CAP. LXXV.

An Act to amend and explain the Act of the Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth Years of *Victoria*, Chapter Fifty-eight, relating to Parochial Buildings in *Scotland*. [6th *August* 1866.]

25 & 26 Vict. c. 58.

'WHEREAS by the Act Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth *Victoria*, Chapter Fifty-eight, intituled *An Act to make further Provision with respect to the raising of Money for erecting and improving Parochial Buildings in* Scotland, (in this Act hereafter referred to as the recited Act,) it is enacted, by Section First, "that the Expression 'Parochial "Buildings,' in the said Act, shall mean and include Church, Manse, Churchyard, Walls, "Schoolhouse, and Schoolmaster's House respectively;" and it is further enacted by Section Second, "that the Heritors of any Parish in *Scotland* in which any new or additional Parochial Building is to be erected, or any existing Parochial Building is to be improved or to be enlarged, may, at any Meeting of such Heritors, resolve that the "Money required to defray the Expense of Erection, Improvement, or Enlargement "of such Parochial Building shall be raised by annual Assessments extending over a "Period of Ten Years;" and on the Adoption of such Resolution, such annual Assessments for the Period specified therein shall be imposed, levied, and recovered from the Heritors of such Parish, and with the Liabilities and Rights of Relief as therein provided; and by the Third Section it is enacted, that on the Adoption of such Resolution it shall be lawful for the Heritors of such Parish to borrow the Money required to defray the Expense of the Erection, Improvement, or Enlargement of such Parochial Buildings, and in Security of the Repayment of the Money so borrowed, and the Interest thereof, to charge and assign the said annual Assessments by a Bond and Assignation, to be signed in manner therein mentioned:

'And whereas Doubts have arisen as to whether the Powers to borrow Money and grant Bond therefor under said recited Act apply to the Purchase or Acquisition of Parochial Buildings as defined in the Act, and it is expedient that such Doubts should be removed, and the recited Act amended as herein-after provided:'

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 the present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows: *viz.*,

Interpretation of the Expressions "Erection, Improvement, and Enlargement" in recited Act.

1. The Expressions "Erection, Improvement, and Enlargement," contained in the recited Act, shall extend and apply to the Purchase or Acquisition of Parochial Buildings for the Purposes of the said Act, and the Improvement and Enlargement thereof, and the Power to borrow Money required to defray the Expense of the Erection, Improvement, or Enlargement of such Parochial Buildings, and to grant Bond therefor, and the Interest thereof, repayable in Ten Years; and the Power to charge and assign the said annual Assessments, as contained in the recited Act, shall extend to and include the Price of Parochial Buildings already erected, purchased, or to be purchased for the Purposes of the Act, and the Ground attached thereto, and the Expense of improving and enlarging the same, including the Purchase of any Feu or Ground Annual payable for such Ground or Buildings; and the Creditors in or Persons having Right to such Bond and Assignation shall have the same Rights and Remedies for Recovery of the Sums, Principal and Interest, due under such Bond and Assignation, as are conferred by the said recited Act.

This and recited Act incorporated.

2. This Act shall be deemed to be incorporated with the recited Act, and the recited Act shall be read and have Effect accordingly.