

"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," it is enacted that, in case it appears to Her Majesty in Council, upon the representation of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State that, for the protection of the public health, the opening of any new burial-ground in any city or town, or within any other limits, save with the previous approval of one of such Secretaries of State, should be prohibited, or that burials in any city or town, or within any other limits, or in any burial-ground or places of burial, should be wholly discontinued or should be discontinued subject to any exception or qualification, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order that no new burial-ground shall be opened in any city or town, or within such limits, without such previous approval, or (as the case may require) that, after a time mentioned in the Order, burials in such city or town, or within such limits, or in such burial-grounds or places of burial, shall be discontinued wholly, or subject to any exceptions or qualifications mentioned in such Order, and so from time to time as circumstances may require; provided always, that notice of such representation, and of the time when it shall please Her Majesty to order that the same be taken into consideration by the Privy Council, shall be published in the London Gazette, and shall be affixed on the doors of the churches or chapels of, or on some other conspicuous places within, the parishes affected by such representation, one month before such representation is so considered: Provided also, that no such representation shall be made in relation to the burial-ground of any parish until ten days' previous notice of the intention to make such representation shall have been given to the Incumbent and Vestry Clerk or Churchwardens of such parish:

And whereas by another 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 the Right Honourable Sir William Vernon Harcourt, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, after giving to the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the parish hereinafter mentioned ten days' previous notice of his intention to make such representation, has made a representation stating that he is of opinion that the Order of Her Majesty in Council of the eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, in so far as it affects burials in the Parish Church and Churchyard of Fairford, in the county of Gloucester, should be varied by substituting for the directions therein contained in respect of burials in the said Church and Churchyard the following directions, viz.:

That burials be discontinued forthwith and wholly in the Parish Church of Fairford, in the county of Gloucester; and also in the churchyard after the first day of May, one

thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, except as follows:—

(a.) In such vaults as are now existing in the churchyard burials may be allowed on condition that every coffin buried therein be separately enclosed by stonework or brickwork properly cemented.

(b.) In such partly walled graves as are now existing in the churchyard, provided that the earth above them can be opened to the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains, burials may be allowed of so many of the relations of those interred therein at the date of the Order as can be buried at or below that depth.

(c.) In such earthen graves now existing in the churchyard as can be opened to the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains burials may be allowed of so many of the relations of those interred therein at the date of the Order as can be buried at or below that depth.

(d.) In such reserved spaces in the churchyard (as have never before been buried in and when opened are free from water) burials may be allowed of so many members of the families to whom they may be allotted as can be buried at or below the depth of five feet.

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 fourteenth day of February 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 fourteenth day of February.

*C. L. Peel.*

At the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 30th day of *December*, 1884.

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 Orders in Council have been made directing the discontinuance of burials in the churchyards hereinafter mentioned from the time specified in such Orders; 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 churchyards 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 discon-