shall obey accordingly.

8. The said Sheriff shall, as to all matters in relation to such Spring Assizes for which no specific provision is made by this Order, have