CAP. XCVII.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws for the Provision and Regulation of Lunatic Asylums for Counties and Boroughs, and for the Maintenance and Care of Pauper Lunatics in *England*. [20th *August* 1853.]

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:

8 & 9 Vict. c. 126., 9 & 10 Vict. c. 84., and 10 & 11 Vict. c. 43. repealed, but not to affect Appointments, &c.

I. The following Acts relating to Lunatic Asylums for Counties and Boroughs, and the Maintenance and Care of Pauper Lunatics, in *England*, (that is to say,) an Act of the Session holden in the Eighth and Ninth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter One hundred and twenty-six, an Act of the Session holden in the Ninth and Tenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Eighty-four, and an Act of the Session holden in the Tenth and Eleventh Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Forty-three, shall be repealed; but such Repeal shall not interfere with or affect any Appointment, Salary, or Annuity made or granted, or Act done, or Agreement or Contract entered into or made, or prevent or defeat any Prosecution or Proceeding for any Offence committed or any Penalty or Forfeiture incurred before the Commencement of this Act, but every such Agreement or Contract shall and may (subject to the Provisions herein-after contained in relation thereto) be carried into effect and enforced, and every such Offence prosecuted, and every such Penalty and Forfeiture sued for, recovered, and applied, and every pending Prosecution or Proceeding continued, in like Manner as if this Act had not been passed.

As to providing Asylums and Appointment of Committees of Visitors.

Justices of County and Borough not having a Lunatic Asylum to provide one, and before a certain Time give Notice of Intention to appoint a Committee for that Purpose.

II. The Justices of every County and (save as herein-after otherwise provided) of every Borough not having an Asylum for the Pauper Lunatics thereof, shall provide an Asylum in manner herein directed; (that is to say,) the Justices of every such County and the Recorder of every such Borough shall at or before the General or Quarter Sessions for such County or Borough next after the Twentieth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three direct public Notice to be given by the Clerk of the Peace of such County or Borough, in some Newspaper or Newspapers commonly circulated in such County or Borough, of the Intention of the Justices of such County or Borough to appoint at the then next General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or (in the Case of a Borough) at a Special Meeting of the Justices of such Borough to be fixed in such Notice, and to be holden within Three Months from the Date thereof, a Committee of Justices to provide an Asylum for the Pauper Lunatics of such County or Borough, under the Provisions of this Act; and the Clerk of the Peace of such County or Borough shall, within Ten Days after being so directed as aforesaid, cause such Notice to be given accordingly.

Justices to appoint a Committee to superintend the providing of an Asylum, or to treat for uniting with some County, &c., or to effect one or other of such Purposes.

III. The Justices of every such County and Borough respectively (such Notice having been given as aforesaid) shall at the then next General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or at such Special Meeting as aforesaid of the Justices of such Borough, either themselves determine in which of the Modes herein-after mentioned an Asylum shall be provided for such County or Borough, or shall refer the Selection to the Committee to be appointed as herein-after mentioned, and shall elect some Justices of such County or Borough to be a Committee to provide such Asylum, and may authorize such Committee to provide such Asylum in such of the Modes herein-after mentioned as the said Justices shall have determined, (that is to say,) to superintend the erecting or providing of an Asylum for the Pauper Lunatics of such County or Borough for such County or Borough alone, or to treat and enter into an Agreement for uniting with any County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, alone or together with the Subscribers to any Hospital for the Reception of Lunatics, established or in course of Erection, or afterwards to be established, or for uniting with any County or Counties and Borough or Boroughs jointly, or jointly and also together with the Subscribers to any such Hospital as aforesaid, in erecting or otherwise providing an Asylum under or for the Purposes of this Act, as the Justices appointing such Committee may have determined, or in case the said Justices appointing such Committee think fit to refer the Selection

Selection of the Mode in which such Asylum shall be provided to the Committee, they may authorize such Committee to provide such Asylum in such of the Modes aforesaid as to the Committee may seem best; and any Committee so authorized to treat and enter into an Agreement may treat and enter into such Agreement with any Committee or Committees having due Authority in that Behalf under this Act, or any former Act, for any County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, or on behalf of any such Subscribers as aforesaid, and with any Committee of Visitors of any existing Asylum, and whether or not any previous Agreement for uniting may have been already entered into between some of the Parties under this Act or any former Act; and by any such Agreement to be entered into as aforesaid the several Committees, Parties thereto, may, to the Extent of their Authority, in lieu of agreeing to erect or provide an Asylum, or in addition thereto, and in consideration of any Payment in gross or of the Payment of any Sum in the Nature of Rent or otherwise, agree for the joint Use of any existing Asylum or Hospital, and, where they think fit, for enlarging the same.

Subscribers to any Hospital empowered to appoint a Committee to treat for uniting with any County or Borough, &c.

IV. It shall be lawful for the major Part of such of the Subscribers to any such Hospital as aforesaid as shall be present at any Meeting of such Subscribers called together expressly for this Purpose by Advertisement in a Newspaper commonly circulated in the Place where such Hospital is or is intended to be situate, to elect any Number of such Subscribers not exceeding Five to be a Committee to treat and enter into an Agreement for uniting with any County or Counties or Borough or Boroughs alone, or any County or Counties and Borough or Boroughs jointly, under and for the Purposes of this Act; and where any such Agreement has been or shall be entered into under any former Act or this Act, nothing in this Act shall prevent the Reception into the Asylum provided under such Agreement, or the Discharge therefrom, of so many of any Lunatics other than Pauper Lunatics as might have been received into such Hospital or Asylum if this Act had not been passed.

Committees of Visitors of existing Asylums may enter into Agreements to unite.

V. It shall be lawful for the Committee of Visitors of any Asylum already provided for any County or Borough, alone or otherwise, to enter into an Agreement for uniting for the Purposes of this Act with any County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, alone or together with the Subscribers to any such Hospital as aforesaid, or for uniting with any County or Counties and Borough or Boroughs jointly, or jointly and also together with the Subscribers to any such Hospital.

Saving where a Committee is already appointed, or Proceedings for the Appointment of a Committee have been commenced.

VI. Provided always, That where a Committee has been appointed before the Commencement of this Act for any County or Borough for any of the Purposes aforesaid, or Proceedings have been taken for or towards the Appointment of a Committee for any of the said Purposes, nothing herein contained shall render it necessary to proceed afresh to the Appointment of a Committee for any of such Purposes; and any Proceedings already taken as aforesaid shall remain in force and be continued; and all the Provisions of this Act shall be applicable to any such Committee already appointed, or to be appointed under such Proceedings, in like Manner as if such Committee had been appointed under the Provisions of this Act.

Justices of Boroughs may contract with Committees of Visitors, &c. for Reception of the Pauper Lunatics of the Borough.

VII. Provided also, That it shall be lawful for the Justices of any such Borough as aforesaid, at such Special Meeting, if they think fit, in lieu of electing a Committee to superintend the erecting or providing of an Asylum, or to treat for uniting, as herein-before mentioned, or to effect either of such Purposes, to elect a Committee of Justices of such Borough to contract with any Committee of Visitors of any existing Asylum, or any Committee providing or about to provide an Asylum, whether for any County or Borough, alone or otherwise, for the Reception of the Pauper Lunatics of such first-mentioned Borough into such Asylum, in consideration of such Payment in gross, or such annual or periodical Payment, and upon and subject to such Terms, Stipulations, and Conditions as to the Duration and Determination of the Contract, and otherwise, as may be agreed upon; and it shall be lawful for any Committee of Visitors of any existing Asylum, or any other such Committee as last aforesaid, to contract with the Committee for any such Borough accordingly; and during the Continuance of such Contract the Justices of such Borough shall, at a special Meeting of such Justices to be holden within Twenty Days after the Twentieth Day of *December* in every Year, appoint a Committee of such Justices to visit the Pauper Lunatics sent from such Borough to such Asylum, and Two at least of the Members of such Committee shall

together once at the least in every Six Months visit such Asylum, and see and examine as far as Circumstances will permit every Lunatic received into such Asylum under such Contract, and shall after each such Visit report the Result thereof, with such Remarks as they think fit, to the Justices of such Borough at a Special Meeting of such Justices; and the Justices making any such Visit may, if they see fit, be accompanied by some Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, other than a Medical Officer of the Asylum; and such Justices may by Writing under their Hands order the Payment to such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary of such reasonable Sum for his Services on any such Visit as they may think fit, and such Sum shall, upon the Production of such Order, be paid to such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary by the Treasurer of such Borough; and every Report of such Justices so visiting shall be entered among the Records of the Court of Quarter Sessions of such Borough, and shall be open to the Inspection of any of the Commissioners in Lunacy; and such Commissioners may, if they think fit, require a Copy of every or any such Report to be transmitted to them by the Clerk of the Peace of such Borough; and while any such Contract making adequate Provision for the Pauper Lunatics of such Borough is in force such Borough shall not be required to provide an Asylum for itself alone, or in Union, as herein-before mentioned.

Boroughs now contributing to a County Asylum deemed to have an Asylum, but upon Notice may separate from the County.

VIII. Provided also, That every Borough situate within a County having an Asylum for Pauper Lunatics, and which at the Time of the passing of the said Act of the Eighth and Ninth Years of Her Majesty contributed and still contributes to such Asylum, shall be considered as having an Asylum for the Pauper Lunatics of such Borough; but it shall be lawful for any such Borough, at any Time hereafter, upon giving Six Months Notice in Writing under the Hand of the Town Clerk, in pursuance of a Resolution of the Council of such Borough, to the Clerk of the Peace of the County, to separate itself, so far as relates to the Establishment of a Lunatic Asylum for such County, and the Maintenance of Lunatics therein, from such County, and from and after the Expiration of such Notice such Borough shall for the Purposes of this Act be deemed a Borough not having an Asylum for the Pauper Lunatics thereof; and from and after the Expiration of such Notice, and the Withdrawal from such County Asylum of all Lunatics from or belonging to such Borough, such Borough shall not be liable to pay or contribute towards the Expense of the Establishment of such Asylum, or the Maintenance of Lunatics therein, but until the Withdrawal from such County Asylum of all Lunatics from or belonging to such Borough such Borough shall be liable to contribute towards the Expenses of such Asylum, in the same Manner and to the same Extent as if such Notice had not been given.

Every Borough not having Six Justices, besides the Recorder, to be annexed to the County or One of the Counties in which it is situate, for the Purposes of this Act.

Recorder to appoint Two Justices to be Members of Committee of Visitors.

IX. Provided also, That every Borough in which at the passing of the said Act of the Eighth and Ninth Years of Her Majesty hereby repealed, there were not Six Justices besides a Recorder shall, for the Purposes of this Act, be annexed to and be Part of the County in which it is wholly situate, or in case it be not wholly situate in any One County shall for the Purposes of this Act be annexed to and be Part of such One of the Counties in which it is situate as such Borough may have been annexed to under the said Act of the Eighth and Ninth Years of Her Majesty, or if not already so annexed then the same shall be annexed to and be Part of such One of the said Counties as One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State shall by Writing under his Hand direct; and the Recorder of every such Borough shall, at the General or Quarter Sessions next after the Twentieth Day of *December* in every Year, appoint Two Justices of such Borough to be Members of the Committee of Visitors of the Asylum of the County to which such Borough is or shall be annexed; and the Justices of every County to which any Borough is or shall be annexed as aforesaid shall, at their General or Quarter Sessions, from Time to Time fix the Sum to be contributed by such Borough towards the Expenses of and incident to erecting, providing, and maintaining the Asylum of such County, according to the comparative Population of such Borough and County as stated in the then last Returns made of the same under the Authority of Parliament, and cause Notice thereof in Writing to be given to the Treasurer of such Borough, and such Sum shall be raised by a Borough Rate to be made by the Council of the Borough in manner directed by the Act of the Session holden in the Fifth and Sixth Years of King *William* the Fourth, "to provide for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in *England* "and *Wales*," or out of the Borough Fund, if the Council think fit, and shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Borough to the Treasurer of the Asylum.

5 & 6 W. 4. c. 76.

X. If

Boroughs neglecting to provide an Asylum or to contract for the Care of their Pauper Lunatics may be annexed by Secretary of State to the County.

X. If at any Time after the Expiration of One Year after the passing of this Act it appear to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, upon the Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy, that the Justices of any Borough by this Act required to provide an Asylum, or contract for the Care of the Pauper Lunatics thereof, have not provided an Asylum, or entered into an Agreement for that Purpose, or into a subsisting Contract making adequate Provision for the Care of the Pauper Lunatics thereof in some Asylum, and that any Asylum belonging wholly or in Part to the County or any of the Counties (if more than One) in which such Borough is locally situate, either wholly or in part, is capable of affording Accommodation for the Pauper Lunatics of such Borough, or may be conveniently enlarged so as to afford such Accommodation, it shall be lawful for such Secretary of State, with the Consent of the Committee of Visitors of such Asylum, by Writing under his Hand, to annex such Borough for the Purposes of this Act to such County; and the Justices of every Borough so annexed under this Provision shall, at a Special Meeting of such Justices to be holden within Twenty Days after the Twentieth Day of *December* in every Year, appoint Two Justices of such Borough to be Members of the Committee of Visitors of the Asylum of the County to which such Borough shall be annexed; and the Provision in the Enactment lastly herein-before contained in relation to the Contribution by a Borough annexed to a County under such Enactment to the Expenses of the Asylum of such County, shall extend to any Borough so annexed under this Provision.

Justices of Borough so annexed shall appoint Two Justices to be Members of Committee of Visitors.

Powers of Committees may be enlarged.

XI. Where any Committee has been appointed for any County or Borough (whether before or after the passing of this Act) for any of the Purposes herein-before mentioned, it shall be lawful for the Justices of such County or Borough, if they think fit, at any General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or (in the Case of a Borough) at any Special Meeting of the Justices of such Borough, after like public Notice as is required in the Case of the first Appointment of the Committee, to enlarge or alter the Powers of the Committee so as to vest in the Committee any such Powers as might be vested in any Committee on the original Appointment thereof under this Act, and, if the Justices see fit so to do, to appoint additional Members of the said Committee, and every such Committee shall have the like Powers, and the Provisions of this Act shall be applicable to such Committee in like Manner, as if such Committee had been originally appointed with the Powers so vested in them under such Enlargement or Alteration of their Powers.

New Committees to be appointed in lieu of Committees which have ceased or shall hereafter cease to exist, &c.

XII. Where any Committee appointed for any County or Borough (either before or after the passing of this Act) for any of the Purposes herein-before mentioned has ceased or shall hereafter cease to exist, without carrying into effect the Purposes for which it was appointed, or, if appointed for the Purpose only of treating for uniting or of contracting as aforesaid, has reported or shall hereafter report that it is not practicable or expedient to enter into an Agreement for uniting or into the proposed Contract, or to that Effect, the Justices of such County or the Recorder of such Borough shall, at or before the General or Quarter Sessions next after the passing of this Act, or next after the Occasion has arisen, cause public Notice to be given, in manner herein directed in the Case of the original Appointment of a Committee under this Act for any of the said Purposes, of the Intention of the Justices of such County or Borough to appoint at the then next General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or (in the Case of a Borough) at some Special Meeting of the Justices of such Borough to be fixed in the Notice and to be holden within Three Months from the Date thereof, a Committee in lieu of the Committee previously appointed as aforesaid; and such Notice having been so given, the Justices of such County or Borough shall, at the then next General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or at such Special Meeting as aforesaid of the Justices of such Borough, appoint a Committee accordingly, and shall have the like Discretion and Authority for determining the Purposes for which such Committee shall be appointed as in the Case of an original Appointment of a Committee under the Provisions herein-before contained; or such Justices may, if they think fit, in lieu of appointing a new Committee in the Place of any such Committee appointed only for the Purpose of treating for uniting or of contracting as aforesaid, and which may have reported that it is not practicable or expedient to enter into an Agreement for uniting or into the proposed Contract, or to that Effect, enlarge or alter the Powers of such Committee as herein-before provided, and, if such Justices think fit, appoint additional Members of such Committee.

Notice for Appointment of a Committee given at a Time subsequent to that required by this Act, and the Appointment of such Committee, to be valid.

XIII. Provided always, That where the Justices of any County or the Recorder of any Borough have or has not, in pursuance of any of the Provisions herein-before contained, at or before such General or Quarter Sessions as in that Behalf required, caused Notice to be given of the Intention of the Justices of such County or Borough to appoint a Committee under this Act, it shall be lawful for the Justices of such County or the Recorder of such Borough, at or before any subsequent General or Quarter Sessions, to cause such Notice to be given in manner required by this Act; and the Appointment of a Committee in pursuance of such Notice, or the Enlargement or Alteration of the Powers of any existing Committee, and the Appointment of any additional Members of such Committee, at the Sessions or Meeting for which such Notice has been given, shall be valid.

Committees uniting to enter into Agreement in the Form in Schedule (A.)

XIV. When Two or more Committees agree to unite for the Purposes of this Act, an Agreement shall be entered into and signed by the several Committees uniting, or the major Part of such Committees respectively, in the Form or to the Effect set forth in Schedule (A.) to this Act; and such Agreement, when signed by the major Part of each such Committee, and not before, shall be binding upon every County and Borough, and the Subscribers (if any) for or on behalf of which or whom such Agreement has been entered into; and every such Agreement shall specify the Proportion in which the Expenses necessary for carrying into execution the Purposes of this Act shall be charged upon each County and Borough, and the Subscribers (if any) so uniting; and the Proportions of the Counties and Boroughs uniting shall be calculated and fixed with reference to their respective Populations as stated in the then last Return made of the same under the Authority of Parliament; and where under any such Agreement a Right to the joint Use of any existing Asylum or Hospital is required by any County or Borough, or the Subscribers to any Hospital, such Agreement shall fix the Sum to be paid by such County, Borough, or Subscribers towards the Expenses already incurred in erecting or providing such Asylum or Hospital.

Additional Stipulations or Conditions may be inserted in Agreement, but not so as to subject Acts of Visitors to Control of General or Quarter Sessions.

XV. Provided always, That it shall be lawful for such Committees to insert in the Agreement to be entered into by them any Stipulations or Conditions, in addition to the Matters by this Act required to be specified in such Agreement, so that such additional Stipulations or Conditions do not in any way subject the Acts of the Committee of Visitors to the Approval or Control of any Court of General or Quarter Sessions, or of any Justices, in any Case not provided for by this Act, and the additional Stipulations and Conditions so inserted in the said Agreement shall be of the same Force and Effect as the Matters so required to be specified, notwithstanding that such additional Stipulations or Conditions may control in any other Manner than as herein-before specified and excepted the Discretion and Acts of the Committee of Visitors as regulated by this Act, or may require the Consent or Approval of, or may subject the Acts or Orders of the Visitors to be disallowed, modified, or controlled by One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in Cases not provided for by this Act; but any Stipulations or Conditions subjecting the Acts of the Committee of Visitors to the Approval or Control of any Court of General or Quarter Sessions, or of any Justices, in any Case not provided for by this Act, shall be void and of none effect.

With Consent of Visitors, Stipulations or Conditions may be repealed.

XVI. Provided also, That with the Consent in Writing under the Hands of the greater Number of Visitors of each County and Borough, and of the greater Number of Visitors of any Body of Subscribers united under any Agreement entered into under this Act or any former Act, and with the previous Consent in Writing under the Hand of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, the Committee of Visitors may from Time to Time repeal or alter any of the Stipulations or Conditions of such Agreement, but not so as to subject the Acts of the Committee of Visitors to the Approval or Control of any Court of General or Quarter Sessions, or of any Justices, in any Case not provided for by this Act.

Proportions of Expenses and of Visitors may be varied on any further Union being effected.

XVII. Where any Agreement for uniting has been entered into under this Act or any former Act, and the Union effected thereunder is added to by an Agreement for further Union, the Proportions in which any Expenses are under any former Agreement for Union to be charged on the Counties or Boroughs, or Counties and Boroughs, and the Subscribers, if any, uniting, and the Proportions in which Visitors are to be elected for and on behalf of such Counties or Boroughs, or Counties and Boroughs, and Subscribers (if any), may be altered as may be agreed upon.

XVIII. Where

As to Payment and Application of Money paid towards prior Expenses, or becoming repayable under Agreement for further Union.

XVIII. Where under an Agreement for Union any Money is to be paid towards the Expenses already incurred by any County or Borough in erecting or providing any Asylum, the same shall be paid to the Treasurer of such County or Borough, and shall be applied in Liquidation and Payment, *pro tanto*, of the Monies, if any, which shall have been raised by such County or Borough for the Purposes of this Act or the Acts hereby repealed, or any of them, in such Manner as the Justices of such County at any General or Quarter Sessions for the same, or the Council of such Borough, shall respectively order and direct, or if all such Monies shall have been paid, then the same shall be applied in diminution of any Rate to be made in pursuance of this Act.

Committees of Justices to report Agreement to Quarter Sessions, and the Original to be delivered to Clerk of the Peace of the County or Borough in which the Asylum is situate, and a Copy to Clerk of the Peace of each other County and Borough.

