any wilfully false Declaration, shall for every such wilful Default or false Declaration forfeit a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Two Pounds.

Penalty for refusing Information or giving false Answers.

XXIV. And be it enacted, for the better enabling the said Secretary of State, Registrar General, Enumerators, Schoolmasters, and other Persons employed in the Execution of this Act, to make the said Inquiries and Returns, That the said Enumerators, Schoolmasters, and other Persons shall be authorized to ask all such Questions as shall be directed in any Instructions to be prepared by or under the Direction of the said Secretary of State, which shall be necessary for obtaining the Returns required by this Act; and every Person refusing to answer or wilfully giving a false Answer to such Questions or any of them shall for every such Refusal or wilfully false Answer forfeit a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Twenty Shillings.

Recovery and Application of Penalties.

XXV. And be it enacted, That Forfeitures imposed by this Act for Offences in *England* shall be recovered in a summary Manner before Two Justices of the Peace having Jurisdiction in the County or Place where the Offence is committed, in the Manner prescribed by Law in this Behalf; and Forfeitures imposed by this Act for Offences in *Scotland* may be recovered before the Sheriff or Two Justices, who may proceed in a summary Way, and grant Warrant for bringing the Parties complained upon immediately before him or them, and on Proof on Oath by One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, or other legal Evidence, he or they may forthwith determine and give Judgment, without any written Pleadings or Record of Evidence, and grant Warrant for the Recovery of the Penalties and Expenses decerned for, and, failing Payment within Eight Days after Conviction, by Poinding and Imprisonment for a Period, at the Discretion of the Sheriff or Justices, not exceeding Fourteen Days; and Forfeitures recovered in *England* under this Act shall be paid, one Half to the Informer, and the other Half to the Treasurer of the County or Place for which the Justices before whom the Forfeiture is recovered shall have acted, and Forfeitures recovered in *Scotland* under this Act shall be paid, one Half to the Informer, and the other Half to the Collector of the Land Tax of such County wherein the Offence shall be committed, to be by him applied in aid of the Expenditure incurred by reason of this Act.

Explanation Clause.

XXVI. And be it enacted and declared, for Explanation of the full Intent and Meaning of certain Words used in this Act, That the Words "Parish or Place, Parishes or Places," shall include the various Denominations of Townships, Tithings, Hamlets, Villages, Chapelries, Quarters, Wards, Parcels, Lordships, Manors, or Parts of any Parish, and all other Places, whether denominated Vills, Precincts, or otherwise, and whether connected with any Parish or deemed to be extra-parochial.

Act may be amended, &c.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

CAP. LIV.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to Labour in Factories.

[5th *August* 1850.]

3 & 4 W. 4. c. 103.

7 & 8 Vict. c. 15.

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled *An Act to regulate the Labour of Children and young Persons in the Mills and Factories of the United Kingdom*, it was enacted, that no Person under the Age of Eighteen Years should be employed in any Mill or Factory as in the said Act mentioned, in any such Description of Work as therein specified, more than Twelve Hours in any One Day, except as therein-after provided: And whereas by an Act passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend the Laws relating to Labour in Factories*, it was enacted, that the Hours of Work of Children and young Persons in every Factory should be reckoned from the Time when any Child or young Person should first

'first begin to work in the Morning in such Factory; and by the same Act it was enacted, 'that no Female above the Age of Eighteen Years should be employed in any Factory, save 'for the same Time and in the same Manner as young Persons might be employed in Fac- 'tories: And whereas by an Act passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Her present 'Majesty, intituled *An Act to limit the Hours of Labour of young Persons and Females in* 10 & 11 Vict. c. 29. '*Factories*, the Hours of Labour of young Persons and Females in Factories were further 'restricted as therein is mentioned: And whereas it is expedient to amend the said herein- 'before recited Acts:' 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, That, save as hereinafter mentioned, so much of the said Acts as restricts or limits the Hours of the Employment or Labour of young Persons, and of Females above the Age of Eighteen Years, shall be repealed, and after the passing of this Act no young Person, and no Female above the Age of Eighteen Years, shall be employed in any Factory before Six of the Clock in the Morning or after Six of the Clock in the Evening of any Day (save to recover lost Time, as hereinafter provided), and no young Person, and no Female above the Age of Eighteen Years, shall be employed in any Factory, either to recover lost Time or for any other Purpose, on any *Saturday* after Two of the Clock in the Afternoon.

No young Person or Female to be employed before Six in the Morning or after Six in the Afternoon, or on Saturdays after Two in the Afternoon.

II. And be it enacted, That so much of the said secondly-recited Act as requires Notice in the Form given in the Schedule (C.) to such Act of the Hours of Work of all young Persons and Females above the Age of Eighteen Years, employed in the Factory, to be hung or fixed up in any Factory, and so much of the same Act as enacts that in any Complaint of the Employment of any Person in a Factory otherwise than is allowed by that Act the Time of beginning Work in the Morning which shall be stated in any Notice fixed up in the Factory, signed by the Occupier or his Agent, shall be taken to be the Time when all Persons in the Factory, except Children beginning to work in the Afternoon, began Work on any Day subsequent to the Date of such Notice, so long as the same continued fixed up in the Factory, shall be repealed.

