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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

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CAP. LXXIV.

An Act to extend the Powers of Poor Law Inspectors and Medical Inspectors in *Ireland*.

[31st *July* 1868.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Tenth and Eleventh Years of the Reign of Her Majesty, Chapter Ninety, the Poor Law Commissioners in *Ireland* are empowered from Time to Time, subject to the Approval of the Lord Lieutenant, to appoint so many fit Persons as shall be allowed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to be Inspectors to assist in the Execution of the Acts for the Relief of the Poor in *Ireland*: 10 & 11 Vict. c. 90.

And whereas by an Act passed in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of the Reign of Her Majesty, Chapter Sixty-eight, the said Poor Law Commissioners are empowered from Time to Time to appoint so many fit Persons as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall sanction, being practising Physicians or Surgeons of not less than Seven Years standing, to be Inspectors to assist in carrying out the Provisions of the last-mentioned Act: 14 & 15 Vict. c. 68.

And whereas by the "Sanitary Act, 1866," it is enacted that the Provisions of the said Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Sixty-eight, with respect to the Duties 29 & 30 Vict. c. 90.

and Appointment of Medical Inspectors, shall be incorporated therewith, and that the Prevention of Disease and Inquiry into Public Health under the said Sanitary Act, 1866, shall be deemed to be One of the Purposes for which such Inspectors have been or may be appointed, in like Manner as if its Provisions had been referred to in the said Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her Majesty:

And whereas it is expedient to amend the Law in this Behalf:

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:

Inspectors under 10 & 11 Vict. c. 90. deemed to be Inspectors under 14 & 15 Vict. c. 68., and e converso.

1. Every Inspector appointed or hereafter to be appointed under the Provisions of the said Act Tenth and Eleventh *Victoria*, Chapter Ninety, to assist in the Execution of the Acts for the Relief of the Poor in *Ireland*, shall be deemed to be an Inspector under the Provisions of the said Fourteenth and Fifteenth *Victoria*, Chapter Sixty-eight, although he may not have the Qualification required by the said last-mentioned Act, and shall be empowered to assist in carrying out the Provisions of the said Act as fully and effectually as if he had the Qualification required and had been appointed under the said Act; and in like Manner every Inspector appointed or to be hereafter appointed under the Provisions of the said Act Fourteenth and Fifteenth *Victoria*, Chapter Sixty-eight, shall be deemed to be an Inspector under the Provisions of the said Act Tenth and Eleventh *Victoria*, Chapter Ninety, and shall be empowered to assist in carrying out the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Act as fully and effectually as if he had been appointed under the said Act.

Power to Inspectors under 10 & 11 Vict. c. 90. and 14 & 15 Vict. c. 68. to assist in execution of 29 & 30 Vict. c. 90.

2. Every Inspector appointed under the Provisions of the said Act Tenth and Eleventh *Victoria*, Chapter Ninety, or under the Provisions of the said Act Fourteenth and Fifteenth *Victoria*, Chapter Sixty-eight, shall be empowered to assist in carrying out the Provisions of the Sanitary Act, 1866, and shall have for that Purpose all and the like Powers of Inquiry, and all other Powers of Inspectors acting in the Execution of the Acts in force for Relief of the Poor in *Ireland*: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the said Poor Law Commissioners in any Case in which they shall direct Inquiry to be made into any Matter connected with the Administration of the Laws for the Relief of the Poor, or connected with the Execution of the said Act of Fourteenth and Fifteenth *Victoria*, Chapter Sixty-eight, or with the Provisions of the Sanitary Act, 1866, to associate together for the Purpose of such

such Inquiry, if they shall see fit so to do, an Inspector appointed under the said Act Tenth and Eleventh *Victoria*, Chapter Ninety, and an Inspector appointed under the said Act Fourteenth and Fifteenth *Victoria*, Chapter Sixty-eight, and such Inspectors shall in such Case make a joint Inquiry concerning the Matters in question.

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