subject or liable to the Game Certificate Duty imposed by the said recited Act of the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, or to be imposed by any future Act or Acts, unless such Person or Persons shall be specially subjected thereto in and by such future Act or Acts.

Act may be altered.

X. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be amended, altered, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

CAP. CXIV.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to Bankrupts.

[15th *August* 1832.]

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty intituled *An Act to amend the Laws relating to Bankrupts*, it is among other things enacted, that the Lord Chancellor may, upon Petition, direct any Depositions, Proceedings, or other Matter relating to Commissions of Bankruptcy to be entered of Record by a proper Person, to be appointed by the Lord Chancellor for that Purpose, or by his Deputy: And whereas the said Act contains no sufficient Provision for making such Depositions or Office Copies of the Record thereof Evidence, and is in other respects defective: And whereas by an Act passed in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to establish a Court of Bankruptcy*, it is amongst other things enacted, that every Fiat prosecuted in the said Court of Bankruptcy shall be filed and entered of Record in the said Court: And whereas the said last-mentioned Act contains no Provision for the entering of Record in the said Court Fiats prosecuted elsewhere, and the Depositions and Proceedings under such Fiats, or for the Proof thereof: And whereas it is expedient that the Record of all Matters in Bankruptcy should be under the same Custody;' be it therefore enacted by the King'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 Records of all Commissions of Bankrupt, and of all Proceedings under the same, which may have been heretofore entered of Record pursuant to or under colour of the said first-recited Act or any other Act, shall be removed into the said Court of Bankruptcy, and shall be kept as Records of the said Court in such Place as the Judges of the said Court shall from Time to Time direct; and that it shall and may be lawful for the Judges of the Court of Bankruptcy to nominate the Person heretofore appointed by the Lord Chancellor to enter such Proceedings of Record, or, in case of his Refusal to accept such Office, some other fit and proper Person, as the Clerk of Enrolment to the said Court, at such Salary, to be paid out of the Fees herein-after mentioned, as the Lord Chancellor shall by Writing under his Hand direct; and that such Clerk of the Enrolments and his Successors (to be appointed in like Manner, at the like Salary,) shall have the Care and Custody of all the said Records so removed as aforesaid, and shall in like Manner enter of Record all Matters and Proceedings in Bankruptcy which by this Act or by the said recited Acts, or by

6 G. 4. c. 16.

1 & 2 G. 4. c. 56.

Providing for the Custody of Records under former Commissions of Bankrupt.

by any Order made in pursuance thereof, are or may be directed to be entered of Record, upon Payment of the Fees herein-after mentioned.

Matters inrolled before Sept. 1825 deemed to be effectually entered of Record.

II. Provided always, and be it declared and enacted, That all Commissions of Bankruptcy issued before the First Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and all Depositions and other Proceedings relating to such Commissions, directed to be inrolled, and actually entered of Record upon or since that Day, shall be deemed and taken to have been well and effectually entered of Record.

Certificate of such Entry to have the same Effect as if Commission had been issued after Sept. 1825.

III. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That the Certificate of such Entry, purporting to be signed by the Person appointed to enter such Proceedings, or by his Deputy, shall have the same Effect as if such Commission had been issued after the said First Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and shall be received in Evidence without Proof of the Appointment or Handwriting of such Person.

Judges may order Commissions to be entered on Record.

IV. And be it enacted, That any One of the Judges of the Court of Bankruptcy shall have full Power and Authority, upon Application made to him for that Purpose, to direct such Officer to enter upon the Records of the Court any Commission of Bankrupt at any Time heretofore issued, and the Depositions and Proceedings had and taken under the same, or such Part or Parts thereof as such Judge shall think fit: Provided always, that it shall and may be lawful for such Officer to enter of Record the several Matters directed by the said recited Acts or either of them to be entered of Record, upon the Application of or on behalf of any Party interested therein, without any special Order for that Purpose.

Certain Matters may be entered on Application of Parties.

Fiats to be entered of Record, on Application of any interested Party.

V. And be it further enacted, That all Fiats already issued or hereafter to be issued in lieu of Commissions of Bankrupt to be prosecuted elsewhere than in the said Court of Bankruptcy, and all Adjudications of Bankruptcy by the Persons named in such Fiats to act as Commissioners, and all Appointments of Assignees, and Certificates of Conformity, made and allowed under such Fiats, may and shall be entered of Record in the said Court of Bankruptcy, upon the Application of or on behalf of any Party interested therein, on the Payment of the Fees hereafter mentioned, without any Petition in Writing presented for that Purpose; and that any One of the Judges of the said Court may, upon Petition, direct any Deposition or other Proceeding under such Fiat to be entered of Record as aforesaid.

Fee for Entry of Commissions and Fiats.

VI. And be it further enacted, That there may and shall be paid for the Entry of every Commission and Fiat the Fee of Two Shillings, and for the Entry of every Certificate of Conformity and of every Assignment the Fee of Six Shillings each, and for the Entry of every Examination such Fee as the Court of Review shall from Time to Time fix and appoint, not exceeding the Rate of One Shilling for every Folio thereof, and for the Entry of every Adjudication of Bankruptcy, Deposition, Appointment of Assignees, and every other Proceeding or Matter relating to Commissions or Fiats, the Fee of Two Shillings each; which Fees shall be paid to the Chief Registrar for the Time being, and shall be applied by him to the Payment of the Expences of such Enrolment and the Salary of such

such Officer; and the Balance thereof, if any, shall be applied to the Payment of such other Expences attending the said Court of Bankruptcy as the Judges thereof, with the Consent of the Lord Chancellor, shall from Time to Time direct.

