CHAPTER 66.

An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, with reference to certain societies now subject to the provisions of section thirty of that Act.

[24th December 1888.]

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:

Exemption from provision of section 30 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, 38 & 39 Vict. c. 60 in certain cases.

1. Where any friendly society, by reason of its being constituted so as to receive contributions by means of collectors at a greater distance than ten miles from its registered office, is subject to the provisions of section thirty of the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, herein-after called the principal Act, the chief registrar of friendly societies, on being satisfied that the society has been so constituted solely on bonâ fide grounds of advantage or convenience to the members thereof, may, on the application of the society, grant to such society a certificate of exemption from the provisions of the said section of the principal Act. Such certificate shall be subject to revocation by the chief registrar, but shall remain in force until revoked by him, and until notice of such revocation shall have been transmitted to and received by the society affected thereby, and so long as the certificate is in force the society shall be subject to all the provisions and entitled to all the privileges of the Friendly Societies Acts, as if it were a society within the definitions of section eight of the principal Act not receiving contributions by means of collectors at a greater distance than ten miles from the registered office.

Construction and short title.

2. This Act shall be construed as one with the principal Act and the Friendly Societies Act, 1887, and may be cited together with them as the Friendly Societies Acts, and separately as the Friendly Societies Act, 1888.