XIX. When any Agreement has been entered into and signed as aforesaid, the Committee for each County and Borough on behalf of which the same has been entered into shall report the same to the Justices of such County or the Recorder of such Borough at the then next General or Quarter Sessions; and the original Agreement shall, at such Sessions for the County or Borough in which the Asylum to which the same relates is situate or is intended to be situate, be delivered to the Clerk of the Peace of such County or Borough, to be by him entered among the Records thereof; and a Copy of such Agreement shall at such Sessions for each other County or Borough on behalf of which such Agreement has been entered into be delivered to the Clerk of the Peace of such County or Borough, to be by him entered among the Records thereof; and a Copy of every such Agreement shall be sent by the Clerk of the Peace to whom the original Agreement is delivered, within Twenty Days after the Delivery thereof to him, to the Commissioners in Lunacy; and any of the Justices of any County or Borough on behalf of which such Agreement has been entered into, and any Commissioner in Lunacy shall be entitled, without Payment, to inspect the original Agreement so delivered to the Clerk of the Peace as aforesaid; and any Clerk of the Peace hereby required to send to the said Commissioners a Copy of any Agreement who shall neglect so to do within the Time aforesaid, and any Clerk of the Peace who shall refuse to permit such Inspection as aforesaid, shall for every such Offence be liable to a Penalty not exceeding Five Pounds; and this Enactment shall extend and be applicable to and in respect of every Agreement by which any of the Stipulations or Conditions in any Agreement entered into under this Act or any former Act shall be repealed or altered.

After Agreement for uniting is reported, Visitors to be elected for carrying same into effect.

XX. When any Agreement for uniting has been entered into, signed, and reported as aforesaid, the Justices of every County to which the same relates shall, at the General or Quarter Sessions to which such Agreement is reported, elect from among the Justices of such County the Number of Visitors allotted to such County in the Agreement; and the Justices of every Borough to which such Agreement relates shall, at a Special Meeting of such Justices to be holden within Twenty Days after such Agreement has been reported to the General or Quarter Sessions for such Borough, elect from among the Justices of such Borough the Number of Visitors allotted to such Borough in the Agreement; and the Majority of such of the Subscribers to any Hospital to which such Agreement relates as shall be present at a Meeting of such Subscribers to be holden within Twenty-eight Days after the signing of such Agreement, and of which Meeting public Notice shall have been given by Advertisement in some Newspaper circulated in the Place in which such Hospital is situate or is intended to be situate, shall elect from among such Subscribers the Number of Visitors allotted to the Subscribers to such Hospital in such Agreement; and the Visitors so elected as aforesaid shall together form and be the Committee of Visitors for carrying such Agreement into effect.

Committee authorized to superintend the Erection of Asylums to be deemed Committee of Visitors.

XXI. Every Committee elected for any County or Borough as herein-before provided, and authorized to superintend the erecting or providing of an Asylum for such County or Borough, shall, until the Election of Visitors or a Committee of Visitors for such County or Borough, or the Asylum thereof, under any of the Provisions herein contained, be deemed the Committee of Visitors for such County or Borough.

Visitors to be elected annually for Asylums.

XXII. At the General or Quarter Sessions to be held next after the Twentieth Day of *December* in every Year the Justices of every County, and at a Special Meeting to be held within Twenty Days after the Twentieth Day of *December* in every Year the Justices of every Borough, having for the Time being an Asylum (whether provided before or after the passing

passing of this Act) either for the sole Use of such County or Borough or under any Agreement for uniting as aforesaid, shall elect some Justices of such County or Borough to be Visitors on behalf of such County or Borough for the said Asylum during the Year next ensuing the Election; and where such Asylum has been provided under any Agreement for uniting entered into with any such Subscribers as aforesaid, the Majority of such of the Subscribers as shall be present at a Meeting to be holden in the Month of *January* in every Year, of which Notice shall have been given by public Advertisement in some Newspaper circulated within the Place in which such Asylum is situate, shall elect some of such Subscribers to be Visitors for such Asylum during the Year then next ensuing; and where such Asylum is for the sole Use of any One County or Borough, the Visitors elected for such County or Borough as aforesaid shall be "the Committee of Visitors" of such Asylum; and where such Asylum has been provided under any Agreement for uniting, the Visitors elected as aforesaid on behalf of every County and Borough, and the Subscribers (if any) to which the Asylum belongs, shall together form and be "the Committee of Visitors" of such Asylum: Provided always, that the Number of the Committee of Visitors of any County or Borough having an Asylum for its sole Use shall not be less than Seven; and that in all other Cases the Number of Visitors to be elected on behalf of every County and Borough, and of any Body of Subscribers, to form and be the Committee of Visitors, shall be the Number provided for in the Agreement.

A separate Committee of Visitors to be appointed for every Asylum.

Proviso.

XXIII. Where any County or Borough has more than One Asylum a separate Committee of Visitors shall be appointed as aforesaid for every such Asylum, each of which Committees shall have all the Powers and be subject to all the Provisions of this Act with regard to the Asylum for which it is appointed, as if it were the only Asylum for that County or Borough: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Justices of the County or Borough, if they think fit, with the Approval of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to appoint the same Committee for Two or more such Asylums.

Meetings of Visitors.

Every Committee to elect a Chairman.

Number of Members to constitute a Meeting.

Questions how to be decided.

XXIV. The several Persons elected Members of any Committee of Visitors shall within One Month after their Election assemble at some convenient Place to be named in a Notice in Writing given by Two or more of such Visitors, or by the Clerk to the outgoing Committee by the Direction of Two or more of the said Visitors, to the several Members so elected, such Notice to be given to each Member personally, or left at his Place of Abode, or transmitted to him through the Post Office, Seven Days at least before the Time appointed for such Meeting; and the said Visitors may adjourn the said Meeting from Time to Time or from Place to Place, and meet where and as often as they think necessary; and the said Visitors shall at their First Meeting after their Election elect One of their Members to be their Chairman, who shall preside at all Meetings at which he is present; and in case of the Absence of the Chairman from any Meeting the Members of the Committee then present shall elect One of such Members to be Chairman for the Meeting, who shall preside at the Meeting; and to constitute a Meeting of a Committee there shall be present not less than Three Members thereof, except for Adjournment, which may be made by less than Three; and every Question shall be decided by a Majority of Votes (the Chairman, whether permanent or temporary, having a Vote), and in the event of an Equality of Votes on any Question the Chairman for the Time being shall have an additional or casting Vote.

Clerk, on Requisition of Chairman, &c. to call Meetings of Visitors.

Chairman may convene Meetings.

XXV. The Clerk of any Committee of Visitors shall, whenever required in Writing by the Chairman or Two of the Visitors, or by the Superintendent of the Asylum, and the Chairman of any such Committee may, whenever he shall see fit, convene a Meeting of such Committee by a Notice in Writing to each Visitor of the Time and Place of such Meeting, such Notice to be delivered, left, or transmitted as aforesaid by such Clerk or Chairman Seven Days at least before the Time appointed for the Meeting.

Visitors to appoint a Clerk.

XXVI. Every Committee of Visitors shall appoint a Clerk to such Visitors for the Purposes of this Act, at such Salary or Remuneration as such Visitors think fit, and may, if and when they think fit, remove any Clerk appointed by them, and in any such Case, or in case of the Death or Resignation of any such Clerk, shall appoint a new Clerk; and the Clerk to any Committee of Visitors of any Asylum may also be the Clerk of such Asylum; and

and any Clerk to any Committee of Visitors shall, unless he sooner die, resign, or be removed, continue in Office so long as such Committee continue in Office.

Committee of Visitors to continue until First Meeting of new Committee, and in default of Election of new Committee to continue as if re-elected.

XXVII. The Powers of any Committee of Visitors and of the Members of such Committee, whether appointed or elected before or after the Commencement of this Act, shall continue until the First Meeting of the Committee by which such first-mentioned Committee is to be succeeded, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding; and if the Justices of any County, or the Justices or Recorders of any Borough, or any Body of Subscribers, neglect in any Year to make such Election or Appointment as required by this Act, then the Committee of Visitors lastly before elected, or the Members of such Committee elected or appointed for such County or Borough, or on behalf of such Body of Subscribers, or such of them as shall continue to act, shall be deemed and taken to be the Committee of Visitors, or to form Part of the Committee of Visitors, as if such Committee or Members had been re-elected or re-appointed in such Year, and so from Time to Time so often as the said Justices, Recorder, or Subscribers so neglect.

Provision for supplying Vacancies in Committees.

XXVIII. In case any Member of any Committee or any Visitor, elected or appointed under this Act or any Act hereby repealed, die, resign, or become incapable to act, the Justices for the County or Borough for which such Member or Visitor was elected or appointed, at any General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or at a Special Meeting of the Justices of such Borough, or where such Visitor was appointed by the Recorder of a Borough, then the Recorder of such Borough, shall elect or appoint some other Justice in his Place; and where any such Member or Visitor has been elected on behalf of any Body of Subscribers, the Majority of such of the said Subscribers as shall be present at some Meeting called in manner provided with respect to the annual Election of Visitors shall elect some other Subscriber in his Place; but, notwithstanding any Vacancy in any Committee, the continuing Members or Visitors may act as if no such Vacancy had occurred.

Continuing Members may act.

Secretary of State may require any County or Borough not having an Asylum to provide one.

XXIX. In case at any Time after the Expiration of One Year from the Commencement of this Act it appear to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, upon the Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy, that any County or Borough has not an Asylum for the Pauper Lunatics thereof, it shall be lawful for such Secretary of State, by Writing under his Hand, to require the Justices of such County or Borough forthwith to provide a fit and sufficient Asylum for so many Pauper Lunatics as upon the Report of the said Commissioners such Secretary of State may think fit and direct, and such Justices shall forthwith proceed as herein-before mentioned to cause such Asylum to be provided: Provided always, that no Borough annexed to any County by virtue of this Act or any former Act, or on behalf of which a subsisting Contract making adequate Provision for the Care of the Pauper Lunatics thereof shall have been entered into under this Act, or which now contributes to any Asylum for the County in which it is situate, and shall not have been separated from such County, shall be required to provide an Asylum under any such Order.

Where Accommodation of existing Asylum is inadequate, additional Asylum to be provided, or existing Asylum enlarged.

XXX. It shall be lawful for the Justices of every County and Borough having an Asylum or Asylums for the Pauper Lunatics thereof, where it appears to such Justices at any General or Quarter Sessions, or (in the Case of a Borough) at any Special Meeting of such Justices, that the Asylum or Asylums of such County or Borough is or are inadequate or unfit for the proper Accommodation of the Pauper Lunatics of such County or Borough, to cause an additional Asylum, or a new Asylum in lieu of any existing Asylum of such County or Borough, to be provided for such County or Borough, in like Manner as herein-before directed in the Case of a County or Borough not having an Asylum, or to direct the Committee of Visitors of any existing Asylum to cause the same to be enlarged or improved, or, in any other Case where the said Justices deem it necessary or expedient, to direct the Committee of Visitors of any existing Asylum to improve the same; but it shall not be incumbent on any such Committee under any such Direction as aforesaid to enlarge or improve such Asylum where the same does not belong to One County or Borough alone, without a like Direction from the Justices of every County or Borough to which the same belongs; and in case at any Time it appear to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, upon the Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy, that any existing Asylum or Asylums for any County or Borough is or are inadequate or unfit for the proper Accommodation

dation of the Pauper Lunatics thereof, it shall be lawful for such Secretary of State, by Writing under his Hand, to require the Justices of such County or Borough forthwith to cause an additional Asylum, or a new Asylum, in lieu of any existing Asylum, to be provided as aforesaid for such County or Borough, or the Committee or Committees of Visitors of any existing Asylum or Asylums forthwith to enlarge or improve the same, in such Manner as the said Secretary of State may see fit and direct, and the said Secretary of State may require Accommodation to be provided in and by such additional or new Asylum, or by means of the Enlargement of such existing Asylum or Asylums, for so many Pauper Lunatics as upon the Report of the said Commissioners such Secretary of State may think fit and direct; and the said Justices or Committee or Committees shall forthwith carry such Requisition of the said Secretary of State into effect; and the Powers and Provisions in this Enactment contained with respect to the Enlargement and Improvement of Asylums shall extend and be applicable to and for the Enlargement and Improvement of the Offices, Outbuildings, Yards, Courts, Outlets, Ground, Land, and Appurtenances belonging thereto.

When an Asylum or additional Asylum or Accommodation is required, the Visitors to procure and determine on Plans and Estimates, and to contract for the Purchase of Land and Buildings, and for erecting, &c. the necessary Buildings.

XXXI. It shall be lawful for any Committee of Visitors having Authority to provide an Asylum for Pauper Lunatics (but subject as herein-after mentioned) to procure, examine, and determine on Plans for the same, and Estimates, and contract for the Purchase of Lands and Buildings (and in the Case of Buildings, either with or without any Fittings-up and Furniture belonging thereto), and for building, erecting, altering, improving, restoring, furnishing, and completing, or otherwise providing such Asylum, and rendering the same in all respects fit and ready for the Reception of Lunatics, and for making, laying out, and completing the Offices, Outbuildings, Yards, Courts, Outlets, Grounds, Land, and Appurtenances of or for such Asylum, and for providing Clothing for Patients, and everything necessary for the opening of any such Asylum; and any Committee of Visitors having Authority to enlarge, alter, or improve any Asylum shall have like Powers for the Purpose of enlarging, altering, or improving such Asylum, or the Offices, Outbuildings, Yards, Courts, Outlets, Grounds, Land, and Appurtenances thereto belonging; and every Person contracting for building or doing any other such Work as aforesaid shall give to the Clerk of such Visitors sufficient Security for the due Performance of the Contract; and every such Contract, either for Purchase of Lands or Buildings, or for doing any such Work as aforesaid, and all Orders relating thereto, shall be entered in a Book to be kept by the Clerk to such Visitors; and when such Asylum and Appurtenances, or (as the Case may be) the Additions to or Alterations or Improvements thereof, are completed, such Book shall be deposited and kept among the Records of the County or Borough, or where more than One County or Borough is interested in such Contract by reason of an Agreement for Union, then among the Records of the County or Borough which has contributed the largest Proportion of the Expenses of such Contract; and every such Book may be inspected at all reasonable Times by any Person contributing to the Rates of the County or Borough, or, in the Case of a Union, to the Rates of any of the Counties or Boroughs, and also, if any Part of such Expenses has been paid by voluntary Subscriptions, by any of such voluntary Subscribers; and a Copy of every such Book shall be kept at the Asylum to which the Contract relates: Provided always, that the said Visitors shall from Time to Time make their Report to the General or Quarter Sessions of the County or Borough, Counties or Boroughs, for which they, or such of them as have not been elected by Subscribers as aforesaid, have been elected, of the several Plans, Estimates, and Contracts which have been agreed upon, and of the Sum or Sums of Money necessary to be raised and levied for defraying the Purchase Monies and Expenses thereof on the County or Borough, or, in the Case of such Union as aforesaid, on each or every of the Counties or Boroughs; which Plans, Estimates, and Contracts shall be subject to the Approbation of the Court or Courts of General or Quarter Sessions of such County or Counties, and of the Justices of such Borough or Boroughs, before the same are completed or carried into execution, save where the Amount to be expended does not exceed an Amount previously fixed by the Court or Courts of General or Quarter Sessions of such County or Counties or by the Justices of such Borough or Boroughs.

Contractors to give Security.

Contracts and Orders to be entered in a Book, to be deposited, and to be open to Inspection.

Visitors to report.

Power to Visitors to purchase in con-

XXXII. It shall be lawful for any Committee of Visitors to purchase and take a Conveyance for the Purposes of this Act from any Person having absolute Power to sell and convey,

convey, independently of this Act, any Lands or Buildings, in consideration of a yearly Rentcharge or annual Sum to be limited to such Person, his Heirs and Assigns, or as he or they shall direct, out of the Lands or Buildings to be purchased, and the same shall accordingly be conveyed as aforesaid, subject thereto, and to Powers of Distress and Entry for securing the same. sideration of a Rent reserved.

XXXIII. It shall be lawful for any Committee of Visitors, instead of purchasing any Land or Buildings which they are hereby authorized to purchase, to take a Lease thereof for any absolute Term of not less than Sixty Years, at such annual Rent and under such Covenants as the said Committee of Visitors think fit; and it shall also be lawful for such Committee to rent any Land by the Year for the Purpose of employing such of the Inmates of the Asylum as may be fit for such Employment, or otherwise for the Occupation and Use of the Patients. Power for Visitors to take a Lease for Rent.

XXXIV. The Asylum to be provided for any County or Borough, either solely or jointly, may be without the Limits of such County or Borough, and when any Asylum provided or to be provided solely or in part for any County or Borough, or any Part of such Asylum, is situate within the Limits of any other County or Borough, then and in every such Case the Justices of the County or Borough to which such Asylum wholly or partly belongs shall have full Power and Authority to act in such other County or Borough, so far as concerns the Regulation of such Asylum, and the Powers conferred by this Act, in the like Manner as if such Asylum and every Part thereof were situate within such first-mentioned County or Borough. Asylum may be erected beyond the Limits of any County or Borough, and Justices of such County or Borough may notwithstanding act therein.

XXXV. No Lands or Buildings already or to be hereafter purchased or acquired, under the Provisions of any former Act or this Act, for the Purposes of any Asylum, (with or without any additional Building erected or to be erected thereon,) shall while used for such Purposes be assessed to any County, Parochial, or other local Rates at a higher Value or more improved Rent than the Value or Rent at which the same were assessed at the Time of such Purchase or Acquisition. Assessment to local Rates not to be increased after Purchases for the Purposes of this or any former Act.

XXXVI. The Provisions of "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," "with "respect to the Purchase of Lands by Agreement," "with respect to the Purchase Money "or Compensation coming to Parties having limited Interests, or prevented from treating, "or not making Title," and all other Provisions of the said Act applicable to and in the Case of the Purchase of Lands by Agreement, shall be incorporated with this Act; and all Parties by the said Provisions empowered to sell any Lands may give Lands in exchange for the Purposes of this Act for other Lands, to enter into all necessary Agreements for that Purpose, and on any such Exchange Money may be paid by either Party by way of Equality of Exchange, and the said Provisions "with respect to Purchase Money or Compensation "coming to Parties having limited Interests, or prevented from treating, or not making "Title," shall apply to any Money coming to any such Parties on any such Exchange; and any Lands to be purchased or taken in exchange for the Purposes of this Act shall be conveyed to such Persons, being not less than Five in Number, and in such Manner as the Committee of Visitors purchasing the same or taking the same in exchange may direct, in trust for the Purposes of this Act; and any Conveyance to be so made shall have the like Force and Effect as a Conveyance made under Section Eighty-one of the said Lands Clauses Consolidation Act. Certain Provisions of 8 & 9 Vict. c. 18. incorporated, and extended to authorize Exchanges.

XXXVII. When and so often as any Land purchased or acquired under this Act or any former Act, for the Purposes of an Asylum, shall be vested in less than Three Trustees, or there shall not be any Trustee thereof living, it shall be lawful for the Committee of Visitors of such Asylum, or any Three or more of them, by an Instrument in Writing under the Hands of such Visitors or any Three or more of them, to appoint such Number of new Trustees of such Land as such Visitors may think fit; and such Appointment shall be deposited and kept among the Records of the County or Borough, or, where more than One County or Borough is interested in such Land, then among the Records of the County or Borough having the largest Interest therein; and all the Estate and Interest in such Land which at the Time of such Appointment may be vested in any Trustee or Trustees, in trust for Provision for the Appointment of new Trustees of Land purchased or acquired for Asylum.

for the Purposes aforesaid, or in any other Person, as Heir or Devisee, or otherwise, subject to such Trust, shall by virtue of such Appointment vest in the Trustees so appointed, either alone, or if there be any continuing Trustees or Trustee jointly with such continuing Trustees or Trustee, as the Case may require, without any Conveyance or Assignment for that Purpose.

Visitors to order all ordinary Repairs of Asylums, provided they do not exceed 400*l.* per Annum.

As to Payment of Expenses of Repairs, &c.

XXXVIII. The Committee of Visitors of every Asylum may of their own Authority from Time to Time order all such ordinary Repairs as may be necessary for such Asylum, and any Additions, Alterations, or Improvements to or in such Asylum, or the Offices, Outbuildings, Yards, Courts, Outlets, Grounds, Land, and Appurtenances thereto belonging, which to them may seem necessary or proper for the further or better Accommodation of the Pauper Lunatics who may be received or taken care of therein, provided that the Expense of all such Additions, Alterations, and Improvements shall not exceed Four hundred Pounds in any One Year; and if such Asylum belong to One County or Borough only, they shall cause the Expense of such Repairs, Additions, Alterations, or Improvements to be paid by making an Order upon the Treasurer of such County or Borough for the Payment thereof, but if otherwise they shall apportion such Expense in the Proportion in which each County or Borough has contributed to the Erection thereof, or where any other Proportion is fixed by any Agreement for the Time being in force, then in such other Proportion, and where any such Agreement only provides in what Proportion the Expense of Repairs shall be defrayed, the said Committee shall apportion the Expense of such Additions, Alterations, and Improvements in the same Proportion, unless it be otherwise provided by such Agreement, and the said Committee shall make an Order on the Treasurer of each County or Borough for the Payment of the Proportion to be paid by such County or Borough, and such Treasurer shall pay the same accordingly out of any Money of such County or Borough then in his Hands, or which may thereafter come to his Hands, not specifically appropriated to any other Purpose, and the same may be recovered from him, for the Benefit of such Asylum, by the Treasurer or Clerk thereof, together with all Costs and Expenses, in any of Her Majesty's Courts at *Westminster*, or in any other Court of competent Jurisdiction: Provided always, nevertheless, that no Order for any such Repairs, Additions, Alterations, or Improvements as aforesaid, or for the Payment of any Money for the Expenses thereof, where such Expenses exceed the Sum of One hundred Pounds, shall be made, unless Notice of the Meeting at which the same shall be ordered, and of the Intention to determine thereat the Question of such Expenditure, have been given in such Manner and so long before the Time appointed for the Meeting as is herein-before provided with respect to Notices of Meetings of Committees of Visitors, nor unless Three Visitors concur in and sign such Order: Provided also, that where any such Expenditure as aforesaid is incurred otherwise than for ordinary Repairs, the Visitors shall report the same to the next General or Quarter Sessions of the County or Borough, or each County and Borough on behalf of which such Expenditure has been incurred.

