CAP. XXXII.

An Act further to amend the Procedure and Powers of the Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes. [11th *June* 1866.]

20 & 21 Vict. c. 85.

'WHEREAS by the Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Twentieth and Twenty-first Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend the Laws relating to Divorce and Matrimonial Causes in* England, it is by the Thirty-second Section enacted, "that the Court may, on pronouncing any Decree for "a Dissolution of Marriage, order that the Husband shall to the Satisfaction of the Court "secure to the Wife such gross or annual Sum of Money as to the Court may seem "reasonable, and for that Purpose may refer it to One of the Conveyancing Counsel of "the Court of Chancery to settle and approve of a proper Deed to be executed by all "necessary Parties:"

'And whereas it sometimes happens that a Decree for a Dissolution of Marriage is obtained against a Husband who has no Property on which the Payment of any such gross or annual Sum can be secured, but nevertheless he would be able to make a monthly or weekly Payment to the Wife during their joint Lives:'

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:

Power to order monthly or weekly Payments to Wife from Husband on Dissolution of Marriage.

1. In every such Case it shall be lawful for the Court to make an Order on the Husband for Payment to the Wife during their joint Lives of such monthly or weekly Sums for her Maintenance and Support as the Court may think reasonable: Provided always, that if the Husband shall afterwards from any Cause become unable to make such Payments it shall be lawful for the Court to discharge or modify the Order, or temporarily to suspend the same as to the whole or any Part of the Money so ordered to be paid, and again to revive the same Order, wholly or in part, as to the Court may seem fit.

In Cases of Opposition on certain Grounds.

2. In any Suit instituted for Dissolution of Marriage, if the Respondent shall oppose the Relief sought on the Ground in case of such a Suit instituted by a Husband of his Adultery, Cruelty, or Desertion, or in case of such a Suit instituted by a Wife on the Ground of her Adultery or Cruelty, the Court may in such Suit give to the Respondent, on his or her Application, the same Relief to which he or she would have been entitled in case he or she had filed a Petition seeking such Relief.

Decree Nisi not absolute till after 6 Months.

3. No Decree Nisi for a Divorce shall be made absolute until after the Expiration of Six Calendar Months from the pronouncing thereof, unless the Court shall under the Power now vested in it fix a shorter Time.

CAP. XXXIII.

An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under "The Land Drainage Act, 1861." [11th *June* 1866.]

24 & 25 Vict. c 133.

'WHEREAS the Inclosure Commissioners for *England* and *Wales* have, in pursuance of "The Land Drainage Act, 1861," duly made the Provisional Order contained in the Schedule to this Act annexed, and it is by the said Act provided that no such Order shall be of any Validity whatever until such Order shall have been confirmed by Parliament, and it is expedient that the said Order should be so confirmed:'

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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:

Provisional Order in Schedule confirmed.

1. That the Provisional Order contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed is hereby confirmed, and from and after the passing of this Act shall be deemed to be a Public General Act of Parliament of the like Force and Effect as if the Provisions of the same had been enacted in the Body of this Act.

Short Title.

2. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The Land Drainage Supplemental Act, 1866."

SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

IN the Matter of Frodsham and Ince Improvement, situate in the several Parishes of Frodsham, Ince, and Thornton in the Moors in the County of Chester.

We, the Inclosure Commissioners for England and Wales, in pursuance of the power given to us by "The Land Drainage Act, 1861," do, by this Provisional Order under our seal, constitute the lands which are delineated on a Map authenticated under our hands and seal as the Map referred to in this Provisional Order, and intituled the Frodsham and Ince Separate Drainage District Map, and a copy of which is deposited in the Inclosure Office, a Separate Drainage District under the said Act.

And We do further, by this our Provisional Order, make the following regulations with respect to the Drainage Board:—

That the Drainage Board for the said District shall consist of twenty members.

