



HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to direct that the following Despatch with Enclosures be published for general information.

(CIRCULAR.)

Downing Street, 26th January, 1867.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you, for your information, the accompanying copies of Orders and Regulations, which have been made by the Lords of the Privy Council, relating to the Public Health, and of Directions and Regulations issued by the Board of Supervision in Scotland under their Lordships' Order of the 4th of June last, putting in force the Provisions of Part 2 of the Nuisances Removal (Scotland) Act, together with copies of three Memoranda, which have been drawn up by the Medical Officer of the Privy Council.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

(Signed) CARNARVON.

The Officer Administering the Government,
New Brunswick.

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 10th day of January, 1867.

By the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council.

PRESENT :

Lord President, Mr. Corry,
Mr. Secretary Walpole, Mr. Gathorne Hardy.

WHEREAS by the "Diseases Prevention Act, 1855," it is, amongst other things, enacted that whenever any part of England appears to be threatened with, or is affected by, any formidable epidemic, endemic, or contagious disease, the Lords and others of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, or any three or more of them (the Lord President of the Council, or one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State being one), may, by Order or Orders, to be by them from time to time made, direct that the provisions therein contained for the prevention of diseases be put in force in England, or in such parts thereof as in such Order or Orders respectively may be expressed, and may from time to time, as to all or any of the parts to which any such Order or Orders extend, and in like manner, revoke or renew any such Order; and that, subject to revocation and renewal as aforesaid, every such Order shall be in force for six calendar months, or for such shorter period as in such Order shall be expressed; and that every such Order of Her Majesty's Privy Council, or of any members thereof as aforesaid, shall be certified under the hand of the Clerk in Ordinary of Her Majesty's Privy Council, and shall be published in the London Gazette; and such publication shall be conclusive evidence of such Order, to all intents and purposes:

And whereas in an Act passed in the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her Majesty's reign, chapter seventy-seven, certain provisions are contained as to what shall be the Local Authority for executing the said Diseases Prevention Act:

And whereas the provisions of the above-recited Acts were, by an Order of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, of the 14th day of July, 1863, put in force within the whole of England:

And whereas by a certain other Order of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council of the 25th day of August last, after reciting the said Order of the 14th July, and the 11th Section of the "Diseases Prevention Act, 1855," and that it appeared expedient to enlarge the application of the said Order, so that the same should extend to parts and arms of the sea lying within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty, their Lordships did, in exercise of the powers in them vested, as in the said Order mentioned, order that the said recited Order of the 14th day of July last should extend, and the same was thereby extended to all parts and arms of the sea lying within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty within three miles of the coasts of England:

And whereas the said Orders will, unless renewed, expire on the 14th day of January, 1867, and it is deemed expedient that the said Orders should be renewed, and that the provisions of the said Acts should be continued in force as hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council do hereby, in exercise of the powers given by the said Act, and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, order and direct that the provisions contained in the said Acts for the prevention of diseases shall, from and after the date of this present Order, be and be continued in force within the whole and every part of England, and all parts and arms of the sea lying within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty, within three miles of the coasts of England, for the period of six calendar months from the date of this Order, and that the said recited Orders shall be renewed accordingly for such period as aforesaid.

(Signed) EDMUND HARRISON.

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 10th day of January, 1867.

By the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council.

PRESENT :

Lord President, Mr. Corry,
Mr. Secretary Walpole, Mr. Gathorne Hardy.

WHEREAS the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, by an Order made this 10th day of January, 1867, in exercise of the powers given by "the Diseases Prevention Act, 1855," and the Amending Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter seventy-seven, and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, did order and direct that the provision contained in the said Acts for the prevention of diseases should, from and after the date of that Order, be and be continued in force within the whole and every part of England and all parts and arms of the sea lying within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty within three miles of the coasts of England, for the period of six calendar months from the date of that Order, and that certain recited Orders then in existence and therein more particularly referred to, should be renewed accordingly for such period as aforesaid:

And whereas the Lords of Her Majesty's Privy Council have thought fit, under the authority conferred upon them by the said first cited Act and all other Acts in such behalf, to issue certain directions and regulations, to be in force within the Metropolis so long as the provisions aforesaid shall be in force under the said Order:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the above named Acts, the Lords of the Council order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows, that is to say:

I.—*Preliminary.*

Forthwith on the issuing of the present regulations, the Clerk of every Vestry or District Board (as the case may be) under the Act of the Session holden in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty, shall summon a special meeting of the Vestry or Board, in order that the present regulations may be brought before them, and that the Vestry or Board may make, as they are hereby required to do, such preliminary arrangements as will enable them, if sudden need shall arise, to carry the following regulations into immediate effect; and the Vestry or Board at such meeting shall direct the Clerk, by circular letters of request addressed to all legally qualified Medical Practitioners in the parish or district, and in such other ways as the Vestry or Board may think necessary, to take measures for causing the Vestry or Board to be made acquainted with any presence of Cholera or unusual amount or severity of Diarrhoea in the parish or district, or any part of it, if such be existing or should thereafter exist, and the Vestry or Board, if apprised of any such presence of Cholera or Diarrhoea, shall thereupon forthwith, so far as the circumstances require, do the several things hereinafter ordered:

II.—*When Cholera is in a Parish or District.*

1. Every Vestry or Board shall make arrangements for meeting, where the disease is actually prevailing, daily, either in a body or in one or more Committees, according to the exigencies of the parish or district, for the purpose of exercising the powers conferred upon them by the Act.