No Order for Payment of Money exceeding 100*l.* to be made unless Notice has been given of the Meeting at which the same shall be ordered.

Power of Visitors, with Consent of Secretary of State, to dissolve Unions.

XXXIX. It shall be lawful for every Committee of Visitors, with the Consent of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under his Hand, to determine and dissolve any Union, whether such Union have been formed under this Act or under any former Act, and upon such Dissolution to divide and allot the Lands, Buildings, Hereditaments, Chattels, Monies, and Effects of or belonging to such Union between or among every such County and Borough, and the Subscribers (if any) between which and whom such Union existed, in the Proportions in which they respectively have contributed thereto or are interested therein, or in such other Proportions and Manner as the said Visitors, with the Approbation of the said Secretary of State, think fit; and if on any such Division or Allotment there cannot be conveniently allotted to any County or Borough or Subscribers the proper Proportion of such County, Borough, or Subscribers in the Lands, Buildings, Hereditaments, Chattels, Monies, and Effects of such Union, there shall be paid to such County, Borough, or Subscribers such Sum of Money as the said Visitors, with the Approbation of the said Secretary of State, may direct, in full or in part Satisfaction, as the Case may require, of the aforesaid Proportion of such County, Borough, or Subscribers; and every such Sum of Money shall be raised by the County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, to or between or among which the Lands, Buildings, Hereditaments, Monies, Chattels, and Effects of the said Union shall be allotted (if more than One) in such Shares as the said Visitors, with the Approbation of the said Secretary

tary of State, think fit, in the same Manner and by the same Means as other Monies are appointed to be raised by Counties or Boroughs for the Purposes of this Act: Provided always, that no Union shall be so dissolved by any Committee of Visitors except under a Resolution of such Committee at a Meeting specially convened for the Purpose of determining the Question of such Dissolution by a Notice given in such Manner and so long before the Time appointed for such Meeting, as is herein-before provided with respect to Notices of Meetings of Committees of Visitors, nor unless the Majority of the whole Number of the Committee of Visitors shall at such Meeting have concurred in such Resolution: Provided always, that in the Case of a Dissolution of Union, where any County or Borough having an Asylum shall be united with any County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, not having an Asylum, and have erected additional Buildings and incurred any other Expense for their Benefit, and be in the Receipt of an annual fixed Sum or Rent as a Remuneration for the Expenses so incurred in lieu of the Payment of a Sum in gross, it shall be lawful for the said County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, so paying such Rent, if they shall think fit, to raise, in the same Manner as is provided in the Act for the Purpose of erecting County Asylums, such a Sum of Money for the Purpose of compensating the County or Borough receiving such Rent for the Cessation of such Rent as may be agreed upon and approved of by the Committee of Visitors of such County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, as may have been so united as aforesaid.

Power for Visitors, with Consent of Secretary of State, to sell or exchange Lands and Buildings.

XL. It shall be lawful for every Committee of Visitors, with the previous Consent of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under his Hand, to sell, either by Public Auction or Private Contract, and subject to any Conditions, any Lands or Buildings, or Parts of Lands or Buildings, which may have belonged to and been used as or together with an Asylum, or which may have been purchased or otherwise acquired under any former Act or this Act, for the Purposes of an Asylum, and found unsuitable or otherwise not required for such Purposes, or to give the same in exchange for other Lands or Buildings, and to pay or receive through the Treasurer of such Asylum any Money by way of Equality of Exchange; and every Conveyance of Lands or Buildings so sold or given in exchange which shall be executed by the Persons in whom the same may then be vested as Trustees, or by any Three of the Members of the Committee of Visitors who sell the same, shall be effectual to convey the same for all the Estate or Interest then vested in such Trustees, in trust for the Purposes of such Asylum, and the Receipt of any Three of the Committee of Visitors shall be a sufficient Discharge for the Purchase Monies or for any Monies to be received for Equality of Exchange; and such Monies, in case the Sale or Exchange be made by a Committee of Visitors of any One County or Borough alone, shall be applied in carrying into execution the Powers and Purposes of this Act, or shall be paid to the Treasurer of such County or Borough, and be applied for the general Purposes thereof, or otherwise, as the Justices of such County or Borough shall, at some General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or at some Special Meeting of the Justices of such Borough, direct; and in every other Case the Monies received shall be paid to the Treasurer of the County, Borough, or Subscribers to which or to whom the Property sold or exchanged belonged, in case it belonged to any One of them, or if the same was joint Property then to the respective Treasurers of every County and Borough, and of the Subscribers, if any, in the Proportion in which such County, Borough, and Subscribers were respectively interested therein; and such Monies shall be held and applied by every such Treasurer, in the Case of a County or Borough, as Part of the general Rates or Funds of such County or Borough, and in the Case of any Subscribers, as the Majority of such of the Subscribers as shall be present at any Meeting convened for that Purpose shall direct.

Application of Purchase Monies.

Visitors may, with Consent of Secretary of State, get released from Contracts.

XLI. Where any Committee of Visitors have (either before or after the passing of this Act) contracted for the Purchase of any Lands for the Purposes of an Asylum, or for any Exchange of any Lands for other Lands for such Purposes, and the Lands so contracted to be purchased or taken in exchange are found to be unsuitable or are not required for such Purposes, such Committee, or any other Committee appointed in their Place, may, with the Consent in Writing of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, (notwithstanding such Contract may have been approved as required by the said Acts hereby repealed, or this Act,) procure a Release from the said Contract, and in consideration

of such Sum of Money (if any) as the said Committee, with such Consent as aforesaid, may agree to pay; and the said Committee or any Three of such Committee may, in consideration of such Release, execute a Release to the other Party to such Contract or other the Persons bound thereby; and the Consideration Money (if any) by the said Committee agreed to be paid as aforesaid, and all Expenses in relation to the said Contract and Releases, shall be paid, defrayed, and raised in like Manner as if the same were payable in respect of the Purchase of Lands for the Purposes aforesaid.

Visitors empowered to contract for the Reception of Pauper Lunatics into Asylums of other Counties or Hospitals or licensed Houses.

XLII. It shall be lawful for every Committee of Visitors to contract with the Committee of Visitors of any Asylum, or with the Subscribers to any Hospital registered or the Proprietor of any House licensed for the Reception of Lunatics, for the Reception into such Asylum, Hospital, or House of the whole or of a Portion of the Pauper Lunatics of the County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs, or Counties and Boroughs, or any of them respectively, for which such first-mentioned Committee is acting, or for the Use and Occupation of all or any Part of such registered Hospital or licensed House at such Sum, either in gross or by way of annual or other periodical Payment or Rent, and under and subject to such Terms, Stipulations, and Conditions as such Visitors shall think fit; and it shall be lawful for the Committee of Visitors of any Asylum or the Subscribers to any registered Hospital, or the Proprietor of any licensed House, to contract with any Committee of Visitors accordingly: Provided always, that no such Contract shall be made for any longer Period than for the Term of Five Years, and that any such Contract may be determined by Notice in Writing under the Hand of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that every such Contract with the Proprietor of a licensed House shall determine on such House ceasing to be duly licensed for the Reception of Lunatics; provided also, that no such Contract shall exempt the Justices of any County or Borough or any Committee from the immediate Duty and Obligation of erecting or providing, or uniting in erecting or providing, an Asylum or additional Asylum, or of enlarging or improving any Asylum, as required by this Act, where One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State has caused Notice to be given as aforesaid for the Determination of such Contract, although the Term for which such Contract was entered into has not expired by Effluxion of Time; provided also, that any Money which may be payable under such Contract for the Reception of the Lunatics of any County or Borough into any Asylum beyond the weekly Sums which may be charged under this Act for the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of Lunatics in the Asylum belonging to the County or Borough to which such Lunatics shall belong, shall be paid, defrayed, and raised by such County or Borough out of any Monies in the Hands of the Treasurer for the County which shall be applicable for the Repairs or other ordinary Expenses of such Asylum; provided also, that any Hospital or licensed House with the Subscribers or Proprietor of which any such Committee so contract as aforesaid shall be subject to the Visitation of any of the Members of such Committee for the Time being.

Period of such Contract limited.

As to Money payable under Contract for Reception of Lunatics into any Asylum.

When any Asylum can accommodate more than the Lunatics of the County or Borough, Visitors may order the Admission of other Lunatics.

XLIII. Whenever it appears to the Committee of Visitors of any Asylum that such Asylum is more than sufficient for the Accommodation of all the Pauper Lunatics of the County or Borough or each County and Borough to which the same wholly or in part belongs, and of any County or Counties, Borough or Boroughs with which any existing Contract for the Reception of all or any of the Pauper Lunatics thereof in such Asylum has been entered into, or which shall otherwise contribute to such Asylum, it shall be lawful for the Committee of Visitors, if they think fit, to give Notice thereof by Advertisement in some Newspaper commonly circulated in such County or Borough, or every such County or Borough as aforesaid, and (subject nevertheless and without Prejudice to any Agreement with any voluntary Subscribers), by a Resolution of the said Committee, to permit the Admission of so many Pauper Lunatics of any other County or Borough, and (if such Committee think fit) Lunatics not Paupers, but who, in the Opinion of such Committee, may be proper Objects to be admitted into a public Asylum, as to such Committee may seem expedient, and at any Time to rescind or vary any such Resolution; and such Committee may, if they think fit, by such Resolution require that no Pauper Lunatic shall be admitted into such Asylum thereunder without an Undertaking by the Minute of the Guardians of the Union or Parish, or signed by Two of the Overseers, of the Parish to which such Lunatic is chargeable, or in the

the Case of a Lunatic not a Pauper by the Person signing the Order for the Admission of such Lunatic, for the due Payment of the weekly Charge for the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic during his Continuance in such Asylum, and of the Expenses of his Burial in case he die therein, as well as for the Removal of such Lunatic from such Asylum within Six Days after due Notice given in Writing by the Superintendent of such Asylum; and such Lunatic not being a Pauper shall have the same Accommodation in all respects as the Pauper Lunatics.

No Visitor to have any Interest in any Contract or Agreement.

XLIV. No Visitor of any Asylum shall have or take, or be capable of having or taking, any Interest or Concern whatsoever, either in his own Name or in the Name of any other Person, in any Contract or Agreement to be made under the Authority of this Act, or in anywise relating to or connected with such Asylum, or shall, for any Design or Plan he may deliver or produce, receive any Benefit or Emolument whatever, or otherwise have or take any Benefit or Emolument whatsoever from or out of the Funds of the Asylum: Provided always, that this Enactment shall not extend to any such Interest, Benefit, or Emolument which any Visitor may have or derive by reason of his being a Shareholder of any Joint Stock Company established by Act of Parliament or by Charter, with which any Contract may be entered into on behalf of such Asylum, or which may otherwise receive any Benefit or Emolument out of the Funds of the Asylum; provided that no Contract or Dealing between such Company and the Visitors of such Asylum be at or upon Rates or Terms more advantageous to such Company than in the Case of Contracts or Dealings by such Company with other Parties.

Plans, &c. to be submitted to Commissioners in Lunacy, and approved by Secretary of State.

XLV. Every Committee of Justices or Visitors shall submit all Agreements for uniting for the Purposes of this Act, and all Contracts under this Act, for the Reception of the Pauper Lunatics of any County or Borough, or any of them, into any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, or for the Use and Occupation of all or any Part of any such Hospital or licensed House, and all Plans for building or providing or enlarging or improving any Asylum for Pauper Lunatics, and all Contracts for Purchases of Lands or Buildings for any such Purpose, to the Commissioners in Lunacy, who shall make such Inquiries in reference thereto, and to the Amount of the Accommodation requiring to be provided, as they may deem proper, and shall report thereon in Writing to one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State; and such Committee shall submit to One of such Secretaries of State Estimates of the Cost and Expense of carrying into execution such Plans, and no such Agreement, Contract, or Plan shall be carried into effect until the same has been approved by such Secretary of State in Writing under his Hand.

How Monies to be raised for providing Asylums.

Provisions for raising Monies required for the Purposes of this Act by County and Borough Rates.

XLVI. In order to pay and defray the Monies, Costs, and Expenses payable for any of the Purposes of this Act or the said Acts hereby repealed by any County, the Justices of such County at any General or Quarter Sessions for the same may and shall assess and tax a General County Rate or Rates upon such County, and may and shall fix a Sum or Rate to be contributed by all Places whatsoever within such County, (other than any Borough being within such County or by this Act for the Purposes thereof annexed thereto,) and whether such Places be or be not liable to contribute to an ordinary County Rate; and in order to pay and defray the Monies, Costs, and Expenses payable as aforesaid by any Borough, the Council of such Borough may and shall assess a General Borough Rate in the Nature of a County Rate upon such Borough, and the said Rates shall be collected, levied, and recovered in the same Manner, and by the same Powers, Authorities, Ways, and Means, and under the same Penalties, as any ordinary Rate for such County or Borough respectively may by Law be collected, levied, and recovered; and the Monies, Costs, and Expenses to be paid and contributed by any County or Borough for the Purposes of this Act shall be paid by the Treasurer of such County or Borough, out of the Rates aforesaid, to the Treasurer of the Asylum to which such County or Borough shall either alone or jointly pay or contribute: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Council of any Borough, if they think fit, to direct that any Monies payable for the Purposes of this Act, or any Part thereof, shall be paid out of the Borough Fund of such Borough, and such Monies shall be paid by the Treasurer of such Borough out of such Fund accordingly.

XLVII. It

Power for Justices of Counties and Councils of Boroughs to raise Money by Mortgage of the Rates.

XLVII. It shall be lawful for the Justices of every County in General or Quarter Sessions assembled, or the major Part of them, such major Part not being less than Five, and for the Council of every Borough, from Time to Time to borrow and take up on Mortgage of the Rates to be made under this Act for such County or Borough, or on Mortgage of such Rates together with all other Rates or Funds, or any of them, of the same County or Borough, all or any of the Monies required for paying and defraying any such Monies, Costs, and Expenses, as aforesaid, payable by such County or Borough; and such Money may be so raised at any Rate of Interest not exceeding Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum*, and every such Mortgage may be made by an Instrument in the Form contained in the Schedule (B.) hereunto annexed, or to that or the like effect, and shall be executed in the Case of a County by the Chairman, and Two or more other Justices present at the Time of making such Mortgage, and in the Case of a Borough by affixing the Common Seal of the Borough thereto; and every such Mortgage shall be effectual for securing to the Person advancing the Sum of Money in such Mortgage expressed to be advanced, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, the Repayment thereof, with Interest for the same, after such Rate and at such Time and in such Manner as in such Mortgage provided; and the said Mortgages shall be numbered in the Order of Succession in which they are granted; and Copies or Extracts of all such Mortgages shall be kept by the Clerk of the Peace, or other proper Officer having the Custody of the Records of the Quarter Sessions of such County or of the Records of such Borough, as the Case may be; and every Person to whom any such Mortgage has been made under the Act hereby repealed or any former Act, or is made under this Act, his Executors or Administrators, is hereby empowered, by endorsing his or their Name or Names on such Mortgage, to transfer the same, and his and their Right to the Principal Money and Interest thereby secured, unto any Person, and every Assignee under this Act or any former Act of any such Mortgage, his Executors and Administrators, may in like Manner transfer the same again, and so *toties quoties*; and the Persons to whom such Mortgages or such Transfer thereof are made, their Executors and Administrators, shall be Creditors upon the Rates and Funds thereby expressed to be mortgaged in an equal Degree one with another, and shall not have any Preference or Priority other than is provided under the Powers of this Act.

Power to Public Works Loan Commissioners to lend Money for Purposes of this Act.

XLVIII. It shall be lawful for the Justices and Council of any County and Borough respectively to make Application for any Advance of any Sum necessary for the Purposes of this Act, or the said Acts hereby repealed, to the Commissioners acting in the Execution of an Act of the Session holden in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Twenty-three, "to authorize for a further Period the Advance of Money out of the Consolidated Fund to a limited Amount for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries, and "Employment of the Poor," and any Act or Acts amending or continuing the same, and the said Commissioners are hereby empowered, if they think fit, to make such Advance upon the Security of such Mortgage as aforesaid.

Provision for the Payment of the Interest on the Mortgages, and of a Portion of the Principal in each Year.

XLIX. The said Justices or Council, as the Case may be, shall in every Year charge the Rates or Funds of such County or Borough with the Sum for the Time being required to pay the Interest of the Money borrowed on any Mortgages under this Act or any former Act, or such of them as for the Time being remain unpaid, and also with the Payment of a further Sum, not less than One Thirtieth Part of the whole of such Mortgages at the Time of the same being first made, and such Sums shall be applied under the Direction of the said Justices or Council in discharge of the Interest on the said Mortgages or such of them as for the Time being remain unpaid, and of so many of the Principal Sums owing on the said Mortgages for the Time being remaining unpaid, as such Sums after Payment of the Interest as aforesaid will extend to discharge, until the whole of the Principal Monies for which such Mortgages shall have been made, and the Interest thereof, shall be fully paid and discharged; and the said Justices and Council, as the Case may be, are and is hereby required to fix One or more Days in each Year on which such Payment shall be made, and shall make Orders for Assessments in due Time, so as to provide for such Payments being regularly made; and the said Justices or Council, as the Case may be, shall, by Agreement with the Parties, or others advancing any Money for the Purposes of this Act, determine the Order or Priority in which the several Sums advanced shall be respectively discharged; and the Justices of every

County and the Council of every Borough so borrowing Money on Mortgage as aforesaid are and is hereby required to appoint a proper Person to keep an exact and regular Account of all Receipts and Payments in respect of Principal Monies borrowed or taken up as aforesaid under this Act or any former Act, and the Interest thereof, in a Book or Books separate and apart from all other Accounts, and the said Book and Books, duly adjusted and settled up to the Time being, to deliver annually, in the Case of a County into Court at some General or Quarter Sessions for such County, and in the Case of a Borough to the Council of the Borough, at such Time as such Council shall appoint; and the Justices for every such County at such Sessions, and the Council for every such Borough, are and is hereby required carefully to inspect all such Accounts, and to make such Orders for carrying the several Purposes aforesaid into execution as to them shall seem meet.

Provision to be made for paying Money borrowed within a limited Time not exceeding Thirty Years.

L. Provided always, That the Justices of every County and the Council of every Borough borrowing Money as aforesaid shall make Provision by means of the Rates which they are hereby respectively authorized to make, and by the Orders and Directions which they are hereby authorized to give, that the whole Principal Money to be borrowed under the Authority of this Act by such County or Borough, and all Interest for the same, shall be fully paid and discharged within a Time to be limited by such Justices or Council, not exceeding Thirty Years from the Time of borrowing the same.

Persons lending Money on Mortgage of Rates, &c. not bound to give Proof that Notices have been given, &c.

LI. No Person lending Money to any Justices of any County or the Council of any Borough, and taking a Mortgage for securing Repayment of the same, executed in manner directed by this Act, and purporting to be made under the Authority of this Act, shall be bound to require Proof that the several Provisions of this Act or of any former Act or Acts have been duly complied with; and if there be an Order of the Justices of any County in General or Quarter Sessions, or of the Council of any Borough making Application for the Loan, and any Mortgage have been thereupon duly executed, either before or after the passing of this Act, as by any Act then in force or this Act is provided, the Justices or Council (as the Case may be) shall have and be deemed to have had full Power to levy the Rates so mortgaged for Repayment of the Money so borrowed, with Interest, notwithstanding that the Provisions of this Act or any former Act or Acts may not have been complied with; and it shall not be competent to any Ratepayer or other Person to question the Validity of any such Rate or Mortgage on the Ground that such Provisions had not been complied with.

Power to raise Money to pay off Sums already borrowed.

LII. Provided also, That in every Case in which any Monies have been borrowed under the Powers of any former Act or this Act, it shall be lawful for the Justices of the County or Council of the Borough for which such Monies shall have been borrowed, (with the Consent of the Parties to whom the same shall be owing,) to pay off the Monies so borrowed, and to raise and borrow the Monies necessary for that Purpose, and also to repay the said last-mentioned Monies and the Interest thereof, under the Powers of this Act, as if such Monies were borrowed under the Powers herein-before contained; but so, nevertheless, that all Monies borrowed shall be discharged within Thirty Years from the Time of first borrowing the same.

