

**RATES OF INTEREST ON LOCAL LOANS.**  
**NOTICE.**

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that, in pursuance of the power conferred upon them by the Public Works Loans Act, 1897 (60 and 61 Vict., cap. 51, sec. 1), they have been pleased to direct, by their Minute of the 18th January, 1900, that on loans granted out of the Local Loans Fund, on the security of local rates subsequently to the date of that Minute, there shall be chargeable, in lieu of the rates of interest fixed by their Minute of the 2nd November, 1899, the following rates of interest, viz. :—

Period of Repayment.	Rates of Interest.
Not exceeding 30 years ...	3½ per cent. per annum
Not exceeding 40 years ...	3½ per cent. per annum
Not exceeding 50 years ...	3½ per cent. per annum

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall,  
January 19, 1900.

**LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.**

THE Board of Trade have, after modification, confirmed an Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners, and entitled the Basingstoke and Alton Light Railway (Amendment) Order, 1900, amending the Basingstoke and Alton Light Railway Order, 1897.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens,  
January 17, 1900.

**LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.**

THE Board of Trade have confirmed an Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners, and entitled the North Lincolnshire Light Railway Order, 1900, authorizing the construction of a Light Railway in the county of Lincoln, from Lincoln to Scawby.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens,  
January 17, 1900.

**THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS,  
1894 AND 1896.**

THE Board of Agriculture have appointed Frank Townshend Wilson to be a Temporary District Inspector for the purposes of the above-mentioned Acts, vice Frederic William Carter appointed Inspector.

Board of Agriculture, 8th January, 1900.

**ORDER OF THE BOARD OF  
AGRICULTURE.**

(DATED 17TH JANUARY 1900.)

**ORKNEY (STRANGLES) ORDER OF  
1900.**

THE Board of Agriculture, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 and 1896, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :

*Extension of certain Sections of Diseases of  
Animals Act, 1894.*

1. Horses, asses, and mules shall be animals and strangles of horses asses, and mules (in this Order called strangles) shall be a disease for the purposes of this Order and of the following sections of the Act of 1894 (namely) :

Sections nineteen and twenty (slaughter and compensation) ;  
Section forty-three (powers of police) ;  
Section forty-four (powers of inspectors) ;  
and also for the purposes of all other sections of the said Act containing provisions relative to or consequent on the provisions of those sections and this Order, including such sections as relate to offences or procedure.

*Separation of Diseased and Suspected Animals  
and Notice of Disease.*

2. Every person having in his possession or under his charge a horse, ass, or mule affected with or suspected of strangles shall (a) as far as practicable keep that animal separate from animals not so affected or suspected ; and (b) with all practicable speed give notice of the fact of the horse, ass, or mule being so affected or suspected to an Inspector of the Local Authority or to one of his Assistants who shall forthwith report the same to the Local Authority.

*Duty of Inspector to act immediately.*

3. An Inspector of the Local Authority on receiving in any manner whatsoever information of the supposed existence of strangles, or having reasonable ground to suspect the existence of strangles, shall proceed with all practicable speed to the place where such disease, according to the information received by him, exists, or is suspected to exist, and shall there and elsewhere put in force and discharge the powers and duties conferred and imposed on him as Inspector by or under the Act of 1894 and this Order.

*Public Warning as to Existence of Strangles.*

4.—(1.) The Local Authority may, if they think fit, give public warning by placards, advertisement, or otherwise, of the existence of strangles in any stable, building, field, or other place, with or without any particular description thereof, as they think fit, and may continue to do so during the existence of the disease, and in case of a stable, building, or other like place, until the same has been cleansed and disinfected.

(2.) It shall not be lawful for any person (without authority or excuse) to remove or deface any such placard.

*Slaughter.*

5.—(1.) The Local Authority may, if they think fit, cause to be slaughtered—

- (i.) any horse, ass, or mule affected with strangles ; or
- (ii.) any horse, ass, or mule being or having been in the same stable, building, field, or other place in which strangles exists or is suspected to exist, or being or having been in contact with a horse, ass, or mule affected with strangles.

(2.) Provided, that if the owner of the horse, ass, or mule gives notice in writing to the Local Authority, or their Inspector or other officer, that he objects to the horse, ass, or mule being slaughtered, it shall not be lawful for the Local Authority to cause that horse, ass, or mule to be slaughtered except with the further special authority of the Board first obtained.

*Compensation.*

6. The Local Authority shall, except as herein-after provided, pay out of the local rate as compensation for any horse, ass, or mule slaughtered under this Order, the value of the horse, ass, or mule immediately before it was slaughtered.

*Regulations of Local Authority as to Movement.*

7. The Local Authority may, with the view of preventing the spreading of strangles, make