That the following persons shall be the members of the first Drainage Board:—The Marquis of Cholmonley, of Cholmonley Castle, Cheshire; Lord Henry Cholmonley, of Holly Hill, Southampton; Major W. Barnston, of Crew Hill, Cheshire; John Higson Hayes, of Frodsham, esquire; Goodwin Charles Colquit Craven, of Brockhampton Park, esquire; Edmund Park Yates, of Ince Hall, esquire; John Higson, of Frodsham, esquire; John Rigby Pickering, of Frodsham, esquire; Samuel Burgess, of Helsbey, esquire; Charles Henry Hitchin, of Newton Hall, Cheshire, esquire; Thomas Johnson, of Halton Grange, Cheshire, esquire; Henry Lowe, of Sutton Hall, Cheshire, esquire; Joseph Robinson, of Netherton, esquire; the Reverend Thomas Francis Barker, of Thornton Rectory, clerk; Thomas Morris, of Elton, yeoman; Joseph Pover, of Elton, yeoman; Townsend Ince, of Chriselton, esquire; Robert Ashton, of Overton, yeoman; the Reverend James Cox, of Halton, clerk; and the Reverend William Whitley, of Catsclough Winsford, clerk.

That the first meeting of the said Board shall be summoned by notice under the hands of any two or more of the said Board, published in some newspaper generally circulated in the District, and posted on the church doors of the above-mentioned Parishes at least fourteen days before the day of meeting.

That the qualification of any subsequent Member of the said Board shall be that he shall be the proprietor of not less than twenty acres of land within the area of the said District; or, secondly, the heir apparent of the proprietor of an estate of not less than twenty acres in extent within the area of the said District; or, thirdly, occupying tenant yearly or otherwise of not less than thirty acres within the area of the said District; or, fourthly, the agent of a proprietor of an estate of not less than twenty acres of land within the area of the said District, such agent acting under a written appointment.

That the Members of the first Board shall vacate their offices on the first Thursday in September in the year following that in which this Provisional Order shall be confirmed by Parliament.

That

That the Electors for Members of the Drainage Board shall be the persons who have, during the year immediately preceding such Election, been rated to any Drainage Rate of the District hereby constituted, and have paid all such Rates due from them at the time of such Election.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our Official Seal this Eleventh Day of January One thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

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CAP. XXXIV.

An Act to give further Facilities for the Establishment of Societies for the Assurance of Cattle and other Animals. [11th *June* 1866.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient to give further Facilities for the Establishment of Societies for the Assurance of Cattle and other Animals, under the Friendly Societies Acts:' 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:

Power to establish Societies for the Assurance of Animals to any Amount under the Friendly Societies Act.

1. Notwithstanding anything in the Act passed in the Session holden in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Sixty-three, intituled *An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Friendly Societies*, a Society may be established under the Provisions of the said Act for the Assurance to any Amount against Loss by Death of Neat Cattle, Sheep, Lambs, Swine, and Horses, from Disease or otherwise; and neither the Provisions in Section Nine of the said Act, that no Member shall subscribe or contract for a Sum payable on Death or any other Contingency exceeding Two hundred Pounds, nor Section Thirty-eight of the said Act, shall apply to any such Society so established or which may hereafter be so established for such Purpose.

Contributions to be recoverable in the County Courts.

2. All Contributions, Premiums, and other Payments payable by any Member of any such Society, under the Rules thereof, in respect of any Assurance effected by him, shall be considered as a Debt due by him to the Society, and shall be recoverable as such in the County Court of the District within which the usual or principal Place of Business of the Society is situate, in *Scotland* in the Sheriff Court of the County, and in *Ireland* before the Assistant Barrister within his District.

Short Title.

3. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as The Cattle Assurance Act, 1866.

CAP. XXXV.

An Act for the better Prevention of Contagious Diseases at certain Naval and Military Stations. [11th *June* 1866.]

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.

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as The Contagious Diseases Act, 1866.

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