Provision of 7 & 8 Vict. c. 15. requiring Notices of Times of beginning and ending Work to be hung up, repealed.

III. 'And whereas by the said secondly-recited Act it was enacted, that the Times allowed 'for Meal Times, as provided by the said firstly-recited Act, should be taken between the 'Hours of Half past Seven in the Morning and Half past Seven in the Evening:' Be it enacted, That the Times allowed for such Meal Times as aforesaid shall be taken between the Hours of Half past Seven in the Morning and Six in the Evening; and, subject to such Alteration as aforesaid, all the Provisions of the said firstly and secondly recited Acts concerning Meal Times and Notice of Meal Times shall remain applicable to all young Persons, and to all Females above the Age of Eighteen Years, employed in any Factory.

Meal Times to be taken between Half past Seven in the Morning and Six in the Evening.

IV. 'And whereas by the said secondly-recited Act it was enacted, that in any Factory 'in which any Part of the Machinery was moved by the Power of Water the Time which 'should have been lost by Stoppages from Want of Water, or from too much Water, might 'be recovered within Six Months next after the Stoppage, between the Hours specified in 'the said firstly-recited Act as those within which Time lost by Drought or Excess of Water 'might be recovered, and that in order to recover Time so lost any Child or young Person 'might be employed One Hour in each Day more than the Time to which the ordinary 'Labour of Children and young Persons respectively was restricted by Law, except on '*Saturday*:' Be it enacted, That no young Person, and no Female above the Age of Eighteen Years, shall, in order to recover Time so lost as aforesaid, be employed after Seven of the Clock in the Evening of any Day; and the Times before Six of the Clock in the Morning and after Six of the Clock in the Evening during which any such young Person or Female is so employed in any Day shall not together exceed One Hour.

Young Persons or Females not to be employed under 7 & 8 Vict. c. 15. in recovering lost Time after Seven in the Evening.

V. 'And whereas by the said secondly-recited Act it was enacted, that in any Factory in 'which any Part of the Machinery was moved by the Power of Water, when the Stream 'was so diminished by Drought or swollen by Flood during any Part of the Day that any 'Part of the manufacturing Machinery driven by the Water-wheel had been stopped by 'reason of such Drought or Flood, the young Persons who would have been employed at 'such Machinery might recover such lost Time during the Night next following the said 'Day,

Time during which young Persons and Females may be employed under 7 & 8 Vict. c. 15. s. 34. in recovering lost Time.

'Day, unless the said Day were *Saturday;* provided that no such young Person should be 'employed during any Twenty-four consecutive Hours for a greater Number of Hours than 'that to which the ordinary daily Labour of such young Persons in Factories was other-'wise restricted by Law, and that no young Person so employed in the Night should work 'more than Five Hours without an entire Cessation from Work of at least Thirty Minutes:' Be it enacted, That for the Purposes of the last-recited Enactment the Word "Night" shall include the whole Period between Six of the Clock in the Evening and Six of the Clock in the Morning; and no young Person, and no Female above the Age of Eighteen Years, shall be employed to recover such lost Time as last aforesaid during any Twenty-four consecutive Hours for more than Ten Hours and Half of another Hour; and, save as herein-before mentioned, young Persons and Females may be employed to recover lost Time according to the Provisions of the said secondly-recited Act.

Power to employ young Persons from Seven in the Morning to Seven in the Evening from 30th Sept. to 1st April, under certain Regulations.

VI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That during all or Part of the Period between the Thirtieth Day of *September* of any Year and the First Day of *April* of the following Year, young Persons, and Females above the Age of Eighteen Years, may be employed, except on *Saturday*, between the Hours of Seven of the Clock of the Morning and Seven of the Clock of the Evening, instead of the Hours herein-before limited, under the following Regulations and Conditions; (that is to say,) Notice signed by the Occupier of any Factory, or his Agent, of the Intention to employ young Persons and Females under this Provision, specifying the Period, not being less than One Month, during which they are to be so employed in such Factory, shall be given to One of the Inspectors of Factories, and a Notice to the like Effect, in such Form as shall be approved by such Inspector, and signed by such Occupier, or his Agent, and by such Inspector, shall be hung or fixed up, and during the Period specified in the Notice shall be kept fixed up, according to the Directions for other Notices in the said secondly-recited Act, in such Factory; and during the Period specified in such Notice young Persons, and Females above the Age of Eighteen Years, may be employed in such Factory after Six of the Clock and not later than Seven of the Clock in the Evening of any Day, except *Saturday;* and during the Period specified in such Notice (save to recover lost Time as herein provided) no young Person, and no Female above the Age of Eighteen Years, shall be employed in such Factory before Seven of the Clock in the Morning of any Day, except *Saturday;* and the Provisions herein-before contained shall, as to every Day, except *Saturday*, during the Period specified in such Notice, take effect as if Seven of the Clock in the Morning and Seven of the Clock in the Evening were throughout substituted for Six of the Clock in the Morning and Six of the Clock in the Evening respectively.

