CHAPTER 22.

An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Acts.

[26th July 1889.]

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 provisions of s. 30 of 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 the application of the society, may, with the approval in each case of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, grant to such society a certificate of exemption from the provisions of the said section of the principal Act in any case in which he is of opinion that the society is not one to which the provisions of section thirty of the principal Act ought to apply, and he may grant such certificate whether the society applying for the same has been registered before or subsequent to the passing of this Act. Such certificate shall be subject to revocation by the Chief Registrar, with the approval in each case of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, but shall remain in force until so revoked, and until notice of such revocation shall have been advertised in the "London Gazette" and in some newspaper in general circulation in the county in which the registered office is situate, and also transmitted by a registered letter to the society at such registered office; 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.

Repeal of 51 & 52 Vict. c. 66.

2. The Friendly Societies Act, 1888, is hereby repealed, but this repeal shall not affect any right acquired or act done under that Act.

Construction and short title.

3. This Act shall be construed as one with the Friendly Societies Acts, and may be cited together with them as the Friendly Societies Acts, and may be cited separately as the Friendly Societies Act, 1889.