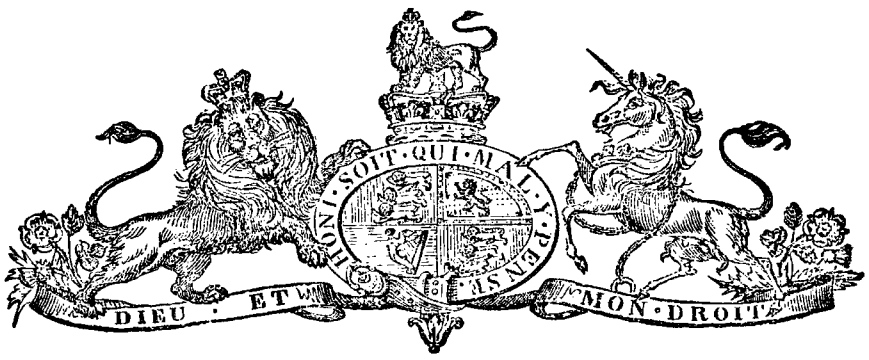


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CAP. XCIII.

An Act to legalize certain Marriages solemnized at *Morro Velho* in *Brazil*. [12th *August* 1867.]

WHEREAS the *Saint John Del Rey* Mining Company have erected a Chapel at their Establishment at *Morro Velho* in the Empire of *Brazil*, and have maintained there a Chaplain licensed by the Lord Bishop of *London*:

And whereas the said Chaplain has solemnized in the said Chapel according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland* divers Marriages between Persons, One or both of whom was or were *British* Subjects:

And whereas Doubts are entertained as to the Validity of such Marriages, and it is expedient to remove such Doubts:

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:

Confirmation of Marriages prior to 1st January 1868.

1. All Marriages (both or One of the Parties to such Marriages being Subjects or Subject of this Realm) which prior to the First of *January* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight may have been solemnized in manner aforesaid at the said Chapel at *Morro Velho* shall be as valid in Law as if the same had been solemnized

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within Her Majesty's Dominions with a due Observance of all Forms required by Law.

Register to be sent to Consul at Rio Janeiro.

2. The Chaplain of the Chapel shall, immediately after the First of *January* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, send to Her Majesty's Consul at *Rio Janeiro* the Register Book kept at the said Chapel, with a Certificate under his Hand and Seal that all Marriages which have been celebrated in the said Chapel as aforesaid have been duly entered therein, and also a Copy of the Register Book certified in like Manner to be a true Copy. Such Copy shall be sent by the Consul to the Registrar General in *England*, and the Original shall be kept by the Consul with the Marriage Register Books of his Consulate; and such Original and Copy Register Book shall be deemed to be Marriage Register Books of the *British* Consulate of *Rio Janeiro*, within the Meaning of the Acts in that Behalf made.

Short Title.

3. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The *Morro Velho* Marriage Act, 1867."

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