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CAP. LXVII.

An Act to amend an Act of the Fifth Year of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, for consolidating and amending the Laws relative to the Arbitration of Disputes between Masters and Workmen. [15th *July* 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relative to the Arbitration of Disputes between Masters and Workmen:* And whereas it is provided by the said Act that all Complaints under the same by any Workman for any Cause, except as to bad Materials, shall be made within Six Days after such Cause of Complaint shall arise; but the said Period of Six Days has been found too short for the Purpose thereby intended: 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, That the same be extended to Fourteen Days. 5 G. 4. c. 96. Period for making Complaints extended.

II. And whereas it is enacted by the said Act, that various Differences under the same shall be subject as therein mentioned to the Adjudication of any Justice of the Peace or Magistrate of any County, Riding, Division, Stewartry, Barony, City, Burgh, Town, or Place within which the Parties reside: And whereas many Cases Justices having Jurisdiction where the Party complained against resides to

have Jurisdiction in the Matters of the said Act.

Cases have arisen where no Justice of the Peace or Magistrate could be found who has Jurisdiction where both of the Parties differing as aforesaid reside; in consequence whereof it has been doubted whether the above beneficial Enactment can in such Cases take effect; and for the Remedy thereof it is necessary that the Jurisdiction and Powers which are by the said Act conferred on the Justices or Magistrates of the District where both Parties reside shall in future be exercised by the Justices or Magistrates of the District where the Party complained against resides; be it enacted, That in the Place of the Justices or Magistrates of the District where both Parties reside the Justices or Magistrates of the District where the Parties complained against reside shall have the said Jurisdiction and Powers; and whatever Acts and Duties are by the said Act required to be done by the first-mentioned Justices or Magistrates, or any One of them, shall be done by the last-mentioned Justices or Magistrates, or by any One of them; and the said Act shall in all respects be construed as if the Words "where the Party complained against resides" had been originally inserted in the Third Section of the said Act instead of the Words "within which the Parties reside."

Interpretation of "Justice."

III. And be it further enacted, That wherever the Expression "Justice of the Peace" occurs in the said Act it shall be construed to mean "Magistrate".

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