



# Metropolis Management Act 1855

## 1855 CHAPTER 120

### *Duties and Powers of Metropolitan Board of Works*

#### **CXLI Metropolitan Board to regulate naming of Street and numbering of Houses.**

It shall be lawful for the Metropolitan Board of Works from Time to Time to cause to be painted or affixed on a conspicuous Part of some House or Building at or near each End, Corner, or Entrance of every Street in the Metropolis the Name of such Street, and the Board may, where more than One Street in the Metropolis is called by the same Name, alter the Name of any or all such Streets, except One, to any other Name which to such Board may seem fit, and which may be approved by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings ; and before any Name is given to any new Street Notice of the intended Name shall be "given to the said Board, and if there be any Street in the Metropolis called or about to be called by the same Name, the said Board may, by Notice in Writing stating that there is already a Street in the Metropolis called or about to be called by the same Name, and describing the Locality thereof, given to the Person by whom Notice of such intended Name was given to them, at any Time within Fourteen Days after Receipt of such last-mentioned Notice, object to such intended Name; and it shall not be lawful to set up any Name to any new Street in the Metropolis until the Expiration of Fourteen Days after Notice thereof has been given as aforesaid to the said Board, or to set up any Name objected to as aforesaid; and the Owners or Occupiers of Houses and Buildings in the several Streets in the Metropolis shall mark such Houses or Buildings with such Numbers or Names, for the Purpose of distinguishing the same, as the said Board may direct or approve, and shall renew the Numbers or Names of such Houses or Buildings as often as they are obliterated or defaced ; and if any Occupier of any such House or Building neglect for One Week after Notice from the said Board to mark such House or Building with such Number or Name as the said Board may direct or approve, or to renew the, Number or Name thereof as aforesaid, he shall be liable to a Penalty of not exceeding Forty Shillings, and the said Board may cause such Number or Name to be so marked or renewed, and recover the Expense thereof from the Owner of such House or Building in manner hereinafter provided; and if any Person wilfully or maliciously destroy, pull down, obliterate, or deface the Name of any Street in the Metropolis, or the Name or Number of any House or Building in any such Street, or paint, affix, or set up any Name to any Street, or any Name or Number to any House or Building, contrary to

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this Enactment, he shall for every such Offence forfeit a Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings; and it shall be lawful for the said Board to cause such Name or Number so painted, affixed, or set up contrary to their Directions to be obliterated or destroyed.