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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. CVI.

An Act to provide for the Eſtabliſhment of Aſylums for the Lunatic Poor in *Ireland*. [11th *July* 1817.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that the diſtreſſed State of the Lunatic Poor in *Ireland* ſhould be provided for; 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 at any Time after the paſſing of this Act it ſhall and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, by and with the Advice and Conſent of His Majeſty's Privy Council in *Ireland*, to direct and order that any Number of Aſylums for the Lunatic Poor in *Ireland* ſhall be erected and eſtabliſhed in and for ſuch Diſtricts in *Ireland* as to the ſaid Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council ſhall ſeem expedient; and that every ſuch Diſtrict ſhall conſiſt of the whole of Two or more Counties, or of One or more County or Counties, and One or more County or Counties of Cities or Towns, but ſhall not include Part only of any County, County of a City or Town; and that all Lunatic Poor within every ſuch Diſtrict reſpectively ſhall be maintained and taken Care of in the Aſylum belonging to ſuch Diſtrict; and that every ſuch Aſylum ſhall be ſufficient to contain ſuch Number of Lunatic Poor, not being leſs than One hundred nor more than One hundred and fifty in any one Aſylum, as ſhall ſeem expedient to ſuch Lord Lieutenant

Lord Lieutenant may direct any Number of Aſylums for the Lunatic Poor to be erected and eſtabliſhed.

or other Chief Governor or Governors, and Privy Council; and every Order of Council to be made for such Purpose shall be published in the *Dublin Gazette*.

Grand Jury at Assizes to present such Sum as shall be requisite for such Asylum.

II. And be it further enacted, That at any Time after any such Order of Council shall be made and published in the *Dublin Gazette*, it shall and may be lawful for the Grand Jury of the several Counties, Counties of Cities and Towns, within any such District, at any Assizes, to present such Sum or Sums of Money to be raised off such Counties, Counties of Cities or Towns respectively, as shall be requisite for defraying the Expenses of erecting and establishing such Asylum, and for maintaining the same, to such Amount and in such Proportions as shall be directed by any Order to be made by the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, by and with the Advice of His Majesty's Privy Council in *Ireland*.

Lord Lieutenant may direct Money to be advanced out of the Consolidated Fund;

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, by and with the Advice of His Majesty's Privy Council in *Ireland*, to order and direct that any Sum or Sums of Money shall be advanced and issued and paid out of the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom arising in *Ireland*, to such Person or Persons as shall be named in any such Order of Council, or into the Bank of *Ireland*, in the Names of any such Person or Persons, to be paid and applied for the Purpose of erecting and establishing any such Asylum for the Lunatic Poor in any such District in *Ireland*, in such Sums and at such Times, and in such Manner and Proportions, and under such Rules, Regulations, Terms, and Conditions, and to annex such Penalties for Breach of set Rules, Regulations, Terms, and Conditions, as to such Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors and Privy Council shall seem best suited for promoting the beneficial Purposes of this Act; and after any such Asylum shall be fit for the Reception of such Lunatic Poor, the Grand Jury of every County, County of a City or Town, within the District in and for which such Asylum shall be erected and established, shall present such Sum or Sums of Money at the several ensuing Assizes for the Repayment of the Money so advanced, and at such Times and in such Proportions as shall be directed by the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*.

and may appoint Directors and Commissioners for superintending the Asylums.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, by and with the Advice of His Majesty's Privy Council in *Ireland*, to nominate and appoint such Persons as he and they shall think fit and proper to be Governors or Directors of every or any such Asylum in any such District, and also to nominate and appoint any Persons not exceeding Eight in Number to be Commissioners for General Control and Correspondence, and for the superintending and directing the Erection, Establishment, and Regulation of all such Asylums; and also that it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland* and Privy Council to make, frame, and establish, or upon the Suggestion and Recommendation of such Commissioners for General Control and Correspondence to adopt and authorize any Rules and Regulations for the good Conduct and Management of such Asylums in general, or of any

such Asylum in particular: Provided always, that every Person who shall be appointed to be a Governor or Director of any such Asylum, or to be one of the Commissioners for such General Control and Correspondence, shall act without any Salary, Fee, Reward, or Emolument whatsoever.

No Salary to Director, &c. allowed.

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