CAP. LXV.

An Act for amending the Acts for the better Regulation of Divisions in the several Counties of *England* and *Wales*. [13th *August* 1859.]

9 G. 4. c. 43. 10 G. 4. c. 46. 6 & 7 W. 4. c. 12.

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Ninth Year of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for the better Regulation of Divisions in the several Counties of* England *and* Wales, the Court of Quarter Sessions is empowered, in certain Cases, to make Orders for altering existing Divisions and for constituting new Divisions for holding Petty and Special Sessions: And whereas an Act for more effectually executing the said recited Act was passed in the Tenth Year of His said late Majesty, and another Act for amending the said recited Act was passed in the Sixth Year of His late Majesty *William* the Fourth: And whereas Doubts have arisen whether under the said first herein-recited Act the Justices therein mentioned are empowered to divide any Parish, Tything, Township, or Place for the Purpose of including any Part or Parts thereof respectively in any Division constituted under the said Acts or any or either of them:' 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:

Justices may divide Parishes, &c., for constituting Divisions of Counties.

I. It shall be lawful for the said Justices, if they shall think fit, to divide any Parish, Tything, Township, or Place for the Purpose of altering or constituting such Divisions, and after any Order of the said Justices for altering or constituting any Division under the said Acts shall have taken effect the Part or Parts of any Parish, Tything, Township, or Place included in any Division altered or constituted by such Order shall be deemed and taken to be Part of such Division for all the Purposes of the said Acts, but not further or otherwise.

Court to make Order in respect of the Appointments and Duties of Officers.

II. Whensoever the Court of Quarter Sessions shall, under the Provisions herein or in the said recited Acts contained, make an Order for dividing any Parish, Tything, Township, or Place for the Purpose of altering or constituting such Divisions as aforesaid, and it shall appear to the Court that any Inconvenience may arise therefrom in or respecting the Appointment or Duties of any Bailiffs, Constables, or Tythingmen, Surveyors, Overseers of the Poor, or other Officers or Persons, the Court of Quarter Sessions shall or may, at the same or at any future Sessions, make such Order in respect of the said Appointments and Duties as the Court shall deem necessary or expedient.

CAP. LXVI.

An Act for regulating Measures used in Sales of Gas. [13th *August* 1859.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient that the Measurement used in Sales of Gas for Lighting, Heating, and other Purposes, should be hereafter regulated by One uniform Standard, and that all Meters should be stamped 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 this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Interpretation of Words "Meter" and "Person."

I. In construing this Act the Word "Meter" shall mean Gas Meter, and shall include every Kind of Machine used for measuring Gas; and the Word "Person" shall include Corporations.

Fixing Unit of Measure.

II. After the passing of this Act, the only legal Standard or Unit of Measure for the Sale of Gas by Meter shall be the Cubic Foot containing 62·321 Pounds Avoirdupois Weight of distilled or Rain Water weighed in Air at the Temperature of Sixty-two Degrees of Fahrenheit's Thermometer, the Barometer being at Thirty Inches, except as relates to Contracts