Now therefore in pursuance of the powers vested in the said General Board of Health, by the Public Health Act, 1848, We, the said General Board of Health, do by this Provisional Order, under our hands and seal of office, direct that from and after the day appointed for the first election of the Local Board of Health by any Act of Parliament confirming this present order,

1.—The Public Health Act, 1848, and every part thereof, except the section numbered 50, in the copies of that Act printed by Her Majesty's Printers, shall apply to the entire area comprised within the boundaries of the said township of Over Darwen, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, and that the said township shall be a district for the purposes of the said Public Health Act accordingly.

2.—The Local Board of Health, to be elected for the said township, shall consist of twelve persons, all of whom shall be elected for the whole of the said district.

3.—One-third in number of the said Local Board shall go out of office on the 31st day of March in each year subsequently to that in which the said first election takes place.

4.—Every person shall, at the time of his election as member of the said Local Board, and so long as he shall continue in office by virtue of such election, be resident as in the said Public Health Act, 1848, is required, and be possessed of real or personal estate, or both, to the value of not less than four hundred pounds, or shall be so resident and rated to the relief of the poor of some parish, township, or place, of which some part is within the said district, upon an annual value of not less than ten pounds.

5.—At the first election of the said Local Board, Charles Potter, Esq., J. P., shall have the powers and perform the duties vested in or imposed upon the chairman of the Local Board of Health by the Public Health Act, 1848, in relation to any election by owners of property and ratepayers, and shall perform all other duties which it may be requisite for him to perform in conducting the said first election; and in case the said Charles Potter, from illness or other sufficient cause, shall be unable to exercise or discharge such powers or duties, or shall be absent, or shall refuse to act, then George Handel Openshaw, Esq., shall exercise and perform such of the said powers and duties as then remain to be exercised or performed.

6.—The fourteen days' notice of qualification required by the Public Health Act, 1848, to be given by owners of property in order to entitle them to vote at the said first election shall be given to the said Charles Potter, at his residence within the district of Over Darwen aforesaid, or in case he shall refuse or be unable to receive the same, then to the said George Handel Openshaw, at his residence, in the same district.

Given under our Hands, and under the Seal of the General Board of Health, this Eighth day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

(Signed) EDWIN CHADWICK.
T. SOUTHWOOD SMITH.

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## CAP. LIV.

### An Act to guarantee the Liquidation of a Loan or Loans for the Service of the Colony of *Jamaica*. [31st *July* 1854.]

'WHEREAS by an Act of the Governor, Council, and Assembly of the Island of *Jamaica*, passed in the Seventeenth Year of Her Majesty, intituled *An Act for the better Government of this Island, and for raising a Revenue in support thereof*, it was enacted, that so long as the Sum of Thirty Thousand Pounds, therein-after directed to be annually raised and paid for the Term of Thirty Years, and to be appropriated to the Liquidation of the Public Debt and Interest or any Part thereof, and a Sum of Twenty-five thousand Pounds, should be payable under the Provisions of that Act, there should be raised, levied, and paid to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, for the Use and Benefit of the Government of the said Island, upon all Live and Dead Stock, Goods, Wares, and Merchandise imported into the said Island, except as therein mentioned, the several Duties enumerated in the Schedule to the said Act annexed marked (C.), and that there should be payable out of the

'Revenue

'Revenue Fund to be raised under the said Act, and by an Act of the Legislature of the 'said Island of the Eighth *Victoria*, Chapter Sixteen, to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and 'Successors, for the Use of the Government of that Island, yearly and every Year during 'the Term of Thirty Years next after the Proclamation of the Act now in recital, the Sum 'of Thirty Thousand Pounds, for the Purpose of paying the annual Interest of, at a Rate not 'exceeding Four *per Cent.*, and for providing a Sinking Fund for the Liquidation of, such 'Portion of the Public Debt of the said Island of *Jamaica* as should be guaranteed by the '*British* Government, as therein-after provided; and it was thereby provided, that no 'Portion of the said annual Sum of Thirty Thousand Pounds should be paid unless an Act 'should have passed the Imperial Parliament of *Great Britain*, pledging the Guarantee of the 'United Kingdom for the Liquidation of the said Public Debt to the Extent of Five hundred 'thousand Pounds, with Interest not exceeding the Rate aforesaid, and that the Act now in 'recital should not come into operation until an Act should have passed the said Imperial 'Parliament pledging the Guarantee of the United Kingdom as aforesaid: And whereas by 'another Act of the Governor, Council, and Assembly of the said Island of *Jamaica*, passed 'in the Seventeenth Year of Her Majesty, intituled *An Act for raising a Loan of Five 'hundred thousand Pounds, to be applied to the Redemption of the Public Debt of this Island*, 'it was enacted, that such Persons as should be appointed in that Behalf by Her Majesty, 'Her Heirs and Successors, should be Agents in *England* under that Act for the Purpose 'of raising and managing the Monies thercin-after proposed to be raised, and that the Agents 'for the Time being under that Act should have full Power and Authority to borrow and 'raise, in *Great Britain*, by Bond, Debenture, or otherwise, such Sums, not exceeding in 'the whole the Sum of Five hundred thousand Pounds Sterling, as the Lord High 'Treasurer, or the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three of them, 'might determine; and all Bonds and Debentures to be granted by such Agents under that 'Act should be in such Form as such Agents, or any Two of them, should deem fit and 'proper, and should be transferable and negotiable, and should be made redeemable on 'the First Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and eighty-five; and every such Bond 'should be drawn for a Sum not less than Three hundred Pounds Sterling, and should bear 'Interest at the yearly Rate of Four Pounds in the Hundred, which Interest should by such 'Bond or Debenture be made payable half-yearly at some Place in *London* to be named for 'that Purpose in such Bond or Debenture; and that all such Sums of Monies as should be 'borrowed and raised under that Act, and all Interest for the same, at the yearly Rate of 'Four Pounds in the Hundred, to be computed from the several Times of borrowing or 'raising the same, should be secured by and out of and should be a Charge on the Revenue 'to be raised for that Purpose under the Provisions of the Act firstly herein recited, and 'should be a further Charge on the general Revenues of the Island, and should be redeemed 'by a Sinking Fund, and the Interest thereon be paid and secured to be paid in manner by 'such Act in this respect provided; and it was by the Act now in recital further enacted, 'that all Monies to be raised under that Act should be applied to the Redemption of so much 'of the Public Debt of the said Island as is particularly specified in the Schedule F. to the 'firstly herein recited Act annexed: And whereas it is expedient to guarantee, as herein-'after mentioned, the Liquidation of the Sums to be borrowed under the said Acts of the 'Governor, Council, and Assembly of the Island of *Jamaica*, with the Interest thereon not 'exceeding the Rate in the said Acts mentioned:' Be it therefore 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:

