CHAP. 33.

An Act to explain and amend the Burial Acts. A.D. 1871.

[29th June 1871.]

WHEREAS under the Burial Acts it is not lawful for a vestry or meeting in the nature of a vestry in certain cases to appoint a burial board without the approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and doubts have arisen whether such approval is to be given before or after the appointment of a board, and it is expedient to remove such doubts: 20 & 21 Vict. c. 81. 23 & 24 Vict. c. 64.

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Where the approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State to the appointment of a burial board by a vestry or meeting in the nature of a vestry is required under the Burial Acts, such vestry or meeting in the nature of a vestry shall not, after the passing of this Act, appoint such board until a resolution of such vestry or meeting declaring the expediency of such appointment has been passed, and notice thereof sent to one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and the same has been approved of by the Secretary of State, and approval of such resolution shall be deemed to be approval of the appointment of the board. Approval of Secretary of State to appointment of burial board.

The Secretary of State before giving such approval may require notice of such resolution, in such form and containing such particulars as he may direct, to be published in such manner as he may think sufficient for giving notice thereof to all persons interested.

Provided that where the approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State has been given before the passing of this Act to the appointment of any burial board, that approval shall be valid whether it has been given before or after the date of such appointment.

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Act to be construed with Acts in schedule. Short title.

2. This Act shall be construed as one with the Acts mentioned in the schedule to this Act, and those Acts and this Act may be cited together as the Burial Acts, 1852 to 1871, and each of them may be cited as the Burial Act of the year in which it was passed.

SCHEDULE.

The Burial Acts, 1852 to 1871.

Session and Chapter.	Title of Act.
15 & 16 Vict. c. 85. -	An Act to amend the laws concerning the Burial of the Dead in the Metropolis.
16 & 17 Vict. c. 134. -	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.
17 & 18 Vict. c. 87. -	An Act to make further provision for the Burial of the Dead in England beyond the limits of the Metropolis.
18 & 19 Vict. c. 128. -	An Act further to amend the laws concerning the Burial of the Dead in England.
20 & 21 Vict. c. 81. -	An Act to amend the Burial Acts.
22 Vict. c. 1. - -	An Act more effectually to prevent danger to the Public Health from places of Burial.
23 & 24 Vict. c. 64. -	An Act to make further provision for the expenses of Local Boards of Health and Improvement Commissioners acting as Burial Boards.
25 & 26 Vict. c. 100. -	An Act to authorize Improvement Commissioners acting as Burial Boards to mortgage certain rates for the purposes of the Burial Acts.

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