CAP. CXV.

An Act to prohibit the placing of poisoned Flesh and poisonous Matters in Plantations, Fields, and open Places, and to extend "The Poisoned Grain Prohibition Act, 1863." [29th *July* 1864.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient to extend the Provisions of an Act passed in the Session of 'Parliament held in the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh Years of the Reign of Her 'present Majesty, intituled *An Act to prohibit the Sale and Use of Poisoned Grain or Seed:*' 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:

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The Poisoned Flesh Prohibition Act, 1864."

Penalty for placing poisoned Flesh in Fields, &c.

2. Every Person who shall knowingly and wilfully set, lay, put, or place, or cause to be set, laid, put, or placed, in or upon any Land any Flesh or Meat which has been mixed with or steeped in or impregnated with Poison or any poisonous Ingredient so as to render such Flesh or Meat poisonous and calculated to destroy Life, shall, upon a summary Conviction thereof, forfeit any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds, to be recovered in the Manner provided by The Poisoned Grain Prohibition Act, 1863: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall prevent Owners or Occupiers of Land in *Ireland* from laying or causing to be laid any poisonous Matter as herein-before described, after a Notice has been posted in a conspicuous Place, and Notice in Writing has been given to the nearest Constabulary Station.

Not to apply to Occupier placing poisoned Preparations for Destruction of Vermin.

3. Nothing in this Act shall make it unlawful for the Occupier of any Dwelling House or other Building, or the Owner of any Rick or Stack of Wheat, Barley, Oats, Beans, Peas, Tares, Seeds, or of any cultivated Vegetable Produce, to put or place or cause to be put or placed in any such Dwelling House or other Building, or in any enclosed Garden attached to such Dwelling House, or in the Drains connected with any such Dwelling House, provided that such Drains are so protected with Gratings or otherwise as to prevent any Dog from entering the same, or within such Rick or Stack, any Poison or poisonous Ingredient or Preparation for the Destruction of Rats, Mice, or other small Vermin.

As to Application of Act.

4. This Act shall not apply to any Grain, Seed, or Meal within the Provisions of The Poisoned Grain Prohibition Act, 1863, and the Provisions of the Fifth Section of the said Poisoned Grain Prohibition Act, 1863, shall apply to any Proceedings instituted under this Act, and shall come into operation on the First *October* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

CAP. CXVI.

An Act to make Provision for distributing the Charge of Relief of certain Classes of poor Persons over the whole of the Metropolis. [29th *July* 1864.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient that Provision should be made for distributing the Charge 'of the Relief of certain poor Persons in the Metropolis during the ensuing Winter 'otherwise than is now lawful:' 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,

After Sept. 29th the Guardians of Parishes or Unions in the

1. That after the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* next the Guardians of every Union or Parish situated wholly or partly within the District to which the Metropolis Local Management Act applies may, subject to the Orders and Regulations of the Poor Law Board, make

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