Repeal of Provision in 7 & 8 Vict. c. 15. as to Children above Eleven Years of Age employed solely in winding and throwing of raw Silk;

and in lieu thereof Children above Eleven may be employed as young Persons.

VII. 'And whereas by the said secondly-recited Act it was enacted, that any Child 'above Eleven Years of Age, employed solely in the winding and throwing of raw Silk, and 'who shall have obtained the Surgical Certificate required by this Act of his having com-'pleted his Eleventh Year, may work, without any Proof of having attended a School, for 'any Time not exceeding Ten Hours on any Working Day, but not after Half past Four 'of the Clock of the Afternoon of any *Saturday:* And whereas it is expedient that so much 'of the said recited Act should be repealed:' Be it therefore enacted, That so much of the said Act as is herein-before recited shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and in lieu thereof it shall be lawful for any Child employed solely in the winding and throwing of raw Silk, who shall have obtained the Surgical Certificate required by the said secondly-recited Act of his having completed his Eleventh Year, to be employed in all respects as young Persons may be employed under this Act.

Young Persons and Females employed during Meal Times, &c. to be held to be employed contrary to Acts.

VIII. And be it enacted, That every young Person, and every Female above the Age of Eighteen Years, who shall be employed in any Factory, or shall be allowed to remain in any Room where any manufacturing Process is then carried on in any Factory, during any Part of the Times which by the Notice then fixed up in such Factory in that Behalf are mentioned as the Times allowed for Meals, shall be deemed to be employed contrary to the Provisions of the said recited Acts as amended by this Act.

Recited Acts and this Act to

IX. And be it enacted, That the Three herein-before recited Acts as amended by this Act, and this Act, shall be construed together as One Act, and in all respects as if the Provisions

visions herein-before contained had been contained in the secondly herein-before recited Act: Provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall apply to any Offence committed under the said recited Acts before the passing of this Act, or to any Proceedings taken under any of the said Acts, and pending at the Time of the passing of this Act. be construed as One Act.

X. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Parliament. Act may be amended, &c.

CAP. LV.

An Act to amend an Act of the last Session for amending an Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in *Ireland* so far as relates to the Borough of *Dublin*. [5th *August* 1850.]

'WHEREAS by an Act of the last Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act to amend an Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in* Ireland, *so far as relates to the Borough of* Dublin, it is amongst other things enacted, that on the Twenty-fifth Day of *November* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty all the Councillors of and in every Ward of the Borough of *Dublin* then in Office shall go out of Office, and all and every the Aldermen for each and every Ward of the said Borough then in Office shall continue in Office during the said Twenty-fifth Day of *November* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty, for the Purpose of holding and presiding at the Elections of Aldermen and Councillors in the several Wards of the said Borough to be held on the said Day, as therein-after mentioned, and thenceforth until the Names of the Persons so elected shall be published as in the said therein first-recited Act directed, not being later than Two of the Clock of the Afternoon of the Day next but One following the Day of such Election; subject nevertheless to the Power and Provision for the Re-election of any Alderman or Councillor in the said therein first-recited Act contained: And whereas Provision was made in the said recited Act for the Re-division of the Borough of *Dublin* into Wards: And whereas the said Re-division has been made and duly approved by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of *Ireland* as by the said Act provided: And whereas the new Wards into which the said Borough has been divided do not correspond in Names, or in Extent or Boundaries, with the former Wards of the said Borough: And whereas it is doubtful which of the existing Aldermen of the said Borough is duly authorized under the Provisions of the said recited Act, and of the Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in *Ireland*, to hold and preside at any Election to be held for each or any of the said new Wards on the Twenty-fifth Day of *November* in this Year:' 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, That the several Aldermen and Assessors of the said respective former Wards of the said Borough of *Dublin*, specified in the First Column of the Schedule to this Act annexed, shall in this present Year be the Persons to hold and preside at the Elections which shall take place on the said Twenty-fifth Day of *November* in this Year of Aldermen and Councillors, or to act thereat as Assessors respectively, for the said respective new Wards of the said Borough specified in the Second Column of the said Schedule in connexion with the Names of such respective former Wards specified in the *said First* Column thereof. 12 & 13 Vict. c. 85. Aldermen and Assessors of the old Wards of the Borough of Dublin shall in this Year be the Persons to preside at Elections of Aldermen, &c., and act as Assessors for those new Wards that are respectively specified in the Schedule.

II. And be it enacted, That in case any Vacancy shall occur or shall have occurred before the said Twenty-fifth Day of *November* in this Year in the Office of any Alderman, Councillor, or Assessor of any Ward mentioned in the First Column of the Schedule to this Act annexed, by Death or Resignation, or by reason of any of the Causes of Disqualification of an Alderman or Councillor mentioned in the Eighty-eighth Section of the said Act of the Third and Fourth Years of Her present Majesty's Reign, for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations Vacancy in the Office of Alderman or Councillor or Assessor of any old Ward before the 25th of Nov. in this Year to be filled up