Regulation and Management of Asylums, and Appointment of Officers.

Visitors to submit General Rules to the Secretary of State, and, subject to such General Rules, to make Regulations and determine Diet of Lunatics.

LIII. Every Committee of Visitors shall, within Twelve Months after the passing of this Act, in the Case of every Asylum already established, and General Rules for the Government whereof have not been already submitted to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and within Twelve Months after the Completion of every Asylum hereafter established, submit the existing General Rules, or General Rules to be prepared by such Committee, for the Government of the Asylum under their Superintendence to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for his Approval; and such Rules, when approved by him, shall be printed, abided by, and observed; and every such Committee shall have Power, with the like Approbation, to alter and vary such Rules from Time to Time as they think necessary; and every such Committee shall make from Time to Time such Regulations and Orders as they think fit, not inconsistent with the General Rules for the Time being in force for the Management and Conduct of the Asylum, and in such Regulations there shall be set forth the Number and Description of Officers and Servants to be kept, the Duties to be required of them, and the Salaries to be paid to them respectively; and every such Committee shall from Time to Time determine the Diet of the Patients;

Patients; and in and by such Regulations such Committee may direct that any Number of Beds in such Asylum, and in such respective Parts thereof as such Committee may think fit, shall be always reserved for such Cases as in and by such Regulations shall be in this Behalf mentioned; and in such Case such Asylum shall for the Purposes of this Act, as respects the Admission of all Cases not within the Description or Class for which such Beds are reserved, be deemed full when there are no vacant Beds in such Asylum except those so reserved, but nevertheless it shall be in the Power of the Committee of Visitors of such Asylum for the Time being to fill the Beds so reserved as they may deem expedient; and any such Committee may, if they see fit, by any such Regulations or Order, exclude from Admission into the Asylum Persons afflicted with any Disease or Malady which such Committee may deem contagious or infectious, and Persons coming from any District or Place in which any such Disease or Malady may be prevalent.

Visitors to fix weekly Rate to be paid for Maintenance of each Lunatic, not to exceed 14s. per Week.

LIV. Every Committee of Visitors shall fix a weekly Sum to be charged for the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of each Pauper Lunatic confined in such Asylum, of such Amount that the same may be sufficient to defray the whole Expense of the Lodging, Maintenance, Care, Medicine, and Clothing, and other Expenses requisite for each Pauper Lunatic, and that the total Amount of such weekly Sums, after defraying such Expenses, may also be sufficient to pay the Salaries of the Officers and Attendants, and such Committee may from Time to Time alter the Amount of such weekly Sum as Occasion may require: Provided always, that any such Committee may, if they think fit, fix a greater weekly Sum to be charged as aforesaid in respect of Pauper Lunatics other than those sent to such Asylum from or settled in some Parish or Place situate in any County or Borough to which such Asylum belongs; provided also, that such Sum shall in no Case exceed the Rate of Fourteen Shillings *per* Week; but if the aforesaid Rate of Fourteen Shillings be found insufficient for the Purposes aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the major Part of the Justices of the County or Borough, or of each County or Borough to which such Asylum may belong, present at any General or Quarter Sessions for such County, or at a Special Meeting of the Justices of such Borough, or each such County or Borough respectively, to make such Addition to such Rate as to them respectively shall seem fit and necessary, and to make an Order or Orders accordingly, which Order or Orders shall be signed by the Clerk of the Peace for the County, or Clerk to the Justices for the Borough, and forthwith published in some Newspaper commonly circulated within such County or Borough.

If the Rate be found insufficient, Justices in Quarter Sessions may increase it.

Visitors to appoint a Chaplain.

LV. The Committee of Visitors of every Asylum shall appoint a Chaplain for the same, who shall be in Priest's Orders, and shall be licensed by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Licence of any such Chaplain as aforesaid shall be revocable by the Bishop whenever he shall think fit; and such Chaplain, or his Substitute approved by the Visitors, shall perform and celebrate, in the Chapel of or in some convenient Place within or belonging to such Asylum, Divine Service according to the Rites of the Church of *England* as established by Law, on every *Sunday*, *Christmas Day*, and *Good Friday*, and shall also perform and celebrate such Service within the said Asylum at such other Times, and also such other Services according to the Rites of the Church of *England* as established by Law at such Times as the Visitors shall direct; and if any Patient be of a religious Persuasion differing from that of the Established Church, a Minister of such Persuasion, at the special Request of such Patient or his Friends, shall, with the Consent of the Medical Officer of such Asylum, and under such Regulations as he shall direct, be allowed to visit such Patient at proper and reasonable Times; and the Committee of Visitors of every Asylum shall appoint a Medical Officer, who shall be resident in such Asylum, and who shall not be Clerk or Treasurer of such Asylum, and a Clerk and Treasurer, and such other Officers and Servants for the Asylum as the Committee may think fit; and the Committee shall have Power to remove the Chaplain, Medical Officer, Clerk, and Treasurer, or any other Officer or Servant, and shall from Time to Time, upon every Vacancy, by Death, Removal, or otherwise, in the Office of the Chaplain, Medical Officer, Clerk, or Treasurer of the Asylum, appoint some other Person to such Office, subject to the Conditions and Restrictions affecting the original Appointment to such Office, and may from Time to Time fill up or not, as in their Discretion they may think fit, Vacancies among other Officers and Servants of the Asylum; and the Committee shall, if they think fit, have Power to appoint a Visiting Physician or Surgeon to every such Asylum, and shall

Patients allowed the Visits of any Minister of their own Persuasion.

Visitors to appoint Medical Officer, Clerk, and Treasurer, and such other Officers and Servants as they think fit.

shall from Time to Time appoint the Medical Officer or One of the Medical Officers (if more than One) of the Asylum, or where there is a separate Medical Officer of each Division, then the Medical Officer or One of the Medical Officers (if more than One) of each Division, to be the Superintendent of the Asylum or of such respective Division thereof, and may remove any such Officer from being such Superintendent, and such Superintendent shall be resident in the Asylum; and the Committee shall from Time to Time fix the Salaries and Wages to be paid to the Officers and Servants of the Asylum: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the said Committee, with the Sanction and Approbation of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to appoint any Person other than such Medical Officer to be such Superintendent: Provided also, that where, on the Tenth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, any Person, other than a resident Medical Officer, was the Superintendent of any Asylum, such Person may continue to be such Superintendent as if this Act had not been passed, unless and until the Committee otherwise direct.

Clerk of Asylum to transmit to Commissioners in Lunacy Information of Dismissal of Attendants.

LVI. The Clerk of every Asylum shall, within One Week after the Dismissal for Misconduct of any Nurse or Attendant employed in such Asylum, transmit to the Commissioners in Lunacy, by the Post, Information in Writing under his Hand of such Dismissal, and of the Cause thereof; and every such Clerk neglecting to transmit such Information to the said Commissioners within One Week after the Dismissal of any such Nurse or Attendant shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Visitors may grant Superannuations to the Superintendent, &c., not exceeding Two Thirds of their Salaries.

LVII. In case any Superintendent, Chaplain, Matron, or any Officer or Servant of any Asylum, become, from confirmed Sickness, Age, or Infirmity, incapable of executing the Office in Person, or have been an Officer or Servant in the Asylum for not less than Twenty Years, and be not less than Fifty Years of Age, it shall be lawful for the Committee of Visitors of such Asylum, if in their Discretion they think fit so to do, but not otherwise, to grant to such Superintendent, Chaplain, Matron, or other Officer or Servant such Annuity by way of Superannuation as they in their Discretion think proportionate to the Merits and Time of Service of such Superintendent, Chaplain, Matron, or other Officer or Servant (whether incapable from Sickness, Age, or Infirmity, or retiring from long Service and Age), and every such Annuity shall be payable out of the Rates lawfully applicable to the building or repairing of such Asylum: Provided always, that the annual Amount paid by way of Superannuation to any retired Superintendent, Chaplain, Matron, or other Officer or Servant of any Asylum shall not exceed the Amount of Two Thirds of the Salary payable at the Time of his or her Retirement, and that no such Superannuation shall be granted unless Notice of the Meeting at which the same shall be granted, and of the Intention to determine thereat the Question of such Superannuation, have been given, in such Manner and so long before the Time appointed for such Meeting as is herein-before provided with respect to Notices of Meetings of Committees of Visitors, nor unless Three Visitors concur in and sign the Order granting the same.

Clerk of the Asylum to keep Account of Monies paid and received, and send Abstract thereof annually to Secretary of State and Commissioners in Lunacy.

LVIII. The Clerk of every Asylum shall keep all Books, Documents, and Instruments which the Visitors of the Asylum are required to keep or direct to be kept, and shall also keep an Account of all Monies received or paid on account of the Asylum, either to or by the Treasurer of the Asylum or otherwise, and shall in the Month of *March* in every Year send an Abstract of such Account for the Year previous ending on the Thirty-first Day of *December* to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and to the Clerk or Clerks of the Peace of the County or Borough, or of each County or Borough, to which the Asylum shall belong, and also to the Commissioners in Lunacy, such Abstract to contain such Particulars and be in such Form as the Commissioners in Lunacy may direct; and such Commissioners shall, within One Month from the Receipt of such Abstract, cause a Copy thereof to be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

Treasurer to keep Accounts.

LIX. The Treasurer of every Asylum shall keep Accounts of all Monies received and paid by him.

Visitors to audit Accounts.

LX. The Committee of Visitors of every Asylum shall, previously to the Month of *March* in every Year, audit the Accounts of the Treasurer and Clerk of such Asylum, and shall report the same to the next General or Quarter Sessions of the County or each of the Counties,

Counties, and to the Council of the Borough or each of the Boroughs, to which the Asylum wholly or in part belongs.

Two Visitors at least to visit once in every Two Months every Asylum.

LXI. Not less than Two Members of every Committee of Visitors shall together, once at the least in every Two Months, inspect every Part of the Asylum of which they are Visitors, and see and examine, as far as Circumstances will permit, every Lunatic therein, and the Order and Certificate for the Admission of every Lunatic admitted since the last Visitation of the Visitors, and the General Books kept in such Asylum, and shall enter in a Book to be kept for that Purpose any Remarks which they may deem proper in regard to the Condition and Management of such Asylum and the Lunatics therein, and shall sign such Book upon every such Visit.

Annual Reports to be made by Committees of Visitors to Justices at Quarter Sessions, &c., and Copies sent to Commissioners in Lunacy.

LXII. The Committee of Visitors of every Asylum shall in every Year lay before the Justices of every County and Borough to which such Asylum wholly or in part belongs, at the Court of General or Quarter Sessions to be holden next after the Twentieth Day of *December* in every Year for such County, or at a Special Meeting of the Justices of such Borough to be holden within Twenty Days after the Twentieth Day of *December* in every Year, a Report in Writing of the State and Condition of such Asylum, and as to its Sufficiency for the proper Accommodation of the Number of Lunatics for whom it may be requisite to provide Accommodation, and as to the Management of such Asylum, and the Conduct of the Officers and Servants thereof, and the Care of the Patients therein, and such Committee may in such Report make such Remarks or Observations in relation to any Matters connected with such Asylum as they may think fit; and the Clerk to such Committee shall transmit a Copy of such Report to the Commissioners in Lunacy, and if any such Clerk neglect so to do for Twenty-one Days after the laying of such Report before the Justices of any County or Borough, he shall for such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

List of Pauper Patients in Asylums to be made half-yearly, and laid before Visitors, and Copies transmitted to Clerks of the Peace and Commissioners in Lunacy.
Lists of private Patients to be sent half-yearly to the Commissioners.

LXIII. The Clerk of every Asylum shall, on the First Day of *January* and the First Day of *July* in every Year, prepare a List of all Pauper Lunatics then in such Asylum, according to the Form in Schedule (C.) No. 1. to this Act annexed, and within Fifteen Days after such List shall have been prepared One Copy thereof shall be laid by such Clerk before the Visitors of the Asylum, and another shall be transmitted by him to the Clerk of the Peace of every or any County and to the Clerk to the Justices of every or any Borough to which such Asylum solely or jointly belongs, to be by him laid before the Justices of such County or Borough, and another Copy of such List shall within the same Time be transmitted by such Clerk to the Commissioners in Lunacy; and the Clerk of every Asylum receiving private Patients shall also on the First Day of *January* and First Day of *July* in every Year prepare a List containing the Christian Names and Surnames of all the private Patients in such Asylum in the Form in Schedule (C.) No. 2. to this Act annexed, and shall within Fifteen Days after such List shall have been prepared transmit the same to the Commissioners in Lunacy; and shall also within the same Time transmit to such Clerk of the Peace and Clerk to the Justices as aforesaid, for the Purposes aforesaid, a Certificate under his Hand of the Number of such private Patients of each Sex.

Clerks of Boards of Guardians, and Overseers where no Guardians, to make annual Returns of Pauper Lunatics,

LXIV. The Clerk of the Board of Guardians of every Union, and of every Parish under a Board of Guardians, and the Overseers of every Parish not in a Union nor under a Board of Guardians, shall, on the First Day of *January* in every Year, or as soon after as may be, make out and sign a true and faithful List of all Lunatics chargeable to the Union or Parish in the Form in Schedule (D.) hereunto annexed, and shall, on or before the First Day of *February* next succeeding, lay One Copy of such List before the Visitors of the Asylum, or before the Visitors of each Asylum (if more than One) of the County or Borough in which such Union or Parish is situate, and shall transmit One Copy of such List to the Clerk of the Peace of the County, or the Clerk to the Justices of the Borough within which the Union or Parish to which each such Lunatic is chargeable is situate, to be by him laid before the Justices acting for such County at their next General or Quarter Sessions, or before the Justices of such Borough, and another Copy of such List to the Commissioners in Lunacy, and another Copy thereof to the Poor Law Board; and any such Clerk or Overseer neglecting

neglecting to make out and sign such List, or to transmit Copies thereof, as herein directed, shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

Power for Medical Persons, Guardians, and Overseers of Unions and Parishes, to visit Pauper Patients of such Unions and Parishes confined in any Asylum.

LXV. Any Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary to be appointed by the Guardians of any Union or Parish or the Overseers of any Parish, and also the Guardians of any Union or Parish, and the Overseers of any Parish, shall be permitted, whenever they see fit, between the Hours of Eight in the Morning and Six in the Evening, to visit and examine any or every Pauper Lunatic chargeable to such Union or Parish confined in any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House: Provided always, that if the Medical Officer of any Asylum be of opinion that it will be injurious to any Lunatic to permit such Visit and Examination, and such Medical Officer state in Writing the Reasons why such Lunatic should not be visited and examined, and sign such Statement, and deliver the same to the Person or Persons so requiring to visit and examine such Lunatic, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for such Medical Officer to refuse such Visit and Examination; and in every such Case such Medical Officer shall forthwith enter in the Medical Journal the Reasons set forth in such Statement for such Refusal, and shall sign such Entry.

Provisions concerning Visitation, Confinement, Removal, and Discharge of Lunatics.

Every Pauper Lunatic not in an Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, to be visited once a Quarter by the Medical Officer of the Parish or Union, and Lists of such Lunatics to be sent to Commissioners in Lunacy

LXVI. Every Pauper Lunatic not in an Asylum, or a Hospital registered or a House licensed for the Reception of Lunatics, shall be visited once in every Quarter of a Year (reckoning the several Quarters of the Year as ending on the Thirty-first Day of *March*, the Thirtieth Day of *June*, the Thirtieth Day of *September*, and the Thirty-first Day of *December*,) by the Medical Officer of or for the Parish or Union or District of a Parish or Union in which such Lunatic is resident; and such Medical Officer shall be paid the Sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence for each such quarterly Visit to any Pauper not being in a Workhouse, which Sum shall be paid by the same Persons, and be charged to the same Account as the Relief of such Pauper; and within Seven Days after the End of every such Quarter such Medical Officer shall prepare and sign a List according to the Form in the Schedule (E.) to this Act of all such Lunatics, and shall state therein whether in the Opinion of such Medical Officer all or any of such Lunatics are or are not properly taken care of, and may or may not properly remain out of an Asylum, and such Medical Officer shall within the Time aforesaid deliver or send such List to the Clerk to the Guardians of such Parish or Union, or if such Parish be not under a Board of Guardians to One of the Overseers thereof; and the Forms for such Lists shall be from Time to Time furnished to the Medical Officer of every Parish under a Board of Guardians, and to the Medical Officers of every Union, by the Guardians of such Parish or Union; but nothing in this Enactment shall be taken or construed to relieve any Medical Officer from any Obligation by this Act imposed upon him to give Notice to a Relieving Officer or Overseer where it appears to such Medical Officer that any Pauper Lunatic ought to be sent to an Asylum; and such Clerk or Overseer receiving any such List as aforesaid shall, within Three Days after the Receipt thereof, transmit the same to the Commissioners in Lunacy, and a Copy thereof to the Clerk to the Visitors of the Asylum for the County or Borough in which the Parish or Union for which he is Clerk or Overseer is situate; and every such Medical Officer, Clerk, or Overseer failing to comply with this Enactment shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds nor under Two Pounds.

Provision for sending Pauper Lunatics to Asylums.

LXVII. Every Medical Officer of a Parish or Union who shall have Knowledge that any Pauper resident in such Parish, or in any Parish within the District of such Medical Officer, is or is deemed to be a Lunatic, and a proper Person to be sent to an Asylum, shall within Three Days after obtaining such Knowledge give Notice thereof in Writing to a Relieving Officer of such Parish, or if there is no Relieving Officer then to One of the Overseers of such Parish, and every Relieving Officer of any Parish within a Union or under a Board of Guardians, and every Overseer of a Parish of which there is no Relieving Officer who shall have Knowledge, either by such Notice or otherwise, that any Pauper resident in such Parish is or is deemed to be a Lunatic, and a proper Person to be sent to an Asylum, shall within Three Days after obtaining such Knowledge give Notice thereof to some Justice of the County or Borough within which such Parish is situate; and thereupon the said Justice shall, by an Order under his Hand and Seal, require such Relieving Officer or Overseer to bring such Pauper before him, or some other Justice of the said County or Borough, at such Time and

Place within Three Days from the Time of such Notice being given to such Justice as shall be appointed by the said Order; and the said Justice before whom such Pauper shall be brought shall call to his Assistance a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, and examine such Person; and if such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary shall sign a Certificate with respect to such Pauper, according to the Form in Schedule (F.) No. 3. to this Act annexed, and such Justice be satisfied, upon View, or personal Examination of such Pauper or other Proof, that such Pauper is a Lunatic, and a proper Person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, he shall, by an Order under his Hand according to the Form in the said Schedule (F.) No. 1, to this Act annexed, direct such Pauper to be received into such Asylum as herein-after mentioned, or, where herein-after authorized in this Behalf, into some Hospital registered or some House duly licensed for the Reception of Lunatics; and such Relieving Officer or Overseer shall immediately convey or cause the said Lunatic to be conveyed to such Asylum, Hospital, or House, and such Lunatic shall be received and detained therein: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for any Justice, upon Notice being given to him as aforesaid, or upon his own Knowledge, without any such Notice as aforesaid, to examine any Pauper deemed to be lunatic at his own Abode or elsewhere, and to proceed in all respects as if such Pauper were brought before him in pursuance of an Order for that Purpose; provided also, that in case any Pauper deemed to be lunatic cannot, on account of his Health or other Cause, be conveniently taken before any Justice, such Pauper may be examined at his own Abode or elsewhere by an Officiating Clergyman of the Parish in which he is resident, together with a Relieving Officer, or if there be no Relieving Officer an Overseer of such Parish, and such Officiating Clergyman, together with such Relieving Officer or Overseer, shall call to their Assistance a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary; and if such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary shall sign a Certificate with respect to such Pauper according to the said Form in the said Schedule (F.) No. 3., and if upon View or Examination of such Pauper such Officiating Clergyman and such Relieving Officer or Overseer be satisfied that such Pauper is a Lunatic, and a proper Person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, such Officiating Clergyman, together with such Overseer or Relieving Officer, shall, by an Order under their Hands according to the said Form in the said Schedule (F.) No. 1., direct such Pauper to be received into such Asylum as herein-after mentioned, or, where herein-after authorized in this Behalf, into some such registered Hospital or licensed House as aforesaid, and such Relieving Officer or Overseer shall immediately convey or cause such Pauper to be conveyed to such Asylum, Hospital, or House, and such Pauper shall be received and detained therein; provided also, that if the Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary by whom any such Pauper shall be examined shall certify in Writing that he is not in a fit State to be removed, his Removal shall be suspended until the same or some other Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary shall certify in Writing that he is fit to be removed; and every such Physician, Surgeon, and Apothecary is required to give such last-mentioned Certificate as soon as in his Judgment it ought to be given; provided also, that where a Certificate in the Form in the said Schedule (F.) No. 3. is signed by the Medical Officer of the Parish or Union in which the Pauper named therein is resident, as well as by some other Person being a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary called to the Assistance of the Justice or Clergyman and Overseer or Relieving Officer as herein-before mentioned, such joint Certificate, or such Two Certificates, (as the Case may be,) shall be received by the Justice or Clergyman and Overseer or Relieving Officer by whom such Person is examined as herein-before mentioned as conclusive Evidence that the Person named therein is a Lunatic, and a proper Person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, and he or they shall make an Order in the Form in the said Schedule (F.) No. 1. accordingly.