Provision in case of the Death of Witnesses.

VII. And be it further enacted, That in the Event of the Death of any of the Witnesses deposing to the Petitioning Creditor's Debt, Trading, or Act of Bankruptcy, under any Commission or Fiat already issued or hereafter to be issued, it shall be lawful for the Assignees appointed under such Commission or Fiat, and for all Persons claiming through or under them, or acting by or under their Authority, in the Cases hereafter mentioned, to produce and read in Evidence, in all Courts of Civil Judicature, and in all Civil Proceedings, in Maintenance and Support of such Commission or Fiat, any Deposition of such deceased Witness relative to such Petitioning Creditor's Debt, Trading, or Act of Bankruptcy, which shall have been duly entered of Record pursuant to the Provisions of the said recited Acts or of this Act; and the Production or reading of such Depositions, or of any Copy thereof, duly authenticated according to the Provisions of the said recited Acts or of this Act, shall have the same Effect as if the Matters alleged therein had been deposed to by the same Witness in such Court according to the ordinary Course and Practice thereof: Provided always, that the before-mentioned Depositions shall be read in Evidence in such Cases only where the Party using the same shall claim, maintain, or defend some Right, Title, Interest, Claim, or Demand which the Bankrupt might have claimed, maintained, or defended in case no Commission of Bankrupt or Fiat had issued, and shall not be read in Evidence in any Action or Proceeding now pending by which the Validity of any Commission or Fiat is or may be brought into question.

No Fiat to be received in Evidence unless first entered of Record.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That no Fiat issued or to be issued in lieu of a Commission of Bankrupt, whether prosecuted in the Court of Bankruptcy or elsewhere, nor any Adjudication of Bankruptcy or Appointment of Assignees, or Certificate of Conformity under such Fiat, shall be received in Evidence in any Court of Law or Equity, unless the same shall have been first entered of Record in the Court of Bankruptcy as aforesaid.

Proceedings in Bankruptcy, purporting to be sealed with the Seal of the Court, to be received as Evidence.

IX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That upon the Production in Evidence of any Commission, Fiat, Adjudication, Assignment, Appointment of Assignees, Certificate, Deposition, or other Proceeding in Bankruptcy, purporting to be sealed with the Seal of the said Court of Bankruptcy, or of any Writing purporting to be a Copy of any such Document, and purporting to be sealed as aforesaid, the same shall be received as Evidence of such Documents respectively and of the same having been so entered of Record as aforesaid, without any further Proof thereof: Provided nevertheless, that all Fiats and Proceedings under the same, which may have been entered of Record before the passing of this Act, shall and may, upon the Production thereof, with the Certificate thereon, purporting to be signed by the Person so appointed to enter Proceedings in Bankruptcy, or by his Deputy, be received as Evidence of the same having been duly entered of Record, any thing herein contained notwithstanding.

X. 'And

Lord Chancellor empowered to direct certain Monies standing to the Credit of the Secretary of Bankrupts Account to be carried to the Secretary of Bankrupts Compensation Account, and vice versâ.

X. 'And whereas by the said recited Act of the First and Second 'Years of the Reign of His present Majesty it is amongst other 'things enacted, that several Sums therein specified shall be paid 'into the Bank of *England*, to the Credit of the Accountant Ge- 'neral of the High Court of Chancery, to an Account to be inti- 'tuled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Account," and that all 'Monies so paid shall be subject to such General Orders for the 'Purposes therein specified as the Lord Chancellor shall pre- 'scribe; and it is further enacted, that Compensation shall be 'made to certain Officers therein named, in lieu of certain Fees 'and Emoluments by the said Act abolished, and that for the 'Purpose of raising a Fund to meet the said Compensation certain 'Sums in the said Act specified shall be paid into the Bank, to the 'Credit of the said Accountant General, to a separate Account to 'be intituled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Compensation Ac- 'count:" And whereas the Sums paid in to the Credit of the said 'first Account are more than sufficient to meet the Sums at pre- 'sent payable out of the same, and the Sums paid in to the Credit 'of the second-mentioned Account are at present insufficient to 'meet the Payments directed to be made out of the same, and it 'may be expedient that Power should be given to the Lord Chan- 'cellor to apply one of those Funds in aid of the other, from Time 'to Time as Occasion may require;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Chancellor by his Order to direct, from Time to Time as he may see fit, that the Monies stand- ing to the Credit of the Account intituled "The Secretary of Bank- rupts Account," or so much thereof as he may find to be necessary, shall be carried over by the said Accountant General to the Credit of the Account intituled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Compensa- tion Account," and the same when so carried over shall and may be applied in satisfaction of any Sum or Sums charged upon or made payable out of the said last-mentioned Account; and in like Man- ner to direct, from Time to Time as he may see fit, that the Monies standing to the Credit of the Account intituled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Compensation Account," or so much thereof as he may find to be necessary, shall be carried over by the said Accountant General to the Credit of the Account intituled "The Secretary of Bankrupts Account," and the same when so carried over shall and may be applied in satisfaction of any Sum or Sums charged upon or made payable out of the said last-mentioned Account.

CAP. CXV.

An Act for the better securing the Charitable Donations and Bequests of His Majesty's Subjects in *Great Britain* professing the Roman Catholic Religion.

[15th *August* 1832.]

1 W. & M. c. 18.

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign 'of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled *An Act for* 'exempting His Majesty's Protestant Subjects dissenting from the 'Church of England *from the Penalties of certain Laws*, and by 'certain subsequent Statutes, the Schools and Places for Religious 'Worship, Education, and Charitable Purposes of Protestant Dis- 'senters