ANNO QUADRAGESIMO QUARTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. 88.

An Act for enabling the officiating Minister for the Time being of the Chapel of *Voylas*, in the County of *Denbigh*, to publish Banns and solemnize Marriages in the said Chapel. [20th *July* 1804.]

WHEREAS the Chapel of *Voylas*, in the Village of *Pentre Voylas*, in the District of *Tir Abbot*, otherwise *Hiraethog*, in the Parish of *Llanûsŷdd*, in the County of *Denbigh*, and Diocese of *Saint Asaph*, was erected in or about the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy, near a Place where an ancient Chapel stood, and was consecrated by the then Lord Bishop of *Bangor*, in the Year One thousand seven hundred and seventy-one, and is the Place of publick Worship for the Inhabitants of the said District of *Tir Abbot*, otherwise *Hiraethog*, which is about Five Miles and an Half in Length, and about Four Miles in Breadth, and contains nearly Four hundred Inhabitants: And whereas the said Village of *Voylas* is situated in a mountainous Country, at the Distance of Eighteen Miles, or thereabouts, from the Town and Parish Church of *Llanûsŷdd*, by the usual regular Horse Road, and about Fifteen Miles by passing directly over the Mountains, and has very little Communication with the said Town; and the said Chapel of *Voylas* is served by a perpetual Curate or Chaplain, nominated by the Lord of the Manor of *Hiraethog* aforesaid, and licensed by the Lord Bishop of *Saint Asaph* for the Time being, and residing at

Voylas aforesaid; be it therefore enacted by the King'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, That, from and after the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and five, it shall and may be lawful to and for the officiating Minister for the Time being of the said Chapel of *Voylas*, to publish Banns of Matrimony in the said Chapel between Persons residing, or One of them residing, in the said District of *Tir Abbot*, otherwise *Hiraethog*, and to solemnize Marriages in the said Chapel according to the Form of Solemnization of Matrimony contained in the Book of Common Prayer of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, and no otherwise, between Persons residing, or One of them residing, in the said District, either in pursuance of such Banns, or by Licence granted by any Person having lawful Authority to grant Licence of Marriage in the Diocese of *Saint Asaph*, and that a Register shall continue to be kept in the said Chapel, for the Purpose of registering such Marriages, according to the Form by Law required; and that all Marriages, so solemnized in the said Chapel, after the said Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and five, and duly registered, shall be as good and valid in Law as if such Marriages had been solemnized in a Parish Church or Parochial Chapel wherein Banns had been usually published before or at the Time of passing an Act, passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for the better preventing of Clandestine Marriages*; and that such Register, or a Copy thereof, shall be received in all Courts of Law and Equity as Evidence of such Marriages, in the same Manner as Registers of Marriages solemnized in Churches and publick Chapels, in which Banns were usually published before the passing of the said Act of the Twenty-sixth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, or Copies thereof, are received in Evidence.

After *March* 25, 1805, Banns of Marriage may be published in the Chapel of *Voylas*, &c.

Publick Act.

II. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be adjudged, deemed, and taken to be a Publick Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such, by all Judges, Justices, and other Persons whomsoever, without specially pleading the same.

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