Provision as to Lunatics wandering at large, not being properly taken care of, or being cruelly treated, &c.

LXVIII. Every Constable of any Parish or Place, and every Relieving Officer and Overseer of any Parish, who shall have Knowledge that any Person wandering at large within such Parish or Place (whether or not such Person be a Pauper) is deemed to be a Lunatic, shall immediately apprehend and take or cause such Person to be apprehended and taken before a Justice; and it shall also be lawful for any Justice, upon its being made to appear to him by the Information upon Oath of any Person whomsoever that any Person wandering at large within the Limits of his Jurisdiction is deemed to be a Lunatic, by an Order under the

the Hand and Seal of such Justice, to require any Constable of the Parish or Place, or Relieving Officer or Overseer of the Parish where such Person may be found, to apprehend him and bring him before such Justice, or some other Justice having Jurisdiction where such Person may be found; and every Constable of any Parish or Place, and every Relieving Officer and Overseer of any Parish who shall have Knowledge that any Person in such Parish or Place not a Pauper and not wandering at large as aforesaid is deemed to be a Lunatic, and is not under proper Care and Control, or is cruelly treated or neglected by any Relative or other Person having the Care or Charge of him, shall, within Three Days after obtaining such Knowledge, give Information thereof upon Oath to a Justice, and in case it be made to appear to any Justice, upon such Information or upon the Information upon Oath of any Person whomsoever, that any Person within the Limits of his Jurisdiction not a Pauper, and not wandering at large, is deemed to be a Lunatic, and is not under proper Care and Control, or is cruelly treated or neglected by any Relative or other Person having the Care or Charge of him, such Justice shall, either himself visit and examine such Person and make Inquiry into the Matters so appearing upon such Information, or by an Order under his Hand and Seal direct and authorize some Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary to visit and examine such Person, and make such Inquiry, and to report in Writing to such Justice his Opinion thereupon; and in case upon such personal Visit, Examination, and Inquiry by such Justice, or upon the Report of such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, it appear to such Justice that such Person is a Lunatic, and is not under proper Care and Control, or is cruelly treated or neglected by any Relative or other Person having the Care or Charge of him, it shall be lawful for such Justice, by an Order under his Hand and Seal, to require any Constable of the Parish or Place, or any Relieving Officer or Overseer of the Parish, where such Person is alleged to be, to bring him before any Two Justices of the same County or Borough; and the Justice or Justices (as the Case may be) before whom any such Person as aforesaid in the respective Cases aforesaid is brought, under this Enactment, shall call to his or their Assistance a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, and shall examine such Person, and make such Inquiry relative to such Person as he or they shall deem necessary; and if upon Examination of such Person or other Proof such Justice be satisfied that such Person so brought before him is a Lunatic, and was wandering at large, and is a proper Person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, or such Two Justices be satisfied that such Person so brought before them is a Lunatic, and is not under proper Care and Control, or is cruelly treated or neglected by any Person having the Care or Charge of him, and that he is a proper Person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, and if such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary sign a Certificate with respect to every such Person so brought either before One Justice or Two Justices according to the Form in the Schedule (F.) No. 3. to this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Justice or Justices, by an Order under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, according to the Form in the Schedule (F.) No. 1. to this Act, to direct such Person to be received into such Asylum as herein-after mentioned, or, where herein-after authorized in this Behalf, into some Hospital registered or House licensed for the Reception of Lunatics, and the said Constable, Relieving Officer, or Overseer who may have brought such Person before the said Justice or Justices, or any Constable whom such Justice or Justices may require so to do, shall forthwith convey such Person to such Asylum, Hospital, or House accordingly: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for any Justice, upon such Information on Oath as aforesaid, or upon his own Knowledge, and alone, in the Case of any such Person as aforesaid wandering at large and deemed to be a Lunatic, or with some other Justice, in any other of the Cases aforesaid, to examine the Person deemed to be a Lunatic, at his own Abode or elsewhere, and to proceed in all respects as if such Person were brought before him or them as herein-before mentioned; provided also, that it shall be lawful for the said Justice or Justices to suspend the Execution of any such Order for removing any such Person as aforesaid to any Asylum, Hospital, or House for such Period not exceeding Fourteen Days as he or they may deem meet, and in the meantime to give such Directions or make such Arrangements for the proper Care and Control of such Person as he or they shall consider necessary; provided also, that if the Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary by whom such Person is examined certify in Writing that he is not in a fit State to be removed, the Removal of such Person shall be suspended until the same or some other Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary certify in Writing that such Person

is fit to be removed; and every such Physician, Surgeon, and Apothecary is hereby required to give such last-mentioned Certificate as soon as in his Judgment it ought to be given; provided also, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to restrain or prevent any Relation or Friend from retaining or taking such Lunatic under his own Care, if such Relation or Friend shall satisfy the Justice or Justices before whom such Lunatic shall be brought, or the Visitors of the Asylum in which such Lunatic is or is intended to be placed, that such Lunatic will be properly taken care of.

Power to Justices to order Payment of a Fee to any Physician, &c. called in to examine any Person.

LXIX. It shall be lawful for any Justice or Justices causing any Person to be examined by any Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, under the Provisions herein-before contained, if he or they think fit so to do, to make an Order under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals upon the Guardians of the Union or Parish or the Overseers of the Parish to which such Person is chargeable, under the Provisions herein contained, for the Payment of such reasonable Remuneration to any such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, for the Examination of such Person, and of all other reasonable Expenses in or about the Examination of such Person, and the bringing him before such Justice or Justices, and in case he be ordered to be conveyed to any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, of conveying him thereto, as to such Justice or Justices may seem proper.

Penalties on Medical Officers, Overseers, &c. omitting to give Notice as aforesaid.

LXX. If any Medical Officer of any Parish or Union omit for more than Three Days after obtaining Knowledge of any Pauper resident in such Parish, or in any Parish within his District, being or being deemed to be lunatic, and a proper Person to be sent to an Asylum, to give such Notice thereof as is herein-before required, or if any Relieving Officer of any Parish or any Overseer of any Parish of which there is no Relieving Officer omit for more than Three Days after obtaining Knowledge of any Pauper resident in such Parish, being deemed to be a Lunatic, and a proper Person to be sent to an Asylum, to give Notice thereof to a Justice as herein-before required, or if any Constable, Relieving Officer, or Overseer omit to apprehend and take before a Justice, as herein-before required, any Person wandering at large and deemed to be a Lunatic, or omit for Three Days after obtaining Knowledge that any Person deemed to be a Lunatic (not a Pauper and not wandering at large) is not under proper Care and Control, or is cruelly treated or neglected by any Person having the Care or Charge of him, to give Information thereof to a Justice as herein-before required, such Medical Officer, Relieving Officer, Overseer, or Constable, as the Case may be, shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Penalty on Relieving Officers, Overseers, and Constables delaying to execute Orders.

LXXI. If any Relieving Officer, Overseer, or Constable by this Act required to convey any Person to any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, in pursuance of any Order under this Act, refuse or wilfully neglect to execute such Order with all reasonable Expedition, he shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Orders of Justices, &c. may extend to authorize Reception into Hospitals or licensed Houses, but Lunatics to be always sent to Asylum, if Circumstances permit.

LXXII. Every such Order by a Justice or Justices, or by a Clergyman and Overseer or Relieving Officer as aforesaid, for the Reception of a Lunatic into an Asylum, may authorize his Admission, not only into any Lunatic Asylum of the County or Borough in which the Parish or Place from which the Lunatic is sent is situate, but also into any other Asylum for the Reception of Pauper Lunatics of such County or Borough, and also into any Asylum for any other County or Borough, or any Hospital registered or House licensed for the Reception of Lunatics; but every Lunatic shall under every such Order be sent to an Asylum of the County or Borough in which the Parish or Place from which he is sent is situate, unless there be no such Asylum, or there be a Deficiency of Room, or unless there be some special Circumstances by reason whereof such Lunatic cannot conveniently be taken to such Asylum, which Deficiency of Room or special Circumstances shall be stated in the Order for the Reception of such Lunatic into any Asylum other than such Asylum as aforesaid, or into any registered Hospital or licensed House; and no Lunatic shall be sent to any registered Hospital or House licensed for the Reception of Lunatics, by virtue of such Order, except there be no such Asylum, or no such Asylum in which he can be received, or there be some special Circumstances by reason whereof he cannot be taken thereto, which shall be stated in like Manner as aforesaid.

LXXIII. No Pauper shall be received into any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House (save under the Provisions herein contained with respect to Removal of Lunatics) without an Order according to the Form required in the said Schedule (F.) No. 1., under the Hands of One Justice, or under the Hands of an Officiating Clergyman, and of One of the Overseers or the Relieving Officer of the Parish or Union from which such Pauper is sent as aforesaid, together with such Statement of Particulars as is contained in the same Schedule, nor without a Medical Certificate according to the Form in the said Schedule (F.) No. 3., signed by One Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, who shall have personally examined him not more than Seven clear Days previously to his Reception; and every Person who receives any Pauper into any Asylum without such Order and Medical Certificate (save under any of the said Provisions) shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor.

No Pauper to be received into any Asylum without a certain Order and Certificate.

LXXIV. No Person, not a Pauper, shall be received into any Asylum (save under the Provisions herein contained) without an Order under the Hand of some Person according to the Form in Schedule (F.) No. 2. to this Act annexed, together with such Statement of Particulars as is contained in the same Schedule, nor without the Medical Certificate, according to the Form and containing the Particulars required in Schedule (F.) No. 3. annexed to this Act, of Two Persons, each of whom shall be a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, and shall not be in Partnership with or an Assistant to the other, and each of whom shall separately from the other have personally examined the Person to whom it relates, not more than Seven clear Days previously to the Reception of such Person into such Asylum, and such Order as aforesaid may be signed before or after the Medical Certificates or either of them; and every Person who receives any Person, not a Pauper, into any Asylum, save under the Provisions herein contained, without such Order and Medical Certificates as aforesaid, shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor: Provided always, nevertheless, that any Person may, under special Circumstances preventing the Examination of such Person by Two Medical Practitioners as aforesaid, be received into any Asylum upon the Certificate of One Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary alone, provided that the Statement accompanying such Order set forth the special Circumstances which prevent the Examination of such Person by Two Medical Practitioners; but in every such Case Two other such Certificates shall, within Three clear Days after the Reception of such Patient into such Asylum, be signed by Two other Persons, each of whom shall be a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, not in Partnership with or an Assistant to the other, or the Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary who signed the Certificate on which the Patient was received, and shall within such Time, and separately from the other of them, have personally examined the Person so received as a Lunatic; and any Person who, having received any Person into any Asylum as aforesaid upon the Certificate of One Medical Practitioner alone as aforesaid, shall keep or permit such Person to remain in such Asylum beyond the said Period of Three clear Days, without such further Certificates as aforesaid, shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor.

No Person to be received into an Asylum, except under the Provisions of this Act, without an Order and Two Medical Certificates.

LXXV. Every Physician, Surgeon, and Apothecary signing any Certificate under or for the Purposes of this Act, shall specify therein the Facts upon which he has formed his Opinion that the Person to whom such Certificate relates is a Lunatic, an Idiot, or a Person of unsound Mind, distinguishing in such Certificate Facts observed by himself from Facts communicated to him by others; and no Person shall be received into any Asylum under any Certificate which purports to be founded only upon Facts communicated by others.

Medical Certificate to specify Facts upon which Opinion of Insanity has been formed.

LXXVI. No Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary who, or whose Father, Brother, Son, Partner, or Assistant, shall sign the Order for the Reception of a Patient, shall sign any Certificate for the Reception of the same Patient, and no Patient shall be received into any Asylum upon or under any Certificate signed by any Medical Officer of such Asylum.

Who not to sign Certificate for Reception of a Patient.

LXXVII. It shall be lawful for any Two of the Visitors of any Asylum, being Justices, by an Order in Writing under their Hands and Seals, to order any Pauper Lunatic chargeable to any Parish or Union within the County or Borough or any County or Borough to which such Asylum wholly or in part belongs, or to such County, and who may be confined in any other Asylum, or in any registered Hospital or licensed House, to be removed to such first-mentioned Asylum; and it shall be lawful for any Two of the Visitors of any Asylum, being Justices, in manner aforesaid to order any Pauper Lunatic to be removed from such Asylum

Power to Two Visitors of any Asylum, being Justices, to order Removal of Pauper Lunatics to or from such Asylum.

Asylum to some other Asylum, or to some registered Hospital or licensed House; but no such Lunatic shall be removed as last aforesaid without the Consent in Writing of Two of the Commissioners in Lunacy, except to an Asylum within or belonging wholly or in part to the County within which the Asylum from which the Lunatic is removed is situate, or the County in some Parish of which the Lunatic may have been adjudged to be settled, or a registered Hospital or licensed House within any such County as aforesaid, or an Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House into which the Lunatic can be received under a subsisting Contract for the Reception of Lunatics therein; and it shall be lawful for the Justices making any such Order in and by the same to direct or require any Overseer or Relieving or other Officer of the Parish, Union, or County to which such Lunatic is chargeable, or to authorize any other Person, to execute the same; and every such Order and Consent shall be made and given respectively in Duplicate, and One Duplicate shall be delivered to and left with the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House from which the Patient is removed, and the other shall be delivered to and left with the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House to which the Patient is removed, and such Order, with such Consent in Writing (where such Consent is required), shall be a sufficient Authority for the Removal of such Patient, and also for his Reception into the Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House to which he is ordered to be removed: Provided always, that no Person shall be removed under any such Order without a Medical Certificate, signed by the Medical Officer of the Asylum, or the Medical Practitioner, or One of the Medical Practitioners, keeping, residing in, or visiting the Hospital or licensed House from which such Person is ordered to be removed, certifying that he is in a fit Condition of bodily Health to be removed in pursuance of such Order; and the Superintendent or Proprietor of such Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House shall, at the Time of delivering the Person ordered to be removed to the Overseer, Officer, or Person having the Execution of the Order for Removal, deliver to such Overseer or Officer, free of any Charge for the same, the Certificate of such Medical Officer, and also a Copy (certified under the Hand of such Superintendent or Proprietor to be a true Copy) of the Order and Certificate under which such Person was received into and detained in such Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House, and the said Certificate and certified Copies, with One Duplicate of the Order for Removal, shall be delivered by such Overseer, Officer, or Person to the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House to which such Person is ordered to be removed, or any other Officer of such Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House into whose Care such Person is delivered.

Pauper Lunatics not to be received into other than County or Borough Asylum without Endorsement of Order by a Visitor, and Orders not compulsory on Hospitals or licensed Houses.

LXXVIII. Provided always, That no Lunatic being a Pauper shall be received under any Order made by virtue of this Act into any Asylum, other than an Asylum belonging wholly or in part to the County or Borough in which the Parish or Place from which such Lunatic is sent, or the Parish in which he is adjudged to be settled, is situate, except there be a subsisting Contract for the Reception of Lunatics of such County or Borough therein, or such Borough otherwise contributes to such Asylum, unless such Order be endorsed by a Visitor of such Asylum; and it shall not be compulsory on the Superintendent of any registered Hospital or the Proprietor of any licensed House to receive any Lunatic under any such Order, except in pursuance of any subsisting Contract.

Discharge of Lunatics from Asylums.

LXXIX. It shall be lawful for any Three of the Visitors of any Asylum, by Writing under their Hands and Seals, to order the Discharge of any Person detained in such Asylum, whether such Person be recovered or not, and also for any Two of such Visitors, with the Advice in Writing of the Medical Officer of such Asylum, to discharge any Person detained therein, or to permit any such Person to be absent from the Asylum upon Trial for such Period as such Visitors think fit; and it shall be lawful for such Visitors to make such Allowance to such last-mentioned Person, not exceeding what would be the Charge for such Person if in the Asylum, which Allowance, and no greater Sum, shall be charged for him and be payable as if he were actually in the Asylum; and in case any Person so allowed to be absent on Trial for any Period do not return at the Expiration of such Period, and a Medical Certificate as to his State of Mind, certifying that his Detention in an Asylum is no longer necessary, be not sent to the Visitors, he may, at any Time within Fourteen Days after the Expiration of such Period, be retaken, as herein provided in the Case of an Escape.

LXXX. When

Overseers and Relieving Officers to remove Lunatics upon Notice of Discharge, and to be liable to a Penalty for Refusal or wilful Neglect.

LXXX. When the Visitors of any Asylum shall order a Pauper Lunatic confined therein to be discharged therefrom, it shall be lawful for them, when they shall see Occasion, to send Notice in Writing, signed by their Clerk, through the Post or otherwise, of their Intention to discharge such Lunatic, to the Overseers of the Parish wherein it shall have been adjudged that such Lunatic is settled, or, if no such Adjudication shall have been made, to the Overseers of the Parish from which such Lunatic shall have been sent to such Asylum, unless such Lunatic shall be chargeable to the Common Fund of any Union, and in any such last-mentioned Case to some One Relieving Officer of such Union; and upon Receipt of such Notice the Overseers or Relieving Officers respectively shall cause such Lunatic, upon his Discharge, to be forthwith removed to their Parish, or to the Workhouse of the Union at the Cost and Charge of their Parish, or of the Common Fund of the Union, as the Case shall require; and any Overseer or Relieving Officer who shall refuse or wilfully neglect to remove such Lunatic from the said Asylum within the Space of Seven Days after such Notice shall have been sent to him shall be guilty of an Offence against this Act, and shall forfeit for such Offence any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds, to be recovered as other Penalties imposed by this Act are recoverable.

Visitors may discharge a Lunatic on the Undertaking of a Relative or Friend that he shall no longer be chargeable, and shall be taken care of.

LXXXI. Where Application is made to the Committee of Visitors of any Asylum by any Relative or Friend of a Pauper Lunatic confined therein, requiring that he may be delivered over to the Custody and Care of such Relative or Friend, it shall be lawful for any Two of the Visitors aforesaid, if they think fit, and upon the Undertaking in Writing of such Relative or Friend to the Satisfaction of such Visitors that such Lunatic shall be no longer chargeable to any Union, Parish, or County, and shall be properly taken care of, and shall be prevented from doing Injury to himself or others, to discharge such Lunatic.

Commissioners in Lunacy may order Removal of Lunatics.

LXXXII. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners in Lunacy, or any Two of them, by Writing under their Hands and Seals, to order and direct the Removal of any Lunatic from any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House to any other Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House; and every such Order shall be made in Duplicate, and One Duplicate shall be delivered to and left with the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House from which the Patient is removed, and the other shall be delivered to and left with the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House to which the Patient is removed, and such Order shall be a sufficient Authority for the Removal of such Patient, and also for his Reception into the Asylum, Hospital, or licensed House to which he is ordered to be removed.

The Person who signed the Order for the Reception of a private Patient may order his Discharge or Removal.

LXXXIII. If and when any Person who signed the Order on which any Patient (not being a Pauper) was received into any Asylum (whether or not such Patient have since been removed under any Order made under this Act or otherwise to any other Asylum) shall by Writing under his Hand direct that such Patient be discharged or removed, then and in such Case such Patient shall forthwith be discharged or removed as the Person who signed the Order for his Reception may direct.

Provision where the Person who signed the Order for Reception is dead or incapable of acting.

LXXXIV. If the Person who signed the Order on which any Patient (not being a Pauper) was received into any Asylum be dead, or be incapable, by reason of Insanity, Absence from *England*, or otherwise, of giving an Order for the Discharge or Removal of such Patient, then the Person who made the last Payment on account of such Patient, or the Husband or Wife, or (if there be no Husband, or the Husband or Wife be incapable as aforesaid,) the Father or (if there be no Father, or he be incapable as aforesaid,) the Mother of such Patient, or if there be no Mother, or she be incapable as aforesaid, then any One of the nearest of Kin for the Time being of such Patient, may, by Writing under his or her Hand, give such Direction as aforesaid for the Discharge or Removal of such Patient, and thereupon such Patient shall be forthwith discharged or removed accordingly.

Patient not to be discharged where certified to be dangerous, without Visitors Consent.

LXXXV. Provided always, That no Patient shall be discharged under either of the Two last foregoing Provisions if the Medical Officer of the Asylum in which such Patient is certify in Writing under his Hand that in the Opinion of such Medical Officer such Patient is dangerous and unfit to be at large, together with the Grounds on which such Opinion is founded, unless Two of the Visitors of such Asylum, being Justices, shall, after such Certificate

Certificate shall have been produced to them, give their Consent in Writing to such Patient's being so discharged; provided that nothing in this Enactment shall prevent the Transfer of any Patient so certified to be dangerous and unfit to be at large from any Asylum to any other Asylum, or to any registered Hospital or licensed House, but in such Case the Patient shall be placed under the Control of an Attendant belonging to the Asylum, Hospital, or House from or to which he is about to be removed for the Purpose of such Removal, and shall remain under such Control until such Time as the Removal has been duly effected.

Not to prevent Transfer under Control of an Attendant.

Provision authorizing Transfer of private and single Patients.

