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CAP. LXV.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Use of Voting Papers in Elections for the Universities.

[31st *July* 1868.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session holden in the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter Fifty-three, intituled *An Act to provide that Votes at Elections for the Universities may be recorded by means of Voting Papers*, it is provided that at the Elections for Burgesses to serve in Parliament for the Universities of *Oxford*, *Cambridge*, and *Dublin* Votes may be given by means of Voting Papers; but it is by the said Act provided that no Voting Paper shall be received or recorded unless the Person tendering the same shall make the following Declaration, which he shall sign at the Foot or Back thereof: 24 & 25 Vict. c. 53.

'I solemnly declare that I am personally acquainted with *A.B.* '[*the Voter*], and I verily believe that this is the Paper by which 'he intends to vote, pursuant to the Provisions of the Universities 'Election Act.'

And whereas by virtue of the Representation of the People Act, 1867, the said first-mentioned Act applies to every Election of a Member for the University of *London*: 30 & 31 Vict. c. 102.

And

And whereas it is expedient to amend the said first-mentioned Act so far as respects the said recited Declaration:

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:

Repeal of Form of Declaration.

1. From and after the passing of this Act the said recited Form of Declaration shall not be required, and there shall be substituted in place thereof the Form of Declaration following; that is to say,

'I solemnly declare that I verily believe that this is the Paper 'by which *A.B.* [*the Voter*] intends to vote pursuant to the 'Provisions of the "Universities Election Acts, 1861 and 1868."'

Amendment of Sect. 2. of first-recited Act.

2. The Second Section of the said first-mentioned Act shall, in reference to the University of *London*, be construed as if the Words "in the Manner heretofore used" were omitted therefrom.

Officers in whose Presence Voting Papers may be signed in the Channel Islands.

3. A Voting Paper for the Election of any Burgess or Member to serve in Parliament for any Universities or University in respect of which the Provisions of the said first-mentioned Act may for the Time being be in force, may be signed by a Voter being in one of the Channel Islands in the Presence of the following Officers; that is to say,

1. In *Jersey* and *Guernsey*, of the Bailiffs or any Lieutenant Bailiff, Jurat, or Juge d'Instruction.
2. In *Alderney*, of the Judge of *Alderney*, or any Jurat.
3. In *Sark*, of the Seneschal or Deputy Seneschal.

And for the Purpose of certifying and attesting the Signature of such Voting Paper, each of the said Officers shall have all the Powers of a Justice of the Peace under the first-mentioned Act, and a Statement of the official Quality of such Officer shall be a sufficient Statement of Quality in pursuance of the Provisions of the said Act.

Short Title.

4. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The Universities Elections Act, 1868," and the said first-mentioned Act and this Act may be cited together as "The Universities Election Acts, 1861 and 1868."

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