

CHAP. 78.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Criminal Lunatics. A.D. 1869.

[9th August 1869.]

WHEREAS by the sixth section of "The Criminal Lunatics Act, 1867," it is enacted, "that where the term of punish- 30 & 31 Vict. c. 12.
"ment awarded to any criminal lunatic confined in any asylum or "other place of confinement for criminal lunatics expires before "such evidence of his sanity has been given as justifies his being "discharged, such consequences shall ensue as are therein-after "mentioned:" And whereas doubts are entertained whether such section extends to criminal lunatics whose terms of punishment have expired previously to the passing of the said Act, and it is expedient to remove such doubts:

Be it 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, as follows:

Preliminary.

1. This Act may be cited as "The Criminal Lunatics Act, 1869." Short title.

2. It is hereby declared that the sixth section of the Criminal Lunatics Act, 1867, does apply and shall be deemed to have applied from the date of the passing thereof to criminal lunatics whose terms of punishment expired before the date of the passing of such Act in the same manner, so far as circumstances admit, as if their terms of punishment had expired subsequently to the passing of such Act, and all orders made and acts done previously to the passing of this Act in respect of or to criminal lunatics whose terms of punishment expired before the passing of the said Criminal Lunatics Act, 1867, shall be valid accordingly; but no parish or place upon which any order may have been or shall be made for, or which shall be otherwise chargeable with, the maintenance of Application of sect. 6. of 30 & 31 Vict. c. 12.

A.D. 1869. any criminal lunatic under the sixth section of the said Act shall be liable to make good or refund any sum of money which may have been theretofore expended by any other parish or place on account of the maintenance of such lunatic.

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