LXXXVI. Any Person, having Authority to order the Discharge of any Patient (not being a Pauper) from any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, or of any single Patient, may, with the previous Consent in Writing of Two of the Commissioners, direct, by an Order in Writing under his Hand, the Removal of such Patient to any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, or to the Care or Charge of any Person mentioned or named in such Order; and every such Order and Consent shall be made and given respectively in Duplicate, and One of the Duplicates shall be delivered to and left with the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House from which or the Person from whose Care or Charge the Patient is ordered to be removed, and the other Duplicate shall be delivered to and left with the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House into which or the Person into whose Care or Charge the Patient is ordered to be removed; and such Order for Removal, together with such Consent in Writing, shall be a sufficient Authority for the Removal of such Patient, and also for his Reception into the Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House into which or by the Person into whose Care or Charge he is ordered to be removed: Provided always, that a Copy of the Order and Certificates upon which such Patient was received into the Asylum, Hospital, or House from which he is removed, or as a single Patient, by the Person from whose Care he is removed, certified under the Hand of the Superintendent or Proprietor of such Asylum, Hospital, or House, or of such Person as last aforesaid, to be a true Copy, shall be furnished by him free of Expense, and shall be delivered, with One Duplicate of the said Order of Removal and Consent, to the Superintendent or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House to which or to the Person to whose Care or Charge such Patient is removed.

Orders and Medical Certificates may be amended.

LXXXVII. If after the Reception of any Lunatic into any Asylum it appear that the Order or the Medical Certificate, or (if more than One) both or either of the Medical Certificates, upon which he was received, is or are in any respect incorrect or defective, such Order and Medical Certificate or Certificates may be amended by the Person or Persons signing the same at any Time within Fourteen Days next after the Reception of such Lunatic; provided nevertheless, that no such Amendment shall have any Force or Effect unless the same shall receive the Sanction of One or more of the Commissioners in Lunacy.

Persons received into Asylums, &c. may be detained till Removal or Discharge, and in case of Escape may be retaken within 14 Days.

LXXXVIII. Every Person received into any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House under such Order as is required by this Act, accompanied by the requisite Medical Certificate, may be detained therein until he be removed or discharged as authorized by this Act, and in case of Escape may, by virtue of such Order and Certificate or Certificates, be retaken at any Time within Fourteen Days after his Escape by the Superintendent or Proprietor of such Asylum, Hospital, or House, or any Officer or Servant belonging thereto, or any other Person authorized in Writing in this Behalf by such Superintendent or Proprietor, and conveyed to and received and detained in such Asylum, Hospital, or House.

Every Clerk receiving a Lunatic into an Asylum to make an Entry thereof, and to transmit a Copy of the Order and Certificate of Medical Officer of the Asylum to Commissioners in Lunacy.

LXXXIX. The Clerk of every Asylum shall, immediately on the Admission of any Person as a Lunatic into such Asylum, make an Entry with respect to such Lunatic in a Book to be kept for that Purpose, to be called "The Register of Patients," according to the Form and containing the Particulars specified in the Schedule (G.) No. 1. to this Act, except as to the Form of Disorders, the Entry as to which is to be supplied by the Medical Officer of the Asylum within One Month after the Admission of the Patient, and after the Second and before the End of the Seventh clear Day from the Day of the Admission of any Person as a Lunatic into any Asylum shall transmit to the Commissioners in Lunacy a Copy of the Order and Statement and Certificate or Certificates on which such Lunatic has been so received, together with a Statement, to be made and signed by the Medical Officer of the Asylum, not sooner than Two clear Days after such Admission, according to the Form in the said Schedule (F.)

(F.) No. 4. to this Act annexed; and any Clerk omitting so to make such Entry, or to transmit such Copy and Statement within the Time aforesaid, and every Medical Officer omitting to make or sign such Statement, shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

Weekly Journal and Case Book to be kept in every Asylum.

XC. In every Asylum the Medical Officer thereof shall once in every Week enter in a Book to be kept for that Purpose, to be called "The Medical Journal," a Statement according to the Form in the said Schedule (G.) No. 3., showing the Number of Patients of each Sex then in such Asylums, the Christian Name and Surname of every Patient who is or has been under Restraint or in Seclusion since the last Entry, and when and for what Period and Reasons, and in case of Restraint by what Means, and the Christian Name and Surname of every Patient under Medical Treatment, and for what, if any, bodily Disorder, and every Death, Injury, and Violence which shall have happened to or affected any Patient since the then last preceding Entry, and shall also enter into a Book to be called "The Case Book," as soon as may be after the Admission of any Patient, the mental State and bodily Condition of every Patient at the Time of his Admission, and also the History from Time to Time of his Case whilst he shall continue in the Asylum; and such Books shall from Time to Time be regularly laid before the Visitors for their Inspection and Signature, and every Medical Officer omitting to make such Entries or any of them, shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

Copies of Entries made by Commissioners visiting Asylums to be sent to the Office of Commissioners.

XCI. The Clerk of every Asylum shall, within Three Days after every Visit to such Asylum of Two or more of the Commissioners in Lunacy, transmit to the Office of such Commissioners a true and perfect Copy of any Entries of any Remarks or Observations made by such Visiting Commissioners in any of the Books of such Asylum, and every such Clerk omitting to transmit as aforesaid any such Copy shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds.

In case of the Death of a Lunatic the Cause of Death to be stated, and sent to the Registrar of Deaths, the Commissioners in Lunacy, and Relieving Officer or Overseers.

XCII. In case of the Death of any Patient in any Asylum a Notice and Statement according to the Form in Schedule (F.) No. 5. of the Death and Cause of the Death of such Patient, and the Name of any Person or Persons who was or were present at the Death, shall be drawn up and signed by the Clerk and Medical Officer of such Asylum, and a Copy thereof shall be by the Clerk transmitted to the Registrar of Deaths for the District and to the Commissioners in Lunacy within Forty-eight Hours of the Death of such Patient, and also to the Relieving Officer or the Overseers of the Union or Parish to which such Lunatic (if a Pauper) was chargeable, and if not a Pauper to the Person who shall have signed the Order for the Admission of the Lunatic, or who made the last Payment on account of such Lunatic; and every Clerk or Medical Officer who neglects or omits to draw up, sign, or transmit such Notice or Statement as aforesaid, within the Time aforesaid, shall respectively forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

Entries to be made of Deaths, Discharges, and Removals, and Notice given to the Commissioners in case of the Discharge, Removal, Escape, and Recapture of every Lunatic.

XCIII. The Clerk of every Asylum shall, within Three clear Days after the Death, Discharge, or Removal of any Patient, make an Entry thereof in the said Register of Patients, and also in a Book to be kept for that Purpose according to the Form and containing the Particulars in the Schedule (G.) No. 2. to this Act, and shall also, within Three clear Days after the Discharge, Removal, Escape, or Recapture of any Patient, transmit a written Notice of such Discharge or Removal, according to the Form in the said Schedule (F.) No. 5., or of such Escape or Recapture, to the Commissioners in Lunacy; and every such Clerk who neglects or omits to make such Entry as aforesaid, or transmit such Notice as aforesaid within the Time aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds; and every such Clerk who shall knowingly and wilfully in such Entry untruly set forth any of the Particulars required shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor.

As to Expense of Maintenance and Removal, &c. of Pauper and other Lunatics.

How Justices are to proceed

XCIV. Where any Lunatic shall be sent to an Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, under any Order made by virtue of the Authority herein-before given to Two Justices, if it appear to such Justices that such Lunatic hath an Estate applicable to his Maintenance, and more than sufficient to maintain his Family (if any), it shall be lawful for such Justices to make an Application in Writing under their Hands and Seals to the nearest known Relative or Friend of such Lunatic, for the Payment of the Charges of the Examination,

where it appears to them that the Lunatic has Property applicable to his Maintenance.

tion, Removal, Lodging, Maintenance, Clothing, Medicine, and Care of such Lunatic; and in case such Charges be not paid within One Month after such Application, it shall be lawful for the same or any other Justices, by an Order under their Hands and Seals, to direct a Relieving Officer or Overseer of the Parish from which such Lunatic shall be sent, or where any Property of such Lunatic shall be, to seize so much of the Money, and to seize and sell so much of the Goods and Chattels, and take and receive so much of the Rents and Profits of the Lands and Tenements of such Lunatic, and of any other Income of such Lunatic, as may be necessary to pay the Charges of the Examination, Removal, Lodging, Maintenance, Clothing, Medicine, and Care of such Lunatic, accounting for the same to the same or any other Justices, such Charges having been first proved to the Satisfaction of the said Justices, and the Amount set forth in such Order; and if any Trustee or other Person having the Possession, Custody, or Charge of any Property of such Lunatic, or if the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or any other Body or Person having in their or his Hands any Stock, Interest, Dividend, or Annuity belonging or due to such Lunatic, pay the whole or any Part thereof to any Overseer or Relieving Officer, to defray the Charges set forth in such Order, the Receipt of such Overseer or Relieving Officer shall be a good Discharge to such Trustee, Governor, and Company, or other Body or Person as aforesaid: Provided always, that notwithstanding it may appear to the said Justices that such Lunatic hath such Estate as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for such Justices, in the meantime and until such Charges as aforesaid shall be paid, in pursuance of such Application or Order as aforesaid, to make an Order on the Guardians of the Union or Parish, or the Overseers of the Parish, from which such Lunatic shall be sent for Confinement, for Payment of the Charges of the Removal, Lodging, Maintenance, Clothing, Medicine, and Care of such Lunatic; and such Guardians or Overseers shall be reimbursed such Charges under any Order to be made as aforesaid for Payment of such Charges, out of the Property of the Lunatic, unless the same be sooner repaid by some Relative or Friend of such Lunatic in pursuance of such Application as aforesaid.

Every Pauper Lunatic to be chargeable to the Parish from which he is sent till otherwise adjudged.

XCV. When any Pauper Lunatic is confined under the Provisions of this Act he shall, for the Purposes of this Act, be chargeable to the Parish from which, or at the Instance of some Officer or Officiating Clergyman of which, he has been sent, unless and until such Parish shall have established, under the Provisions herein contained, that such Lunatic is settled in some other Parish, or that it cannot be ascertained in what Parish such Lunatic is settled; and every Pauper Lunatic who is chargeable to any Parish shall, whilst he resides in an Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, be deemed for the Purposes of his Settlement to be residing in the Parish to which he is chargeable.

Justices to make an Order upon the Officers of Unions and Parishes for Maintenance of Lunatics.

XCVI. It shall be lawful for the Justice by whom any Pauper Lunatic is sent to an Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, under the Powers of this Act, or for any Two Justices of the County or Borough in which the Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House in which any Pauper Lunatic is confined is situate, or from any Part of which any Pauper Lunatic has been sent, or for any Two Justices being Visitors of such Asylum or licensed House, to make an Order upon the Guardians of the Union or Parish or the Overseers of the Parish (if not in a Union or under a Board of Guardians) from which, or at the Instance of any Officer or Officiating Clergyman of which, such Lunatic is or has been sent for Confinement, for Payment to the Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House of the reasonable Charges of the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic in such Asylum, Hospital, or House, and any such Order may be retrospective or prospective, or partly retrospective and partly prospective; and the Guardians or Overseers on whom such Order shall be made shall from Time to Time pay to the said Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor the Charges aforesaid.

Two Justices may inquire into and adjudge the Settlement of a Lunatic, and order Payment of Maintenance, &c. accordingly.

XCVII. It shall be lawful for any Two Justices for the County or Borough in which any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House in which any Pauper Lunatic is or has been confined is situate, or to which such Asylum wholly or in part belongs, or from any Part of which any Pauper Lunatic is or has been sent for Confinement, at any Time to inquire into the last legal Settlement of such Pauper Lunatic, and if satisfactory Evidence can be obtained as to such Settlement in any Parish, such Justices shall, by Order under their Hands and Seals,

Seals, adjudge such Settlement accordingly, and order the Guardians of the Union to which the Parish in which such Lunatic is adjudged to be settled belongs, or of such Parish in case such Parish be in a Union or be under a Board of Guardians, and if not, then the Overseers of such Parish, to pay to the Guardians of any Union or Parish, or the Overseers of any Parish, all Expenses incurred by or on behalf of such Union or Parish in or about the Examination of such Lunatic, and the bringing him before a Justice or Justices, and his Conveyance to the Asylum, Hospital, or House, and of all Monies paid by such last-mentioned Guardians or Overseers to the Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House, for the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic, and incurred within Twelve Calendar Months previous to the Date of such Order, and, if such Lunatic is still in Confinement, also to pay to the Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House, the reasonable Charges of the future Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic; and the Guardians or Overseers on whom any such Order is made shall immediately pay to the Guardians or Overseers to whom the same are ordered to be paid the Amount of the Expenses and Monies by such Order directed to be paid to them, and from Time to Time pay to the said Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House the future Charges aforesaid.

If Settlement cannot be ascertained, a Pauper Lunatic may be made chargeable to the County.

XCVIII. If any Pauper Lunatic be not settled in the Parish by which, or at the Instance of some Officer or Officiating Clergyman of which, he is sent to any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, and it cannot be ascertained in what Parish such Pauper Lunatic is settled, and if a Relieving Officer of such first-mentioned Parish, or of the Union in which the same is situate, or the Overseers of such first-mentioned Parish, shall give Ten Days Notice to the Clerk of the Peace of the County in which such Lunatic was found to appear for such County before Two Justices thereof, at a Time and Place to be appointed in such Notice, it shall be lawful for such Two Justices, or any Two or more Justices of such County, upon the Appearance of such Clerk of the Peace, or any one on his Behalf, or, in case of his Non-appearance, upon Proof of his having been served with such Notice, to inquire into the Circumstances of the Case, and to adjudge such Pauper Lunatic to be chargeable to such County, and to order the Treasurer of such County to pay to the Guardians of any Union or Parish or the Overseers of any Parish all Expenses incurred by or on behalf of such Union or Parish in or about the Examination of such Lunatic, and the bringing him before a Justice or Justices, and his Conveyance to the Asylum, Hospital, or House, and all Monies paid by such Guardians or Overseers to the Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House, for the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic, and incurred within Twelve Calendar Months previous to the Date of such Order, and (if such Lunatic is still in Confinement) also to pay to the Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House the reasonable Charges of the future Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic; and every such Treasurer of a County on whom any such Order is made shall, out of any Monies which may come into his Hands by virtue of his Office, immediately pay to such Guardians or Overseers the Amount of the Expenses and Monies by such Order directed to be paid to them, and from Time to Time pay to the said Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House the future Charges aforesaid: Provided always, that such Justices may direct such Inquiry to be made to ascertain the Parish in which any Pauper Lunatic is settled as they think fit, and delay adjudging such Pauper Lunatic to be chargeable to any County until such further Inquiry has been made: Provided also, that every County to which any Pauper Lunatic is adjudged to be chargeable as aforesaid may at any Time thereafter inquire as to the Parish in which such Lunatic is settled, and may procure such Lunatic to be adjudged to be settled in any Parish.

Provision for Reimbursement to a County of Monies paid on account of a Lunatic afterwards adjudged to belong to any Parish.

XCIX. If, after any Pauper Lunatic has been sent to an Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House as aforesaid, and has been adjudged to be chargeable to a County, such County procure such Lunatic to be adjudged to be settled in any Parish, it shall be lawful for any Two Justices of the County or Borough in which the Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House in which such Lunatic is confined is situate, or from any Part of which such Lunatic was sent for Confinement, or for any Two Justices being Visitors of such Asylum or licensed House, to make an Order upon the Guardians of the Union to which such

such Parish belongs, or of any such Parish, if such Parish be in a Union or be under a Board of Guardians, or if not, then upon the Overseers of such Parish, for Payment to the Treasurer of the said County of all Expenses and Monies paid by such Treasurer as herein-before is provided, and of all Monies paid by such Treasurer to the Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House, for the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic, and incurred within Twelve Calendar Months previous to such Order, and (if such Lunatic is still in Confinement) also for Payment to the Treasurer or Officer or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House of the reasonable Charges of the future Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic; and such Guardians or Overseers shall immediately pay to the Treasurer of such County the Amount of the Expenses and Monies by such Order directed to be paid to him, and from Time to Time pay to the said Treasurer, Officer, or Proprietor of the Asylum, Hospital, or House the future Charges aforesaid.

Justices to make Orders out of their respective Jurisdictions.

C. It shall be lawful for any Justices herein-before authorized to make any such Order as aforesaid upon the Guardians of any Union or Parish, or upon the Overseers of any Parish, to make such Order upon such Guardians or Overseers, although such Union or Parish be not within the Jurisdiction of such Justices.

Order for Payment of Charges of Maintenance in Asylums, &c. to extend to any Asylum, &c. to which the Lunatic may be removed.

CI. Where any Order has been made for the Payment of the future Charges of the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of any Lunatic in any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, such Order shall extend to and be applicable in respect of the Charges of the Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Lunatic in any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House to which he may be removed under the Powers of this or any other Act, in like Manner as if such Charges had by such Order been directed to be paid to the Treasurer or an Officer or the Proprietor of the Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House in which such Lunatic may for the Time being be confined.

The Costs of Pauper Lunatics who are irremoveable to be borne by the Parish wherein they were exempt from Removal, or by the Common Fund in Unions.

CII. Provided always, That all the Expenses incurred since the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, or hereafter to be incurred, in and about the Examination, bringing before a Justice or Justices, Removal, Lodging, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of a Pauper Lunatic heretofore or hereafter removed to an Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House under the Authority of this or any other Act, who would, at the Time of his being conveyed to such Asylum, Hospital, or House, have been exempt from Removal to the Parish of his Settlement or the Country of his Birth by reason of some Provision in the Act of the Session holden in the Ninth and Tenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Sixty-six, shall be paid by the Guardians of the Parish wherein such Lunatic shall have acquired such Exemption if such Parish be subject to a separate Board of Guardians, or by the Overseers of such Parish where the same is not subject to such separate Board, and where such Parish shall be comprised in any Union the same shall be paid by the Guardians, and be charged to the Common Fund of such Union so long as the Cost of the Relief of Paupers rendered irremoveable by the last-mentioned Act shall continue to be chargeable upon the Common Funds of Unions; and no Order shall be made under any Provision contained in this or any other Act upon the Parish of the Settlement in respect of any such Lunatic Pauper during the Time that the above-mentioned Charges are to be paid and charged as herein provided; and Section Five of the Act of the Session holden in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter One hundred and three, shall be repealed.

Section 5. of 12 & 13 Vict. c. 103. repealed.

Guardians and Overseers may pay Charges without Orders of Justices.

CIII. Provided also, That any Guardians or Overseers who would be liable under any Provision contained in this Act to have an Order made upon them for the Payment of any Money may pay the same without any such Order being made, and may charge the same to such Account as they could have done if such Order had been made.

Lunatic's Property to be available for his Maintenance.

CIV. If it appear to any Justice or Justices by this Act authorized to make any Order for the Payment of Money for the Maintenance of any Lunatic that such Lunatic has an Estate, Real or Personal, applicable to his Maintenance, and more than sufficient to maintain his Family, if any, he or they shall, by an Order under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands

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and Seals, direct the Overseers of the Parish, or a Relieving Officer of the Parish or Union, or the Treasurer or some other Officer of the County to which such Lunatic is chargeable, or in which any Property of the Lunatic may be, or an Officer of the Asylum in which the Lunatic may be, to seize so much of any Money, and to seize and sell so much of the Goods and Chattels, and to take and receive so much of the Rents and Profits of the Lands and Tenements of such Lunatic and other Income of such Lunatic, as may be necessary to pay the Charges of the Examination, bringing before a Justice or Justices, Removal, Lodging, Maintenance, Clothing, Medicine, and Care of such Lunatic, accounting for the same to such Justice or Justices, such Charges having been first proved to the Satisfaction of such Justice or Justices, and the Amount set forth in such Order; and if any Trustee or other Person having the Possession, Custody, or Charge of any Property of such Lunatic, or if the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or any other Body or Person having in their or his Hands any Stock, Interest, Dividend, or Annuity belonging or due to such Lunatic, pay any Money according to any such Order, or pay any Money without any such Order, to the Guardians of any Union or Parish, or to any Overseer of any Parish not in a Union or under a Board of Guardians, or to the Treasurer of any County, or any other Officer of any County authorized to receive the same, to defray the Charges paid or incurred by or on behalf of such Parish, Union, or County for the Examination, bringing before a Justice or Justices, Removal, Lodging, Maintenance, Clothing, Medicine, and Care of such Lunatic, the Receipt of the Person authorized to receive such Money under such Order, or of such Guardians, Overseer, or Treasurer, or other Officer, shall be a good Discharge to such Trustee, Governor, and Company, or other Body or Person as aforesaid.

Liability of Relations of Pauper not to be affected.

CV. The Liability of any Relation or Person to maintain any Lunatic shall not be taken away or affected where such Lunatic is sent to or confined in any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House by any Provision herein contained concerning the Maintenance of such Lunatic.

Persons aggrieved by Refusal of an Order may appeal to the Sessions.

CVI. If any Person feel aggrieved by any Refusal of an Order of any Justice or Justices as aforesaid, such Person may appeal to the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the County or Borough where the Matter of Appeal has arisen, the Person so appealing having given to the Justice or Justices against whom such Appeal is made Fourteen clear Days Notice of such Appeal, and such Sessions are hereby authorized and required to hear and determine the Matter of such Appeal in a summary Way, and their Determination shall be final and conclusive.

