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## CAP. LXXVII.

An Act to provide for the Mode of passing Letters Patent and other Acts of the Crown relating to *India*, and for vesting certain Powers in the Governor General of *India* in Council. [7th *August* 1854.]

'WHEREAS Doubts may arise as to the Mode of passing Letters Patent and other 'Acts of the Crown relating to *India* in certain Cases where Her Majesty's Pleasure 'is to be signified under Her Royal Sign Manual, and it is expedient to remove such Doubts, 'and to provide an uniform Mode of proceeding in such Cases: And whereas it is expedient 'to provide for the Administration by the Governor-General of *India* in Council of such 'Parts of the Territories for the Time being under the Government of the *East India* 'Company as it may not be advisable to include in any Presidency or Lieutenant-Gover-'norship, and to vest in such Governor General of *India* in Council the Powers now 'vested in the Governor of the Presidency of *Fort William* in *Bengal*:' Be it enacted and declared, therefore, 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:

Warrants, &c. under Royal Sign Manual relating to India to be countersigned by President of Board of Control.

I. Whenever it shall please Her Majesty to cause Letters Patent to be issued under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom for the Nomination or Appointment of any Person to any Office in *India*, or to any Office relating to the Government thereof, or for any other Purpose whatsoever relating to *India*, the Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual for causing such Letters Patent to be passed under the said Great Seal shall be countersigned by the President of the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*, and by no other Person, and shall be sealed with the Privy Seal, for which sealing such Royal Sign Manual so countersigned shall be sufficient Warrant to the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, and such Warrant under the Royal Sign Manual, so countersigned and sealed as aforesaid, shall be a sufficient Authority to the Lord High Chancellor, or Lord Keeper or Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, for passing Letters Patent under such Great Seal, according to the Tenor of the same Warrant; and whenever Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual is or may be required to any Warrant or Writing for the Appointment or Removal of any Person to or from any Office in *India*, or any Office relating to the Government thereof, or is or may be required to any Warrant or Writing, for the

the Purpose of signifying Her Majesty's Approbation or Consent to any Appointment or Removal to or from any such Office, or for any other Purpose whatsoever relating to *India*, such Warrant or Writing shall be countersigned by the President of the said Board, and by no other Person; and every such Warrant or Writing as aforesaid under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual which may have been heretofore countersigned by such President shall not be deemed to have required any other Counter-signature or Verification.

If Office of President vacant, then by Secretary of State.

II. During any Vacancy in the Office of President of the Board or Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*, any Warrant or Writing required under this Act or otherwise to be countersigned by such President shall be countersigned by One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

The immediate Government of any Part of the Indian Territories may be vested in the Governor General of India in Council.

III. It shall be lawful for the Governor General of *India* in Council, with the Sanction and Approbation of the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, acting under the Control and Direction of the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*, from Time to Time, by Proclamation duly published, to take under the immediate Authority and Management of the said Governor General of *India* in Council any Part or Parts of the Territories for the Time being in the Possession or under the Government of the said Company, and thereupon to give all necessary Orders and Directions respecting the Administration of such Part or Parts of the said Territories or otherwise to provide for the Administration thereof: Provided always, that no Law or Regulation in force at any such Time as regards any such Portion of Territory shall be altered or repealed except by Law or Regulation made by the Governor General of *India* in Council.

Governor General may limit the Powers of Governors herein named.

IV. It shall be lawful for the said Governor General of *India* in Council, with the like Sanction and Approbation, from Time to Time to declare and limit the Extent of the Authority of the Governor in Council, Governor, or Lieutenant Governor of *Bengal*, or of *Agra*, or the North-west Provinces, who is now or may be hereafter appointed.

Powers of Governor General as Governor of Bengal transferred to the Governor of India in Council.

V. All Powers now or at any Time vested in or exercised by the Governor in Council, or Governor of the Presidency of *Fort William* in *Bengal*, or in or by the Governor General of *India* in Council in respect of such Presidency, and which for the Time being shall not have been transferred to the Governor in Council, Governor, or Lieutenant Governor of *Bengal*, or of *Agra*, or the North-west Provinces, shall be vested in and may be exercised by the Governor General of *India* in Council, and the Governor General of *India* shall no longer be the Governor of the said Presidency of *Fort William* in *Bengal*.

Past Acts declared valid.

VI. All Acts of the Governor General of *India*, or of the Governor General of *India* in Council, done before the Commencement of this Act, in respect to the Presidency of *Fort William* in *Bengal*, shall be as good and valid and of the same Force and Effect as if done by the Governor of the said Presidency.

Interpretation.

VII. In the Construction of this Act "*India*" shall be construed to mean the Territories for the Time being in the Possession and under the Government of the *East India Company*.

Act to be construed with 16 & 17 Vict. c. 95.

VIII. This Act shall be read and construed as Part of the Act of the last Session of Parliament, Chapter Ninety-five.

## CAP. LXXVIII.

An Act to appoint Persons to administer Oaths, and to substitute Stamps in lieu of Fees, and for other Purposes, in the High Court of Admiralty of *England*. [7th *August* 1854.]

'WHEREAS Doubts have arisen whether the "Commissioners to administer Oaths in "Chancery" may lawfully administer Oaths, or take Declarations, Affirmations, or 'Attestations, in the High Court of Admiralty of *England*: And whereas it is expedient 'that fit and proper Persons should be forthwith appointed for such Purposes; and it is also 'expedient to provide for the Collection of the Fees payable in relation to Proceedings in