not previously have obtained letters testimonial of his qualification under the seal of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland:

And whereas it is desirable that all legally qualified medical practitioners, with qualifications in medicine and surgery registered under "The Medical Act," should be capable of being elected surgeons to county infirmaries or hospitals in Ireland, anything in the said Act or any other Acts to the contrary notwithstanding: 21 & 22 Vict. c. 90.

And whereas it is desirable that persons who have obtained the degree of Bachelor in Surgery of any university in Great Britain and Ireland, legally authorised to confer such degree, should be empowered to register the same as a qualification under "The Medical Act:"

And whereas the said objects cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

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:

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as The Medical Practitioners Act, 1876. Short title.

2. Notwithstanding anything contained in the said Act of the thirty-sixth year of the reign of King George the Third, chapter nine (Ireland), or any other Act of Parliament, all legally qualified medical practitioners, with qualifications in medicine and surgery registered under "The Medical Act," shall be capable of being elected surgeons to county infirmaries or hospitals in Ireland, and when so elected shall for all purposes be deemed to be duly appointed, and be entitled to all the emoluments and advantages, and liable to discharge all the duties of the said offices. Legally qualified medical practitioners to be capable of election as surgeons to county infirmaries, &c. in Ireland.

3. All persons who have obtained from any university of the United Kingdom legally authorised to confer the same the degree of Bachelor in Surgery shall be permitted and are hereby empowered to register the same as a qualification under "The Medical Act," anything in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding. Qualifications of Bachelor in Surgery may be registered under the Medical Act.

CHAPTER 41.

An Act to remove Restrictions on the granting of Qualifications for Registration under the Medical Act on the ground of Sex. [11th August 1876.]

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 the present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same:

1. The powers of every body entitled under the Medical Act to grant qualifications for registration shall extend to the granting of any qualification for registration granted by such body to all persons without distinction of sex: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall render compulsory the exercise of such powers, and that no person who but for this Act would not have been entitled to be registered shall, by reason of such registration, be entitled to take any part in the government, management, or proceedings of the universities or corporations mentioned in the said Medical Act. Power to grant qualification extended.

2. This Act shall be taken to be incorporated with the Medical Act, as amended by the Act of the twenty-second year of Her Majesty, chapter twenty-one, and the Medical Act as so amended and any other Act amending the Medical Act shall be construed and have effect accordingly. Act incorporated with Medical Act as amended by 22 Vict. c. 21.