Party obtaining Order of Adjudication to send Copy thereof and Statement of Grounds to the Parish or County affected.

CVII. The Overseers of any Parish, and the Guardians of any Union or Parish, and the Clerk of the Peace of any County, obtaining any Order under this Act adjudging the Settlement of any Lunatic to be in any Parish, shall, within a reasonable Time after such Order has been made, send or deliver, by Post or otherwise, to the Overseers or Guardians of the Parish in which such Lunatic is adjudged to be settled, a Copy or Duplicate of such Order, and also a Statement in Writing under their or his Hands or Hand, or where they are the Guardians of a Union or Parish under the Hands of any Three or more of such Guardians, stating the Description and Address of the Overseers, Guardians, or Clerk of the Peace obtaining such Order, and the Place of Confinement of the Lunatic, and setting forth the Grounds of such Adjudication, including the Particulars of any Settlement or Settlements relied upon in support thereof; and on the Hearing of any Appeal against any such Order it shall not be lawful for the Respondents to go into or give Evidence of any other Grounds in support of such Order than those set forth in such Statement.

Appeal against Order of Adjudication.

CVIII. If the Guardians of any Union or Parish, or the Overseers of any Parish, feel aggrieved by any such Order as aforesaid adjudging the Settlement of any Lunatic, they or he may appeal against the same to the next General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the County in behalf of which such Order has been obtained, or in which the Union or Parish obtaining such Order is situate, or in case such Parish or Union extend into several Jurisdictions, then to the next General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the County or Borough in which the Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House in which such Lunatic is or has been confined is situate, and such Sessions upon hearing the said Appeal shall have full Power finally to determine the Matter.

CIX. That

Copy of Depositions to be furnished on Application.

CIX. The Clerk to the Justices making any Order adjudging the Settlement of any Lunatic, or the Clerk of the Peace in the Case herein-after provided for, shall keep the Depositions upon which such Order was made, and shall within Seven Days furnish a Copy of such Depositions to any Party authorized to appeal against such Order, if such Party apply for such Copy, and pay for the same at the Rate of Twopence for every Folio of Seventy-two Words; provided that no Omission or Delay in furnishing such Copy of the Depositions shall be deemed or construed to be any Ground of Appeal against the Order: Provided also, that on the Trial of any Appeal against any such Order, no such Order shall be quashed or set aside either wholly or in part on the Ground that such Depositions do not furnish sufficient Evidence to support, or that any Matter therein contained or omitted raises an Objection to the Order, or Grounds on which the same was made: Provided also, that if the Justices who make any such Order have not any Clerk, they shall send or deliver the Depositions to the Clerk of the Peace of the County or Borough to the General Quarter Sessions whereof the Appeal against such Order is given by this Act, and the Party obtaining such Order shall, in such Statement of Grounds of Adjudication as aforesaid, state that such Justices have not any Clerk.

No Appeal if Notice not given within a certain Time after Notice of Order.

CX. No Appeal shall be allowed against any such Order if Notice in Writing of such Appeal be not sent or delivered by Post or otherwise to the Party on whose Application the Order was obtained within the Space of Twenty-one Days after the sending or Delivery, as herein-before directed, of a Copy or Duplicate of such Order and such Statement as herein-before mentioned, unless within such Period of Twenty-one Days a Copy of the Depositions shall have been applied for as aforesaid by the Party intending to appeal, in which Case a further Period of Fourteen Days after the sending of such Copy shall be allowed for the giving of such Notice of Appeal.

Grounds of Appeal to be stated.

CXI. In every Case where Notice of Appeal against such Order is given the Appellant shall, with such Notice, or Fourteen Days at least before the First Day of the Sessions at which such Appeal is intended to be tried, send or deliver by Post or otherwise to the Respondent a Statement in Writing under their or his Hands or Hand, or, where the Appellants are the Guardians of any Union or Parish, under the Hands of any Three or more of such Guardians, of the Grounds of such Appeal; and it shall not be lawful for the Appellant on the Hearing of any Appeal to go into or give Evidence of any other Grounds of Appeal than those set forth in such Statement.

As to the Sufficiency of Statement of Grounds of Adjudication or Appeal.

Power to amend Statement.

CXII. Upon the Hearing of any Appeal against any such Order no Objection whatever on account of any Defect in the Form of setting forth any Ground of Adjudication or Appeal in any such Statement shall be allowed, and no Objection to the Reception of legal Evidence offered in support of any such Ground alleged to be set forth in any such Statement shall prevail unless the Court be of opinion that such alleged Ground is so imperfectly or incorrectly set forth as to be insufficient to enable the Party receiving the same to inquire into the Subject of such Statement, and to prepare for Trial: Provided always, that in all Cases where the Court is of opinion that any such Objection to such Statement or to the Reception of Evidence ought to prevail, it shall be lawful for such Court, if it so think fit, to cause any such Statement to be forthwith amended by some Officer of the Court, or otherwise, on such Terms as to Payment of Costs to the other Party, or postponing the Trial to another Day in the same Sessions, or to the next subsequent Sessions, or both Payment of Costs and Postponement, as to such Court appears just and reasonable.

Power for Court to amend Order on account of Omission or Mistake.

Proviso.

CXIII. If, upon the Trial of any Appeal against any such Order, or upon the Return to a Writ of Certiorari, any Objection be made on account of any Omission or Mistake in the drawing up of such Order, and it be shown to the Satisfaction of the Court that sufficient Grounds were in proof before the Justices making such Order to have authorized the drawing up thereof free from the said Omission or Mistake, it shall be lawful for the Court, upon such Terms as to Payment of Costs as it think fit, to amend such Order and to give Judgment as if no such Omission or Mistake had existed: Provided always, that no Objection on account of any Omission or Mistake in any such Order brought up upon a Return to a Writ of Certiorari shall be allowed, unless such Omission or Mistake have been specified in the Rule for issuing such Writ of Certiorari.

CXIV. If

Party making frivolous or vexatious Statement of Grounds liable to pay Costs.

CXIV. If either of the Parties to the said Appeal shall have included in the Statement of Grounds of Adjudication or of Appeal sent to the opposite Party any Ground or Grounds in support of the Order or of Appeal which, in the Opinion of the Court determining the Appeal, is or are frivolous and vexatious, such Party shall be liable, at the Discretion of the said Court, to pay the whole or any Part of the Costs incurred by the other Party in disputing any such Ground or Grounds.

Party losing Appeal to pay such Costs as Court may direct.

CXV. Upon every such Appeal the Court before whom the same is brought shall and may, if they think fit, order and direct the Party against which the same is decided to pay to the other such Costs and Charges as may to such Court appear just and reasonable, and shall certify the Amount thereof.

Decisions of Courts upon hearing Appeals to be final.

CXVI. The Decision of the Court upon the Hearing of any Appeal against any such Order, as well upon the Sufficiency and Effect of the Statement of the Grounds in support of the Order and Appeal, and of the Copy or Duplicate of the Order sent to the Appellant Parish or County, as upon the amending or refusing to amend the Order as aforesaid, or the Statement of Grounds, shall be final, and shall not be liable to be reviewed in any Court by means of a Writ of Certiorari or Mandamus or otherwise.

Abandonment of Orders.

CXVII. In any Case in which an Order has been made as aforesaid, and a Copy or Duplicate thereof sent as herein required, it shall and may be lawful for the Party who has obtained such Order, whether any Notice of Appeal against such Order has or has not been given, and whether any Appeal has or has not been entered, to abandon such Order, by Notice in Writing under the Hand or Hands of such Party, or, where such Order has been obtained by the Guardians of any Union, under the Hands of any Three or more of such Guardians, to be sent by Post or delivered to the Appellant or the Party entitled to appeal, and thereupon the said Order and all Proceedings consequent thereon shall become and be null and void to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had not been made, and shall not be in any way given in Evidence, in case any other Order for the same Purposes shall be obtained: Provided always, that in all Cases of such Abandonment the Party so abandoning shall pay to the Appellant or the Party entitled to appeal the Costs which he has incurred by reason of such Order and of all subsequent Proceedings thereon; which Costs the proper Officer of the Court before whom any such Appeal (if it had not been abandoned) might have been brought shall, upon Application, tax and ascertain at any Time, whether the Court be sitting or not, upon Production to him of such Notice of Abandonment, and upon Proof to him that such reasonable Notice of Taxation, together with a Copy of the Bill of Costs, has been given to the Overseers, Guardians, or Clerk of the Peace abandoning such Order, as the Distance between the Parties shall in his Judgment require; and thereupon the Sum allowed for Costs, including the usual Costs of Taxation, which such Officer is hereby empowered to charge and receive, shall be endorsed upon the said Notice of Abandonment, and the said Notice so endorsed shall be filed among the Records of the said Court.

Provisions of this Act as to Expenses to extend to Pauper Asylums under Lunatics sent to any other Act, &c.

CXVIII. The Provisions of this Act for and concerning the Payment of Expenses incurred or to be incurred in relation to Pauper Lunatics shall be applicable with respect to Persons confined as Pauper Lunatics sent to any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House under any other Act authorizing their Reception therein as Pauper Lunatics, and (save as herein otherwise provided concerning any Lunatic who shall appear to have an Estate, Real or Personal, applicable to his Maintenance), with respect to all other Lunatics sent to any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House under any Order of a Justice or Justices made under this Act, or the Acts hereby repealed, or any of them, as if such last-mentioned Lunatics were at the Time of being so sent actually chargeable to the Parish from which they have been or shall be sent.

In Cases of Inquiries and Appeals Guardians and Officers interested to have Access to the Lunatic.

CXIX. In every Case of an Inquiry, Investigation, Dispute, or Appeal as to the Parish in which a Pauper Lunatic is settled, the Guardians, Clerks of the Guardians, Relieving Officers, and Overseers of every Union including any Parish, or of any Parish, which Parish respectively is interested in such Inquiry, Investigation, Dispute, or Appeal, and every Person duly authorized by them respectively, and the Clerk of the Peace of any County interested in

in such Inquiry, Investigation, Dispute, or Appeal, and every Person duly authorized by such Clerk of the Peace, shall at all reasonable Times be allowed free Access, in the Presence of the Medical Attendant, to the Lunatic, to examine him as to the Premises.

Expenses of the Burial, Removal, or Discharge of a Pauper.

CXX. On the Death, Discharge, or Removal of any Pauper from any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House, the necessary Expenses attending the Burial, Discharge, or Removal of such Pauper shall be borne by the Union or Parish (if any) to which such Pauper is chargeable as herein-before provided, or if such Pauper be chargeable to a County as herein-before provided, then by such County, and shall be paid by the Guardians of such Union or Parish, or by the Overseers of such Parish if not in a Union or under a Board of Guardians, or by the Treasurer of such County.

Money ordered to be paid by any Clerk Overseer, Relieving Officer, or Treasurer to be levied (in case of Neglect to pay) by Distress or Action.

CXXI. If any Overseer, or any Treasurer of any County, upon whom any Order of Justices for the Payment of Money under the Provisions of this Act or of any Act hereby repealed is made, shall refuse or neglect for the Space of Twenty Days next after due Notice of such Order to pay the Money so ordered to be paid, the said Money, together with the Expenses of recovering the same, shall be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods of the Overseer or Treasurer so refusing or neglecting, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of any Two Justices hereby authorized to make the Order for Payment of the Money aforesaid, or by an Action at Law, or by any other Proceeding in any Court of competent Jurisdiction, against such Overseer or Treasurer; and if the Guardians upon whom any such Order is made refuse or neglect for such Time as aforesaid to pay the Money so ordered to be paid, the same, together with the Expenses of recovering the same, may be recovered by an Action at Law or by any other Proceeding in any such Court; and in case of any such Action or Proceeding no Objection shall be taken to any Default or Want of Form in any Order of Admission or Maintenance, or in any Certificate or Adjudication under this Act, if such Order or Adjudication shall not have been appealed against, or if appealed against shall have been affirmed.

Miscellaneous.

Medical Men signing false Certificates, and Persons not Medical Men giving Certificates as such, guilty of Misdemeanor.

CXXII. Any Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary who shall sign any Certificate contrary to any of the Provisions herein contained shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds; and any Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary who shall falsely state or certify anything in any Certificate under this Act, and any Person who shall sign any Certificate under this Act, in which he shall be described as a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, not being a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary respectively within the Meaning of this Act, shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor.

Penalty on Officers or Servants ill-treating Lunatics.

CXXIII. If any Superintendent, Officer, Nurse, Attendant, Servant, or other Person employed in any Asylum strike, wound, ill-treat, or wilfully neglect any Lunatic confined therein, he shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and shall be subject to Indictment for every such Offence, or to forfeit for every such Offence, on a summary Conviction thereof before Two Justices, any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds nor less than Two Pounds.

Penalty on Officers, &c. allowing Lunatics to escape or be at large without Permission.

CXXIV. If any Superintendent, Officer, or Servant in any Asylum shall, through wilful Neglect or Connivance, permit any Patient in any Case to quit or escape from such Asylum, or be at large without such Order as in this Act mentioned, (save in the Case of temporary Absence authorized under the Regulations of the Committee of Visitors,) or shall secrete, or abet or connive at the Escape of any such Person, he shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not more than Twenty Pounds nor less than Two Pounds.

Visitors may sue and be sued in the Name of their Clerk, whose Removal shall not abate Action.

CXXV. Every Committee of Visitors may sue and be sued in the Name of their Clerk; and no Action brought or commenced by or against any such Committee of Visitors in the Name of their Clerk shall abate or be discontinued by the Death or Removal of such Clerk, but the Clerk for the Time being to the Visitors shall always be deemed Plaintiff or Defendant in such Action, as the Case may be.

Secretary of Commissioners in Lunacy and Clerks to Visitors may prosecute for Offences,

CXXVI. It shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Commissioners in Lunacy, by their Order, to prosecute or proceed against any Person for any Offence against this Act, and for the Clerk to any Committee of Visitors of any Asylum, by their Order, to prosecute or proceed against any Person for any Offence against this Act committed by any Officer or Servant

Servant belonging thereto or employed therein; and such Secretary or Clerk acting as the Prosecutor or Complainant in any such Prosecution or Proceeding shall be competent to be a Witness therein, in the same Manner as if he were not such Prosecutor or Complainant; and no such Prosecution or Proceeding shall abate or be discontinued by reason of the Death or Removal of such Secretary or Clerk, but his Successor shall come and be in his Place.

Penalties to be recovered in manner provided by 11 & 12 Vict. c. 43.

Application of Penalties.

CXXVII. All Penalties and Forfeitures imposed by this Act shall and may be recovered summarily before Two Justices in manner provided by the Act of the Twelfth Year of Her Majesty, "to facilitate the Performance of the Duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, "within *England* and *Wales*, with respect to summary Convictions and Orders;" and such Penalties and Forfeitures, when recovered upon Proceedings taken by the Secretary of the Commissioners, shall be paid to such Secretary, and be applied and accounted for by him in like Manner as Money received for Licences for the Reception of Lunatics granted by the said Commissioners, and when recovered upon Proceedings taken by the Clerk to any Committee of Visitors of any Asylum shall be paid to the Treasurer of such Asylum, to be by him applied for the Purposes of such Asylum in such Manner as such Committee may think fit and direct, and in all other Cases shall be paid to the Treasurer of the County or Borough for which the Justices by whom the Person convicted of such Offence have acted in such Conviction.

Power of Appeal to the Quarter Sessions.

CXXVIII. Any Person who thinks himself aggrieved by any Order or Determination of any Justices under this Act, other than Orders adjudicating as to the Settlement of any Lunatic Pauper, and providing for his Maintenance, may, within Four Calendar Months after such Order or Determination made or given, appeal to the General or Quarter Sessions, the Person appealing having first given at least Fourteen clear Days Notice in Writing of such Appeal and the Nature and Matter thereof to the Person appealed against, and forthwith after such Notice entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace, with Two sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal, and to abide the Order and Award of the said Court thereupon; and the said General or Quarter Sessions, upon Proof of such Notice and Recognizance having been given and entered into, shall in a summary Way hear and determine such Appeal, or, if they think proper, adjourn the Hearing thereof until the next General or Quarter Sessions, and if they see Cause may reduce any Penalty or Forfeiture to not less than One Fourth of the Amount imposed by this Act, and may order any Money to be returned which shall have been levied in pursuance of such Order or Determination, and may also award such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party injured, or such Costs to either of the Parties, as they shall judge reasonable and proper; and all such Determinations of the said General or Quarter Sessions shall be final, binding, and conclusive upon all Parties to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

Council of every Borough to exercise the same Duties, &c. of erecting Asylums as are conferred upon Justices, &c.

CXXIX. The Council of every Borough shall within Six Months after the passing of this Act, by Writing under their Common Seal, give Notice to One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State of the Intention of such Council to take upon itself the Duties, Powers, and Authorities herein-before imposed or conferred upon or given to the Justices of the Borough, shall from and after the giving of such Notice be subject to and have and exercise all the Duties, Powers, and Authorities of and for erecting and providing Asylums and carrying into execution the Purposes of this Act which by this Act are imposed or conferred upon or given to the Justices of such Borough, or upon any Committee of Visitors to be appointed as directed by this Act, and all Liabilities and Contracts incurred or entered into by such Justices or Committee on behalf of such Borough under this Act, or any Act hereby repealed, shall thereupon become transferred to and obligatory upon such Council to the same Extent as they would have been binding or obligatory on such Justices or Committee, and all Matters and Things which in this Act are required to be done at any General or Quarter Sessions, or at any Meeting of the Justices of such Borough, may and shall thenceforth be done at any Meeting of the Council of such Borough, and all Notices which by this Act are required to be given to or by the Clerk of the Peace shall and may thenceforth be given to or by the Town Clerk of such Borough.

Committee appointed by Council to have

CXXX. It shall and may be lawful for the Council of any such Borough to confer upon any Committee to be appointed by such Council such of the Powers and Authorities which by

same Powers as Committee of Visitors.

by this Act are conferred upon any Committee of Visitors to be appointed thereunder, as to such Council shall seem fit.

Every City, Town, Liberty, &c., not being a Borough within the Meaning of this Act, to be annexed to and rated as Part of the County within which the same is situate.

CXXXI. Every City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District, not being a Borough, or Part of a Borough within the Meaning of this Act, shall for all the Purposes of this Act be annexed to and be treated and rated as Part of the County within which the same is situate, or if such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District be situate partly in one County and partly in another, then to and as Part of such one of the same Counties as such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District may have been annexed to under the said Act of the Eighth and Ninth Years of Her Majesty, hereby repealed, or if not already so annexed, then to and as Part of such one of the same Counties as One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State shall by Writing under his Hand and Seal direct, and shall contribute rateably to the Expenses of the Asylum of the County to which it is or shall be so annexed, whether such Asylum have been provided before or after the passing of this Act, and shall for the Purposes of this Act be within the Jurisdiction of the Justices of such County; and in every Case in which any such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District as aforesaid is or shall be annexed to a County in which an Asylum has been or shall have been already erected or provided, and such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District shall not have contributed as provided by Law towards the Expenses incurred in erecting or providing such Asylum, the present or any future Committee of Visitors of such Asylum shall as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act, or after such Annexation, fix a Sum to be paid by the City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District so annexed towards the Expenses then already incurred in erecting or providing such Asylum, in due Proportion to the Population of such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District, and of the County to which it shall be annexed, according to the last Returns under the Authority of Parliament, and the same shall be paid by every such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District to the Treasurer of such Asylum, and shall be levied and raised by such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District by a Rate to be made therein in the same Manner as any Rate to be made therein for the Purpose of levying or raising any other Monies hereby directed to be levied and raised for the Purposes of this Act; and the Justices for the County to which such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District is or shall be annexed as aforesaid, in General or Quarter Sessions, are hereby authorized and required to make such Rate as aforesaid; and the Sum so paid by such City, Town, Liberty, Parish, Place, or District shall be applied by the Treasurer of the Asylum to whom the same shall have been paid in such Manner as the Committee of Visitors shall direct, according to the Provisions and for carrying into execution the Purposes of this Act.

Interpretation of Terms.

