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BURGH OF EDINBURGH

UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 TO 1903

ORDER

BY THE

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

DATED 5th APRIL 1904

EPIZOOTIC LYMPHANGITIS ORDER OF 1904

Notice is hereby given of the issue by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries of the above Order, which comes into operation on the 18th day of April 1904.

The characteristic symptom of the disease referred to which affects horses, consists of a swollen condition of the lymphatics of the skin on the inside of the hind legs, but the same condition may also be present on the side of the neck or on the body. In most cases small nodules varying in size from a pea to a hazel nut will be found, which eventually burst and discharge a small quantity of purulent material.

Section 1 of the Order provides that every person having or having had in his possession, or under his charge, a horse affected with or suspected of epizootic lymphangitis, shall (a) as far as practicable keep that horse separate from horses not so affected or suspected, and (b) with all practicable speed give notice of the fact of the horse being so affected or suspected to a constable of the police force of the district.

Every person licensed to slaughter horses, who has in his possession a carcass of any horse affected with the disease, must also give notice of that fact to a police-constable.

The constable will in each case forthwith give information of the receipt by him of such notice to an Inspector of the Local Authority, who shall report the same to the Local Authority.

Section 2 prescribes the duty of the Inspector of the Local Authority to act immediately on receiving information in terms of Section 1.

Sections 3 and 4 prescribe the mode of enquiry by a Local Authority as to the existence of the disease, and the steps to be taken on the existence of the disease being ascertained.

Section 5 provides for the cleansing and disinfection of the places where a horse affected with the disease has been kept, and of all utensils, etc., used for or about such horse.

Section 6 prescribes the manner of disposing of the carcass of a horse affected with the disease, which has died or been slaughtered, and confers upon the Local Authority power to make regulations for their prohibiting or regulating the movement of any such carcass, or for securing the burial or destruction of the same.

Section 7 prohibits the digging up of the carcass of any horse that has been buried.

Section 8 confers upon the Board or an Inspector of the Board equal powers with those that may be exercised under the Order by a Local Authority or an Inspector of a Local Authority.

Section 11 exempts from the operation of the Order horses in stables of military barracks or camps, if under the care of the Army Veterinary Department, or horses in stables of any Veterinary College affiliated to the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

Section 12 provides (1) If a horse or carcass of a horse or other thing is moved in contravention of the Order, or of any Regulation made under the Order, or of a Notice given under the Order, the owner of the horse, carcass, or thing, and the person for the time being in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the movement, and the consignee or other person receiving or keeping it, knowing it to have been moved in contravention as aforesaid, and the occupier of the place from which the horse, carcass, or thing is moved, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894. (2) If anything is omitted to be done as regards cleansing or disinfection in contravention of the Order, the owner and the lessee and the occupier and the person in charge of any place or thing in or in respect of which the same is omitted, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1894.

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DAVID LYON,
Depute Town Clerk.