ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO QUARTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. LXII.

An Act to amend ſeveral Acts for erecting or eſtabliſhing Public Infirmaries or Hoſpitals, in *Ireland*, ſo far as relates to the Surgeons and Apothecaries of ſuch Infirmaries or Hoſpitals. [27th *May* 1814.]

WHEREAS by an Act made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, for erecting and eſtabliſhing Public Infirmaries or Hoſpitals in *Ireland*, it is enacted, that the Surgeons to be choſen or appointed for the reſpective County Infirmaries or Hoſpitals, ſhould be paid by the Year a Sum not exceeding One hundred Pounds, to be paid out of the Public Money, in Manner as in the ſaid recited Act is mentioned: And whereas the ſaid Sum, from the great Increaſe in the Price of the Neceſſaries of Life, and other Circumſtances, is inadequate to the fair Remuneration of the Services of ſuch Surgeon; and in conſequence thereof, it has been found impoſſible, in ſome Counties, to procure Perſons, properly qualified according to Law, to accept ſuch Situations: 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 from and after the paſſing of this Act it ſhall and may be lawful for the Grand Jury of the ſeveral Counties in the ſaid recited Act mentioned, and of all other Counties, and Counties of Cities and Counties of Towns, in *Ireland*, either at the Spring or Summer Aſſizes to be holden in and for any

Grand Juries may preſent a Sum, not exceeding 100l. in addition.

any ſuch County, County of a City or County of a Town, in *Ireland*, in each Year, to preſent any Sum not exceeding One hundred Pounds, to be raiſed in the County at large, or in the County of a City, or County of a Town, and to be paid to the Surgeon of the Infirmary or Hoſpital in ſuch County, County of a City, or County of a Town; and which Sum ſhall be in addition to the Salary which any ſuch Surgeon is entitled to receive under or by virtue of the before recited Act of the Fifth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, or of any other Act or Acts in force in *Ireland*, relating to ſuch Infirmaries or Hoſpitals.

Certificate of good Conduct of the Surgeon, ſhall be previouſly laid before the Grand Jury; as alſo, a Copy of his Letters Teſtimonial.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That before any ſuch Preſentment ſhall be made by the Grand Jury of any County, County of a City or County of a Town in *Ireland*, there ſhall be laid before ſuch Grand Jury, at the Aſſizes, a Certificate ſigned by the Governors of ſuch Infirmary or Hoſpital, or by Five of them at the leaſt, at a Meeting to be holden by them in the Month of *January* preceding ſuch Aſſizes, ſtating that the Surgeon for whom ſuch additional Salary is requeſted to be preſented hath duly and faithfully executed his Duty as Surgeon of ſuch Infirmary or Hoſpital during the preceding Year: Provided alſo, that in all Caſes where any ſuch Surgeon of any Infirmary or Hoſpital ſhall have been appointed to be ſuch Surgeon, at any Time ſubſequent to the paſſing of an Act, made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Thirty-ſixth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled *An Act for the further Regulation of Public Infirmaries or Hoſpitals*, a true Copy (certified under the Hand of the Treaſurer of ſuch Infirmary or Hoſpital) of the Letters Teſtimonial from the College of Surgeons in *Ireland*, required by the ſaid Act to be obtained by every ſuch Surgeon, ſhall be laid before ſuch Grand Jury previous to the requiring or making of any ſuch Preſentment.

Condition on which Salary ſhall be paid.

III. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That it ſhall not be lawful for any ſuch Grand Jury to preſent ſuch additional Salary unleſs the Surgeon for whom it is preſented ſhall have given his Attendance and Profeſſional Aſſiſtance without any other or further Fee or Reward to the Priſoners and others in the Gaol of the County, County of a City, or County of a Town, to the Infirmary of which he has been appointed Surgeon, if ſuch Gaol is ſituate within Five Miles of ſuch Infirmary.

Subſcriber not to vote till his Subſcription is paid.

IV. And be it further enacted, That no Annual Governor or Governors of any ſuch Infirmary or Hoſpitals ſhall be permitted to vote at the Election of ſuch Infirmary upon any Vacancy in ſuch Office, unleſs they ſhall have reſpectively paid the Subſcription by virtue of which they claim a Right to vote at ſuch Election Two Years at the leaſt before any ſuch Vacancy ſhall have occurred.

When an additional Infirmary ſhall be neceſſary it ſhall not be built within 10 Miles of the other, and a Surgeon and Apothecary ſhall be ap-

V. And be it further enacted, That whenever and ſo often as the Governors of any Infirmary or Hoſpital eſtabliſhed within and for any County in *Ireland* ſhall deem it expedient to eſtabliſh a Second Infirmary or Hoſpital within the ſame County, it ſhall and may be lawful for them ſo to do, taking Care that ſuch Infirmary ſhall not be ſituate within Ten Miles of the Infirmary firſt eſtabliſhed; and in ſuch Caſe it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Governors to elect a Surgeon and Apothecary for the Purpoſe of attending ſuch Second or Additional Infirmary or Hoſpital; and that whenever and ſo often as Two Infirmaries ſhall be ſo eſtabliſhed within any County it ſhall and may

be lawful for the Surgeon and Apothecary of each of the ſaid Infirmaries or Hoſpitals to receive reſpectively One Half of the Emoluments provided for Surgeons or Apothecaries of Infirmaries or Hoſpitals by this Act or any other Acts now in force relating to ſuch Infirmaries or Hoſpitals: Provided always, that both ſuch Surgeons ſhall be duly qualified according to Law, and that both of them ſhall have conformed to all and ſingular the Enactments and Proviſions contained in this Act or in any other Act or Acts now in force relating to ſuch Infirmaries or Hoſpitals.

pointed to attend it.

VI. And be it further enacted, That in caſe the Governors of any Infirmary or Hoſpital ſhall deem it moſt economical, or otherwiſe adviſable to procure the Medicines for the Uſe of ſuch Infirmary from Apothecaries Hall in *Dublin*, or from any Wholeſale Dealer in Medicines, it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Governors (out of the Funds preſented by the Grand Jury of the County, County of a City, or County of a Town, in which ſuch Infirmary or Hoſpital ſhall be ſituated, for the Support of any ſuch Infirmary or Hoſpital, by virtue of the Powers veſted in them by any Act or Acts in force for that Purpoſe) to appropriate and pay to any Apothecary who ſhall have duly ſerved an Apprenticeſhip to the Art and Myſtery of an Apothecary, a Sum by the Year not exceeding Thirty Pounds as a Salary for the compounding, making up, preparing and adminiſtering Medicines to and for the Uſe of Patients of ſuch Infirmary or Hoſpital; provided that it ſhall appear to the Satisfaction of ſuch Governors, that ſuch Apothecary hath diligently and faithfully executed the Duties of his Office as aforeſaid.

Governors may give a Salary to an Apothecary, for making up Medicines found by the Governors.

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