


# CHAPTER 82.

An Act for amending the Lunacy Regulation Acts. A.D. 1882.

[18th August 1882.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Lunacy Regulation Acts:

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:

Short title of Act.

**1.** This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Lunacy Regulation Amendment Act, 1882.

Construction of Act. 16 & 17 Vict. c. 70. 25 & 26 Vict. c. 86.

**2.** This Act shall be construed as one with the Lunacy Regulation Acts, 1853 and 186? nd unless there is something in the subject matter or context repugnant to such construction, the expression "The Lord Chancellor intrusted as aforesaid," and all other expressions having a special or defined meaning in the last-mentioned Acts, or either of them, shall have the same meaning in this Act.

Power of Lord Chancellor where property of lunatic does not exceed 2,000*l.*, or 100*l.* per annum.

**3.** Section twelve of the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1862, is hereby amended so as to have effect as if the words "two thousand pounds in value" had been inserted therein instead of the words "one thousand pounds in value," and the words "one hundred pounds per annum" instead of "fifty pounds per annum."

All Chancery lunatics to be visited twice a year.

**4.** Whereas by section twenty of the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1862, it is enacted that "every lunatic shall be personally visited "and seen by one of the said visitors four times at least in every "year, and such visits shall be so regulated as that the interval "between successive visits to any such lunatic shall in no case "exceed four months: Provided always, that lunatics who are re- "sident in licensed houses, asylums, or registered hospitals shall "not necessarily be visited by any of the said visitors more than

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"once in the year, unless the Lord Chancellor intrusted as aforesaid shall otherwise direct;": Be it enacted, that the said section shall be construed as if the word "twice" had been inserted therein instead of the words "four times," and as if the words "eight months" had been inserted therein instead of the words "four months," and as if instead of the proviso therein there had been inserted the following words: Provided always, that every lunatic resident in a private house shall, during the two years next following inquisition, be so visited at least four times in every year.

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