CAP. LXII.

An Act to amend an Act of the Eighteenth Year of Her Majesty, to amend the Laws for the better Prevention of the Sale of Spirits by unlicensed Persons and for the Suppression of illicit Distillation in *Ireland*. [23d *July* 1855.]

17 & 18 Vict. c. 89.

'WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Eighty-nine, entitled *An Act to amend the Laws for the better Prevention of the Sale of Spirits by unlicensed Persons and for the Suppression of illicit Distillation in* Ireland, and it is expedient to amend the same:' 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:

Justices refusing Certificate for Renewal of Licence to sell Beer, &c. to make Entry of Order in manner required by 3 & 4 W. 4. c. 68.

I. If any Person shall apply for and be refused the Certificate in the said Act mentioned, to entitle such Person to obtain a Renewal of a Licence to sell Beer, Cider, or Spirituous Liquors in *Ireland*, the Justices at Petty Sessions, or the Divisional Justices, as the Case may be, shall, in the event of thereupon refusing such Application, make an Order accordingly, and cause an Entry thereof to be made by the Clerk, together with the Grounds of Refusal, in like Manner as the Justices assembled at Quarter Sessions are required to do by an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Sale of Wine, Spirits, Beer, and Cider by Retail in* Ireland.

Persons aggrieved may appeal to Quarter Sessions.

II. In case any Person shall feel aggrieved by such Order of Refusal it shall be lawful for such Person to appeal against the same to the Quarter Sessions of the Division within which such Person shall reside, or if in the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police District to the Recorder of the City of *Dublin* at the next Quarter Sessions after such Order, but in case there shall not be Fifteen clear Days between the making of the Order and such next Quarter Sessions, then to the Quarter Sessions next following in such Division or City, as the Case may be; and in such Appeal the Party opposing such Application shall be Respondent, and no other Ground for refusing such Certificate shall be entered upon except such as shall be stated in such Order of Refusal; and such Appeal shall be subject to the like Incidents and be heard and dealt with by the Court of Quarter Sessions or Recorder in like Manner, as an Appeal from an Order of the Justices at Petty Sessions under the "Petty Sessions, *Ireland*, Act, 1851," save that the Recognizance to be entered into shall be in the Form to this Act annexed: Provided always, that upon such Person having lodged such Appeal, and entered into the Recognizance, as directed by this Act, the Licence affected by such Order shall remain in full Force and Effect, unless and until such Court of Quarter Sessions or Recorder shall confirm the said Order of Refusal; and such Appeal shall not be dismissed upon any Point of Form: Provided, that, notwithstanding anything herein contained, any Licence may be withdrawn or annulled under the Provisions of any Act or Acts now in force, other than the said first-mentioned Act.

FORM OF RECOGNIZANCE.

A.B. Appellant. } Petty Sessions District of County of
C.D. Respondent } *or* Dublin Metropolitan Police District of

WHEREAS the Justices [*or, if in the City of Dublin, A.B.*, Divisional Justice,] on the Day of 18 made an Order refusing to grant to the Appellant a Certificate to entitle him [her] to obtain a Renewal of a Licence to sell Beer, Cider, or Spirituous Liquors (*as the Case may be*), upon the Grounds that [*state Grounds mentioned in the Order*]:

The undersigned principal Party to this Recognizance hereby binds himself [herself] to perform the following Obligation, that is to say, to prosecute his [her] Appeal at the Quarter Sessions to be held at , and to pay such Costs as the Assistant Barrister (Chairman, *or* Recorder,) shall order or direct; and the said principal Party, together with the undersigned Sureties, hereby severally acknowledge themselves bound to forfeit to the Crown

Crown the Sums following, that is to say, the said principal Party Five Pounds, and the undersigned Sureties the Sum of Fifty Shillings each, in case the principal Party fails to perform his [her] Obligation.

(Signed) *A.B.* (Principal Party.)
E.F., *G.H.* (Sureties.)

Taken before me, this Day of
18 at

(Signed) *Y.Z.* (Justice *or* Divisional Justice.)

CAP. LXIII.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Friendly Societies.

[23d *July* 1855.]

'WHEREAS it would conduce to the Improvement of the Law relating to Friendly Societies if the several Statutes relating thereto were consolidated, and certain 'Additions and Alterations were made therein:' 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:

Acts or Parts of Acts set forth in First Schedule repealed.

I. That there shall be hereby repealed the several Acts or Parts of Acts set forth in the First Schedule hereto, save and except as to any Offences committed, or Penalties or Liabilities incurred, or Bond or Security given, or Proceedings taken, under the same before the Commencement of this Act.

Societies under former Acts to continue.

II. Provided nevertheless, That, notwithstanding the Repeal of the said several Statutes, every Friendly Society now subsisting, which heretofore had been formed and established under the said Acts or any of them, shall still be deemed to be and shall continue to be a subsisting Society, as fully as if this Act had not been made, unless and until such Society shall be dissolved, or united with some other Society as herein-after mentioned.

Their Rules to continue in force, and Enrolments to be sent to Registrar.

III. Provided also, that the Rules of every such subsisting Society hitherto formed and established, which have been hitherto confirmed, registered, or certified under the said Acts or any of them, shall be deemed valid and in force until the same shall be altered or rescinded as herein-after mentioned; and all Transcripts of any of such Rules which are now filed with the Rolls of the Sessions of the Peace of any County, Riding or Division, City or Borough, Liberty or Place, shall be taken off the File, and shall be transmitted, on or before the First Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, to the Registrar under this Act, to be by him kept in such Manner as shall be directed from Time to Time by One of Her Majesty's Secretaries of State in that Behalf.

All their Contracts and all Bonds, &c. to them, to continue in force.

IV. Provided also, That all Contracts and Engagements by or with any of the said Societies now valid and in force, and all Bonds and Securities heretofore given by any Trustee, Treasurer, or other Officer of any such Society, shall continue and be valid and in force notwithstanding the Repeal of the said Acts.

Their Exemptions, Powers, and Privileges under this Act.

V. All such subsisting Societies, whose Rules have heretofore been confirmed, registered, or certified under the said Acts or any of them, shall, so long as they shall not hereafter effect an Assurance to any Member thereof, or other Person, of any Sum exceeding Two hundred Pounds, or of any Annuity exceeding Thirty Pounds *per Annum*, enjoy all the Exemptions and Privileges by this Act conferred on Societies to be established under the Provisions of this Act, as fully as if they had been registered and certified under this Act as herein-after mentioned.

Registrars.

Registrars how and by whom appointed.

VI. For the Purposes of this Act, there shall be Three Registrars of Friendly Societies, One for *England*, One for *Scotland*, and One for *Ireland*, who shall hold their respective Offices during the Pleasure of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; and