Sums borrowed under recited Jamaica Acts not exceeding 500,000*l.*, and Interest, guaranteed.

I. The Liquidation of all such Sums, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five hundred thousand Pounds, as shall be borrowed and raised in *Great Britain* under the said Acts of the Governor, Council, and Assembly of the Island of *Jamaica*, with the Approbation of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, together with the Interest thereon, not exceeding the yearly Rate of Four Pounds in the Hundred, shall be guaranteed under this Act; and for giving Effect to such Guarantee it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to direct and cause to be issued and paid out of the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund of the said United Kingdom such Sums as shall be required to make

good any Deficiency which shall happen in the regular Payment on the part of the Island of *Jamaica* of the Interest accruing due upon such Sums as shall be borrowed as aforesaid, or in the Liquidation of the Principal Sums, when the same shall become payable.

Advances out of Consolidated Fund of United Kingdom to be charged on Revenues of Jamaica.

II. All the Sums which shall be so issued and paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the said United Kingdom in respect of the Interest of the Sums borrowed as aforesaid, or the Liquidation of the Principal Sums, with Interest upon the Sums so issued after the yearly Rate of Five Pounds in the One hundred Pounds, to be computed from the several Times of issuing the same, shall be charged upon the Revenues of the Island of *Jamaica*.

No Act of Jamaica varying the Security on the Revenues of Jamaica to be valid until confirmed by Her Majesty in Council.

III. No Act passed by the Legislature of *Jamaica* repealing or reducing the Duties enumerated in Schedule C. to the firstly herein-before recited Act of the Legislature of *Jamaica*, or for varying the Appropriation under the said Act of the said Duties, or of the Revenues raised by the Act of the Eighth Year of *Victoria*, Chapter Sixteen, in the said Act mentioned, or for otherwise altering or affecting the Provision for the Payment of the said Sum of Thirty thousand Pounds, shall be valid unless such Act contain a Clause suspending the Operation of the same until Her Majesty's Pleasure shall have been taken thereon, and the same shall have been confirmed by Her Majesty with the Advice of Her Privy Council, and a Proclamation of such Confirmation having been given shall have been made by the Governor or Person administering the Government of the said Island.

Certificate of Amount paid out of Consolidated Fund to be sent to Jamaica.

IV. The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall from Time to Time certify to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State the Amount so paid from Time to Time on account of the Interest or Principal of the Sums borrowed as aforesaid; and such Certificate shall be communicated to the Governor or Person administering the Government of the Island of *Jamaica*, and shall be by him communicated to the Council and Assembly of the said Island; and such Certificate shall be conclusive Evidence of the Amount so paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the said United Kingdom, and of the Time when the same was paid on account of the Interest or Principal of the Sums so borrowed.

Accounts to be laid before Parliament.

V. The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall cause to be prepared, and shall lay before both Houses of Parliament, within Fourteen Days next after the Beginning of every Session, an Account of all Sums from Time to Time issued out of the Consolidated Fund of the said United Kingdom by virtue of this Act towards making good any such Deficiency as aforesaid, and also an Account of all Sums repaid by or recovered from the Island of *Jamaica*, by reason of such Advance, with the Interest paid or recovered thereon.

## CAP. LV.

### An Act for the Registration of Bills of Sale in *Ireland*. [31st *July* 1854.]

'WHEREAS Frauds are frequently committed upon Creditors by secret Bills of Sale 'of Personal Chattels, whereby Persons are enabled to keep up the Appearance of 'being in good Circumstances and possessed of Property, and the Grantees or Holders of 'such Bills of Sale have the Power of taking possession of the Property of such Persons, to 'the Exclusion of the rest of their Creditors:' For Remedy whereof be it therefore 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:

Bills of Sale to be void, unless the same or a Copy thereof be filed within 21 Days, in like Manner as Warrants of Attorney.

I. Every Bill of Sale of Personal Chattels made after the passing of this Act, either absolutely or conditionally, or subject or not subject to any Trusts, and whereby the Grantee or Holder shall have Power, either with or without Notice, and either immediately after the making of such Bill of Sale or at any future Time, to seize or take possession of any Property and Effects comprised in or made subject to such Bill of Sale, and every Schedule or Inventory which shall be thereto annexed or therein referred to, or a true Copy thereof and of every Attestation of the Execution thereof, shall, together with an Affidavit of the Time of such Bill of Sale being made or given, and a Description of the Residence

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