CHAPTER 16.

An Act to amend the Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Act, 1874. [19th June 1882.]

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WHEREAS under the provisions of an Act of Parliament passed in the session of the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter eighty-six, intituled "The Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Act, 1874," loans have been made for fishing purposes which have proved to be of great public utility and of important benefit to the poorer classes of fishermen in certain counties in Ireland; and it is expedient for the still further encouragement and promotion of the Fisheries that the provisions of said Act should be amended:

Be it therefore 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:

Short title of Act.

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Amendment Act, 1882.

Repeal of clauses 2 and 3 of s. 5. of 37 & 38 Vict. c. 86.

2. The second and third clauses of the fifth section of the Act thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth Victoria, chapter eighty-six, which limit the amount of loans to be made in any one year to a certain proportion of the fund standing to the credit of the county in which such loans are made, are hereby repealed; and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners, under the said Act, to advance, by way of loan, such amount, not exceeding in the whole the amount standing to the credit of each county in any year, as the Inspectors of Irish Fisheries may from time to time recommend, subject to the provisions of the said Act and the rules made thereunder by the Lord Lieutenant in Council.

Lord Lieutenant in Council may make

3. In addition to any rules heretofore made the Lord Lieutenant in Council may make such further rules as may seem expedient to enable the Inspectors of Irish Fisheries to supply, in cases where

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rules for supply of boats and gear to borrowers in lieu of money.

they may deem it expedient, to persons obtaining loans under the said Act and this Act, boats or fishing-gear in lieu of money; and on the certificate of the Inspectors that such boats and gear have been supplied the Commissioners may pay for such boats and gear instead of paying the money to the borrowers, which shall be as effectually binding on the borrowers, so far as the liabilities or securities they may have entered into with the Commissioners shall extend, as if such borrowers had received the actual value of such securities in money instead of boats and gear.

Recovery of loans. Summary powers.

4. All moneys of whatever amount, and at whatever time they may have accrued, due to the Commissioners on account of loans made by them under the said recited Act or this Act, including any costs and charges in respect of such loans or the recovery thereof, may be recovered before the justices in petty sessions, in the manner prescribed by the Act of the twenty-second year of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter fourteen, and any Acts amending it.

The power given by this section shall be deemed to be in addition to and not in derogation of any other powers to which the Commissioners may be entitled at common law or in equity of recovering any moneys due to them, and the Commissioners may use any such powers accordingly.

Certificate of amount due.

5. A certificate, purporting to be under the seal of the Commissioners and to be signed by one of them, stating the amount due to the Commissioners from any person in respect of any loan made to him under the said recited Act or this Act, together with interest thereon, and any costs and charges in respect of such loans or the recovery thereof, shall, until the contrary is proved, be evidence of the amount due and of the liability of the party therein named to pay the same; and it shall be sufficient, notwithstanding any rule, order, or form of procedure in any court whatsoever, if such certificate be produced to the court before which proceedings are instituted for the recovery of any such sum by any person delegated by the said Commissioners, or any one of them, to produce such certificate.

Two Acts to be construed as one Act.

6. This Act and the said recited Act may be read and construed as one Act.

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