CXXXII. In this Act the Words and Expressions following shall have the several Meanings hereby assigned to them, unless there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction; (that is to say,)

"County" shall mean every County, Riding, and Division of a County, County of a City, County of a Town, and shall include every City, Town, Parish, Place, or District by this Act annexed to a County for the Purposes hereof:

"Borough" shall mean every Borough Town and City Corporate having a Quarter Sessions, Recorder, and Clerk of the Peace:

"Parish" shall mean any Parish, Township, Vill, Tithing, Extra-parochial Place, or Place maintaining its own Poor:

"Union" shall mean a Union of Parishes formed under the Act of the Fifth Year of King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for the Amendment and better Administration of the Laws relating to the Relief of the Poor in* England *and* Wales; or under the Act of the Twenty-second Year of King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor*, or incorporated or united for the Relief or Maintenance of the Poor under any Local Act:

"Lunatic" shall mean and include every Person of unsound Mind, and every Person being an Idiot:

"Pauper" shall mean every Person maintained wholly or in part by or chargeable to any Parish, Union, or County:

"Justice" shall mean Justice of the Peace:

"Officiating Clergyman of the Parish" shall include the Chaplain of the Workhouse of the same Parish, or of the Workhouse of a Union to which such Parish belongs:

"Guardians" shall mean Guardians, Governors, Directors, Managers, or acting Guardians, entitled to act in the ordering of Relief to the Poor from Poor Rates:

"Overseer" shall mean Overseer of the Poor of any Parish, or any Person acting as such:

"Relieving Officer" and "Clerk of the Guardians" shall respectively mean such Relieving Officer and Clerk of the Guardians, and any Persons acting as such respectively:

"Clerk of the Peace" shall mean every Clerk of the Peace, and every Person acting as such, or any Deputy duly appointed:

"Physician," "Surgeon," and "Apothecary" shall respectively mean a Physician, Surgeon, and Apothecary duly authorized or licensed to practise as such by or as a Member of some College, University, Company, or Institution legally established, and qualified to grant such Authority or Licence, in some Part of the United Kingdom, or having been in Practice as an Apothecary in *England* or *Wales* on or before the Fifteenth Day of *August* One thousand eight hundred and fifteen, and being in actual Practice as a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary:

"Treasurer of the Borough" shall mean every Officer who has the Custody of any Monies raised by a Borough Rate:

"Treasurer of the County" shall mean every Officer who has the Custody of any County Rate, or of any Rate of any City, Town, Parish, Place, or District by this Act annexed to a County for the Purposes hereof:

"County Rate" shall mean a County Rate and any Funds assessed upon or raised in or belonging to any County in the Nature of County Rates, and applicable to the Purposes to which County Rates are applicable:

"Borough Rate" shall mean a Borough Fund or Rate and any Fund assessed upon or raised in or belonging to any Borough in the Nature of Borough Rates, and applicable to the Purposes to which Borough Rates are applicable:

"Asylum" shall mean any Asylum, House, Building, or Place already erected or provided under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of King *George* the Third, Chapter Ninety-six, or an Act of the Ninth Year of King *George* the Fourth, Chapter Forty, or the said Acts hereby repealed, or any of them, or subject to the Provisions of the said Acts or any of them, or to be erected or provided under the Provisions of this Act. 48 G. 3. c. 96. 9 G. 4. c. 40.

CXXXIII. Nothing in this Act shall affect the Provisions of any of the following Acts; (that is to say,) an Act of the Session holden in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of King *George* the Third, Chapter Ninety-four; an Act of the Session holden in the First and Second Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Fourteen; and an Act of the Session holden in the Third and Fourth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Fifty-four; or any other Provisions relating to Criminal Lunatics. Not to affect Provisions of 39 & 40 G. 3. c. 94., 1 & 2 Vict. c. 14., or 3 & 4 Vict. c. 54. as to Criminal Lunatics.

CXXXIV. This Act shall commence and come into operation on the First Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three. Commencement of Act.

CXXXV. This Act shall extend only to *England* and *Wales*. Extent of Act.

CXXXVI. This Act may be cited as "The Lunatic Asylums Act, 1853." Short Title.

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SCHEDULES referred to by the foregoing Act.

SCHEDULE (A.)

FORM of AGREEMENT for uniting under the foregoing Act for the Purpose of erecting or providing an Asylum for the Reception of Lunatics.

IT is agreed this Day of by and between the Committees of Justices of the Peace for the County [*or* Counties] and the Borough [*or* Boroughs] of and the Committee of the Subscribers of the Lunatic Hospital of [*as the Case may be*], severally appointed to treat for the uniting of the said County and Borough [*or* Counties and Boroughs] [and Lunatic Hospital, *as the Case may be*], for the Purposes of an Act passed in the Year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act" [*here insert the Title of this Act*], that the said County [*or* Counties] and Borough [*or* Boroughs, and the said Lunatic Hospital, *as the Case may be*], shall henceforth be united for the Purposes of the said Act; and that an Asylum for the Reception of Lunatics, with all necessary Buildings, Courts, Yards, and Outlets, shall be immediately provided and properly fitted up and accommodated for the Purposes mentioned in the said Act; and that the necessary Expenses attending the providing, building, fitting up, Repairs, and Maintenance of the said Asylum shall be defrayed by the said County [*or* Counties] and Borough [*or* Boroughs and Lunatic Hospital], so united, in the following Proportions; (that is to say,)

The County of Five Ninths of the said Expenses.
The Borough of Two Ninths of the same.
The Lunatic Hospital of Two Ninths of the same [*as the Case may be*].

And it is further agreed, that the Committee of Visitors to superintend the building, Erection, and Management of the said Asylum shall be appointed in the following Proportions; the Justices of the Peace for the said County of shall appoint* , the Justices of the Peace for the Borough of shall appoint* , and the Subscribers to the said Lunatic Hospital of shall appoint* , and the Proportions in which the said Committee of Visitors are to be appointed as aforesaid may be from Time to Time varied, with the Consent in Writing under the Hands of the greater Number of Visitors of the said County and Borough, [*or* each of the said Counties and Boroughs], and of the greater Number of the Visitors appointed by the said Body of Subscribers, and with the Consent of the Commissioners in Lunacy: And hereunto we, the undersigned, being the major Part of each of the Committees of Justices of the Peace for the said County and Borough [*or* Counties and Boroughs] respectively, and the major Part of the Committee of Subscribers to the said Lunatic Hospital, do, on behalf of the said County and Borough [*or* Counties and Boroughs] and Lunatic Hospital, set our Hands and Seals, this Day of in the Year .

SCHEDULE (B.)

FORM of MORTGAGE and CHARGE upon the County or Borough Rates for securing the Money borrowed.

WE, the Chairman of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County of holden at the Day of and Two other of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said

* *Insert in these Blanks either the Number or the Proportion of Visitors; and where the Number of the Committee of Visitors is not fixed in the Agreement, but only the Proportions, a Provision shall be made by the Agreement for fixing from Time to Time the Number of such Committee.*

County, assembled in the said Court, [*or* we, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of *as the Case shall be*,] in pursuance of the Powers to us given by an Act passed in the Year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act" [*here insert the Title of this Act*], do hereby mortgage and charge all the Rates and Funds to be raised and paid within the said County [*or* Borough, *as the Case may be*], under the Description of County Rates [*or* Borough Fund or Rates,] with the Payment of the Sum of which of hath advanced and paid towards defraying the Expenses of purchasing Lands, and for building and repairing, &c. [*as the Case shall be*] a Lunatic Asylum for the said County [*or* Borough, *or* the united Counties and Boroughs of, &c., *as the Case may be*], and we do hereby grant and confirm the same Rates and Funds unto the said his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, for securing the Repayment of the said Sum of and Interest for the same after the Rate of per Centum per Annum, and do order the Treasurer for such County [*or* Borough, &c., *as the Case shall be*,] to pay the Interest of the said Sum of half-yearly, as the same shall become due, until the Principal shall be discharged, at the Times and in the Manner agreed upon between the said and the said Justices [*or* the said Mayor and Council, *as the Case may be*,] pursuant to the Directions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE (C.) No. 1.

NAMES of all Pauper Lunatics in the Asylum at for the County [*or* Borough, &c., *as the Case may be*,] of on the Day of 18 .

Names of those chargeable to a Parish.	Date of Admission.	Names of those chargeable to County.	Date of Admission.	Names of Criminals.

This is a correct Return.

(Signed)

Dated Clerk of the Asylum.

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SCHEDULE (C.) No. 2.

NAMES of all private Lunatics in the Asylum at for the County [*or* Borough, *&c., as the Case may be,*] of on the Day of 18 .

Names.	Date of Admission.

This is a correct List.

Dated (Signed) Clerk of the Asylum.

SCHEDULE (D.)

FORM of ANNUAL RETURN.

A TRUE LIST of all LUNATICS, IDIOTS, and other Persons of unsound Mind, chargeable to the Common Fund, or to the Parishes comprised within [such Part of] the Union [as is situate] [*or* to the Parish of] in the County of specifying the Names, Sex, and Age of each, and whether dangerous or otherwise, and for what Length of Time they have been supposed to be of unsound Mind, and where detained, or how otherwise disposed of.*

Name.	Age.	Sex.	Parish to which chargeable.	Where maintained.					Weekly Cost of Maintenance and Clothing.	Whether Lunatic or Idiot.	Dangerous to himself or others.	Of dirty Habits.	For what Length of Time supposed to be of unsound Mind.	Observations.
				In a County or Borough Asylum, and what Asylum, and when sent thither.	In a registered Hospital or licensed House, and where, and when sent thither.	In the Workhouse.	In Lodgings, or boarded out, and where, and with whom, by Name.	Residing with Relatives, and where, and with whom, by Name.						

Signed by me this Day of 18 .

A.B.

Clerk to the Board of Guardians of the said Union, [*or* Overseer of the said Parish].

* *Lunatics chargeable to the Common Fund, who are in the Workhouse, should be entered as in the County where the Workhouse is situate; and those who are not in the Workhouse, as in the County in which they reside.*

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SCHEDULE (E.)

County of
Union [*or* Parish] of
District of

QUARTERLY LIST of LUNATIC PAUPERS within the District of the Union of [*or* the Parish of] in the County *or* Borough of not in any Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House.

NAME.	Sex.	Age.	Form of mental Disorder.	Duration of present Attack of Insanity, and, if idiotic, whether or not from Birth.	Where and with whom resident.	Date of Visit.	In what Condition, and if ever restrained, why, by what Means, and how often.

I declare that I have personally examined the several Persons whose Names are specified in this List, on the Days set opposite to their Names, and that they are all [*or* all except *A.B.*, *C.D.*, and *E.F.*,] properly taken care of, and may properly remain out of an Asylum, and that these are the only Pauper Lunatics, to the best of my Knowledge, in the District of the Union [*or* in the Parish] of who are not in an Asylum, registered Hospital, or duly licensed House.

(Signed) *A.B.*
Medical Officer of the District of the Union [*or* Parish] of .

Dated the Day of One thousand eight hundred and .

SCHEDULE (F.) No. 1.

ORDER for the RECEPTION of a PAUPER PATIENT.

I *C.D.* [*in the Case of a single Justice of the Peace, or in the Case of Two Justices, or of a Clergyman and Relieving Officer, &c.*, We, *C.D.* and *E.F.*], the undersigned, having called to my [*or* our] Assistance a Physician, [*or* Surgeon, *or* Apothecary, *as the Case may be*,] and having personally examined *A.B.*, a Pauper, [*omit the Words* "a Pauper" *when the Lunatic is not a Pauper*,] and being satisfied that the said *A.B.* is a Lunatic [*or* an Idiot, *or* a Person of unsound Mind,] [*add, where the Lunatic is sent as being wandering at large, the Words* "wandering at large," *and in the Case of a Lunatic sent by virtue of the Authority given to Two Justices, add* "not under proper Care and Control," *or* "and is cruelly treated [*or* neglected] by the Person having the Care or Charge of him," *as may appear to the Justices*

to be the Case], and a proper Person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, hereby direct you to receive the said *A.B.* as a Patient into your Asylum [*or* Hospital, *or* House]. Subjoined is a Statement respecting the said *A.B.*

(Signed) *C.D.*
* A Justice of the Peace for the City *or* Borough of [*or* an *or* the Officiating Clergyman of the Parish of].
(Signed) *E.F.*
The Relieving Officer of the Union *or* Parish of [*or* an Overseer of the Parish of].

* To be signed by Two Justices, where required by the foregoing Act.

Dated the Day of One thousand eight hundred .

To Superintendent of the Asylum for the
County of *or* the Lunatic Hospital of
or Proprietor of the licensed
House of [*describing the Asylum, Hospital, or House*].

NOTE.—*Where the Order directs the Lunatic to be received into any Asylum other than an Asylum of the County or Borough in which the Parish or Place from which the Lunatic is sent is situate, or into a registered Hospital or licensed House, it should state that the Justice or Justices or other Persons making the Order is or are satisfied that there is no Asylum of such County or Borough, or that the Asylum or Asylums thereof is or are full; or (as the Case may require) the special Circumstances by reason whereof the Lunatic cannot conveniently be taken to an Asylum for such first-mentioned County or Borough.*

STATEMENT.

[*If any Particulars in this Statement be not known, the Fact to be so stated.*]

Name of Patient, and Christian Name at Length.
Sex and Age.
Married, single, or widowed.
Condition of Life, and previous Occupation (if any).
The Religious Persuasion, as far as known.
Previous Place of Abode.
Whether First Attack.
Age (if known) on First Attack.
When and where previously under Care and Treatment.
Duration of existing Attack.
Supposed Cause.
Whether subject to Epilepsy.
Whether suicidal.
Whether dangerous to others.
Parish or Union to which the Lunatic is chargeable (if a Pauper or destitute Lunatic).
Name and Christian Name and Place of Abode of the nearest known Relative of the Patient, and Degree of Relationship (if known).

I certify that to the best of my Knowledge the above Particulars are correctly stated.

(Signed)
[*In the Case of a Pauper, to be signed by the Relieving Officer or Overseer.*]

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SCHEDULE (F.) No. 2.

ORDER for the RECEPTION of a PRIVATE PATIENT.

I, the undersigned, hereby request you to receive *A.B.*, a Lunatic, [*or* an Idiot, *or* a Person of unsound Mind,] as a Patient into your Asylum. Subjoined is a Statement respecting the said *A.B.*

(Signed) Name.
Occupation (if any).
Place of Abode.
Degree of Relationship (if any), or other Circumstance of Connexion with the Patient.

Dated this Day of One thousand eight hundred and .

To Superintendent of the Asylum
for the County [*or* Borough] of
[*describing the Asylum*].

STATEMENT.

[*If any of the Particulars in this Statement be not known, the Fact to be so stated.*]

Name of Patient, with Christian Name at Length.
Sex and Age.
Married, single, or widowed.
Condition of Life, and previous Occupation (if any).
The Religious Persuasion, as far as known.
Previous Place of Abode.
Whether First Attack.
Age (if known) on First Attack.
When and where previously under Care and Treatment.
Duration of existing Attack.
Supposed Cause.
Whether subject to Epilepsy.
Whether suicidal.
Whether dangerous to others.
Whether found lunatic by Inquisition, and Date of Commission or Order for Inquisition.
Special Circumstances (if any) preventing the Patient being examined, before Admission, separately by Two Medical Practitioners.

(Signed) Name.

Where the Person signing the Statement is not the Person who signs the Order, the following Particulars concerning the Person signing the Statement are to be added; viz.

Occupation (*if any*).
Place of Abode.
Degree of Relationship (*if any*), or other Circumstances of Connexion with the Patient.

SCHEDULE (F.) No. 3.

FORM of MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

I, the undersigned, [*here set forth the Qualification entitling the Person certifying to practise as a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, ex. gra.*, "being a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians in London,"] and being in actual Practice as a [Physician, Surgeon, *or* Apothecary, *as the Case may be*,] hereby certify, That I, on the Day of at [*here insert the Street and Number of the House* (*if any*) *or other like Particulars,*

ticulars,] in the County of , [*in any Case where more than One Medical Certificate is required by this Act, here insert* separately from any other Medical Practitioner,] personally examined *A.B.* of [*insert Residence and Profession or Occupation, if any,*] and that the said *A.B.* is a [Lunatic, *or* an Idiot, *or* a Person of unsound Mind,] and a proper Person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, and that I have formed this Opinion upon the following Grounds; viz.

1. Facts indicating Insanity observed by myself [*here state the Facts*].
2. Other Facts (*if any*) indicating Insanity communicated to me by others [*here state the Information, and from whom*].

(Signed)
Place of Abode.

Dated this Day of One thousand eight hundred and .

SCHEDULE (F.) No. 4.

NOTICE OF ADMISSION.

I HEREBY give you Notice, That *A.B.* was admitted into this Asylum as a private [*or* Pauper] Patient on the Day of and I hereby transmit a Copy of the Order and Statement and Medical Certificates [*or* Certificate] on which he was received.

[*If a private Patient be received upon One Certificate only, the special Circumstances which have prevented the Patient from being examined by Two Medical Practitioners to be here stated, as in the Statement accompanying the Order for Admission.*]

Subjoined is a Statement with respect to the mental and bodily Condition of the above-named Patient.

(Signed)
Clerk of Asylum.

Dated the Day of One thousand eight hundred and .

STATEMENT.

I have this Day [*some Day not less than Two clear Days after the Admission of the Patient*] seen and examined the Patient mentioned in the above Notice, and hereby certify that with respect to mental State he [*or* she] , and that with respect to bodily Health and Condition he [*or* she] .

(Signed)
Medical Officer of Asylum.

Dated the Day of One thousand eight hundred and .

SCHEDULE (F.) No. 5.

FORM of NOTICE of DISCHARGE, REMOVAL, or DEATH.

I HEREBY give you Notice, That Pauper [*or* a private] Patient admitted into this Asylum on the Day of was discharged therefrom recovered [*or* relieved, *or* not improved,] *or* was removed to [*mentioning the Asylum, &c.*] relieved [*or* not improved], by the Authority of , [*or* died therein in the Presence of ,] on the Day of .

(Signed)
Clerk of the Asylum.

Dated the Day of One thousand eight hundred and .

In case of Death, add, "I certify that the apparent Cause of Death of the said [as ascertained by post mortem Examination (*if so*),] was"

(Signed)
Medical Officer of the Asylum.

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SCHEDULE (G.) No. 1.

REGISTRY OF ADMISSIONS.

REGISTER OF PATIENTS.*

Date of last previous Admission, if any.	No. in Order of Admission.	Date of Admission.	Christian and Surname at Length.	Sex. M.	Sex. F.	Age.	Condition as to Marriage. Married.	Condition as to Marriage. Single.	Condition as to Marriage. Widowed.	Condition of Life, and previous Occupation.	Previous Place of Abode.	County, Union, or Parish to which chargeable.	By whose Authority sent.	Dates of Medical Certificates, and by whom signed.	Form of mental Disorder.	Supposed Cause of Insanity.	Bodily Condition, and Name of Disease, if any.	Epileptics.	Congenital Idiots.	Duration of existing Attacks. Years.	Duration of existing Attacks. Months.	Duration of existing Attacks. Weeks.	Number of previous Attacks.	Age on first Attack.	Date of Discharge, Removal, or Death.	Discharged or removed. Recovered.	Discharged or removed. Relieved.	Discharged or removed. Not improved.	Died.	Observations.
	1	1846: Jan. 3	William Johnson	1	–	23	–	1	–	Carpenter	- -	- -	- -	- -	Melancholia	- -	- -	–	–	–	4	–	2	17	1846: Sept. 1	1				
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	4	1848: June 9	William Johnson	1	–	25	–	1	–	- - -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	–	–	7	–	–	3	–	1848: Dec. 2	1				
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	6																													
	7	1852: May 6	William Johnson	1	–	29	1	–	–	- - -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	–	–	3	–	–	4	–	1853: June 8					
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*In the Case of an Asylum receiving both private and Pauper Patients, a separate Register in the above Form to be kept for each Class.

SCHEDULE (G.) No. 2.

REGISTER of DISCHARGES, REMOVALS, and DEATHS.*

Date of Death, Discharge, or Removal.	Date of last Admission.	No. in Register of Patients.	Christian and Surname at Length.	Sex.		Discharged.						Removal, and to what Asylum, registered Hospital, or licensed House.				Died.		Assigned Cause of Death.	Age at Death.		Observations.
						Recovered.		Relieved.		Not improved.		Relieved.		Not improved.							
				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	
1846: Sept. 1 -	1846: Jan. 3 -	1	William Johnson	1	—	1															
1848: Dec. 2 -	1848: June 9 -	4	William Johnson	1	—	1															
1853: June 8 -	1852: May 6 -	7	William Johnson	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	Phthisis -	27		

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SCHEDULE (G.) No. 3.

FORM OF MEDICAL JOURNAL.*

Date.	Number of Patients.		Patients who are, or since the last Entry have been, under Restraint or in Seclusion, when and for what Period, and Reasons, and, in case of Restraint, by what Means.		Patients under Medical Treatment, and for what, if any, bodily Disorder.		Deaths, Injuries, and Violence to Patients since the last Entry.
	M.	F.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	

* In the Case of an Asylum receiving both Pauper and private Patients, a separate Journal to be kept in the above Form for each Class.

CAP. XCVIII.

An Act for the further Relief of the Suitors of the High Court of Chancery.

[20th *August* 1853.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient to make further Provision for the Relief of the Suitors of the High Court of Chancery:' 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:

Funds, the Dividends of which have not been received for Fifteen Years, may be transferred to the Suitors Fee Fund Account.

I. It shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor, at such Time within Nine Calendar Months after the passing of this Act as shall appear to him to be most convenient, to cause an Investigation to be made into the several Accounts standing in the Name of the said Accountant General to the Credit of any Cause or Matter the Dividends of which shall not have been dealt with for Fifteen Years or upwards prior to such Time, and if and when he shall be of opinion that it is not probable that any Claim will be made for the same, to make Orders for the Appropriation of the future Dividends to accrue due on such Stock, or such Part of such Dividends as he shall be of opinion may safely and properly be so appropriated, as the same shall accrue, for the Benefit of the Suitors of the said Court, and for the carrying the same over to the Credit of an Account to be entitled "The Suitors Unclaimed Dividend Account," and for the carrying from Time to Time such Part of the Cash standing to the last-mentioned Account as he may think fit over to the Credit of the Account in the Books of the said Accountant