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CAP. XL.

An Act to amend the Laws for the Erection and Regulation of County Lunatic Asylums, and more effectually to provide for the Care and Maintenance of Pauper and Criminal Lunatics, in *England*. [15th *July* 1828.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that the several Statutes now in force in that Part of the United Kingdom called *England*, relating to the Care and Maintenance of Lunatics, being Paupers or Criminals, should be amended and consolidated into One Act, and that such other Provision should be made as will facilitate the Erection of County Lunatic Asylums, and improve the Treatment of Pauper and Criminal Lunatics; 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 the several Acts herein-after mentioned, *viz.* an Act passed in the Seventeenth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled *An Act to amend and make more effectual the Laws relating to Rogues, Vagabonds, and other idle and disorderly Persons, and to Houses of Correction*, so far as relates to Lunatics to be confined by Warrant of Justices; and also an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled

Repeal of 17 G. 2. c. 5. s. 20 & 21.

48 G. 3. c. 96. 51 G. 3. c. 79. 55 G. 3. c. 46. 56 G. 3. c. 117. 59 G. 3. c. 127. 5 G. 4. c. 71.

tuled *An Act for the better Care and Maintenance of Lunatics, being Paupers or Criminals, in* England; and also an Act passed in the Fifty-first Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend an Act of the Forty-eighth Year of His present Majesty, for the better Care and Maintenance of Lunatics, being Paupers or Criminals, in* England; and also an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of His present Majesty, intituled 'An Act for the better Care and Maintenance of Lunatics, being Paupers or Criminals, in* England;' and also an Act passed in the Fifty-sixth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, for the safe Custody of Insane Persons charged with Offences;* and also an Act passed in the Fifty-ninth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled *An Act for making Provision for the better Care of Pauper Lunatics in* England; and also an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend several Acts passed for the better Care and Maintenance of Lunatics, being Paupers or Criminals, in* England, shall be and the same are hereby repealed, except as to any Matters committed or done before the passing of this Act, which shall be dealt with as if this Act had not passed; and that all Asylums erected or established under the said recited Acts shall in future be regulated under the Directions of this Act.

Justices at Quarter Sessions may give Notice respecting the providing Lunatic Asylums.

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the major Part of the Justices of the Peace in and for every County in *England*, present at any General Quarter Sessions for the said County, to direct public Notice to be given in some Newspaper or Newspapers circulated in such County, of their Intention of taking into consideration at their next Quarter Sessions the Expediency of providing a County Lunatic Asylum or Asylums, or House or Houses for the Reception of Insane Persons, or of appointing a Committee of Justices to treat with the Justices of any One or more of the adjacent Counties, or with the Subscribers to any Lunatic Asylum heretofore built and established, or intended to be built and established, by voluntary Contributions, to unite with them for such Purpose.

Justices may appoint Committee to superintend the Erection of a Lunatic Asylum.

III. And be it further enacted, That the said Justices of the Peace, after such Notice so given as aforesaid, shall at their next General Quarter Sessions proceed to take the same into consideration; and if it shall appear to the major Part of the said Justices then and there assembled, (such major Part not being less in Number than Seven,) that it is expedient that a County Lunatic Asylum, or House for the Reception of Insane Persons, should be erected in and for the said County Sole, the said Justices shall nominate and appoint such Number of Visiting Justices as they shall think fit to superintend the Erection and Management of such County Lunatic Asylum, who from Time to Time shall report their Proceedings to the Court of General Quarter Sessions.

IV. And

Justices may appoint Committee to treat with adjacent Counties, or with the Committee of Subscribers to Asylums maintained by voluntary Contributions.

IV. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where it shall appear expedient to the said Justices, so assembled as aforesaid, to unite for the Purposes of this Act with any One or more adjacent Counties, or with any Lunatic Asylum heretofore built and established by voluntary Contributions, or so intended to be built and established, it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices, so assembled as aforesaid, to appoint any Number of Justices not exceeding Five, to be a Committee for treating with any Committee of Justices of any such said County or Counties, appointed according to the Provisions of this Act, or with any Committee of any such Lunatic Asylum, to be appointed as herein-after directed for such Purposes.

Subscribers to any Lunatic Asylum may appoint a Committee to enter into Agreement with Committee of Justices.

V. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the major Part of the Subscribers to any such Lunatic Asylum, present at any Meeting of Subscribers to the same, to be called together by public Advertisement for the express Purpose of making such Appointment, to appoint any Number of Subscribers not exceeding Five, to be a Committee to treat with and enter into any Agreement with the Committee of Justices of any County for the Purposes of this Act; and that every such Agreement shall specify the Place at or near which such County Lunatic Asylum shall be situate, the Regulations under which the Expences to be incurred shall be defrayed, and the Number or Proportion of the Visitors to be appointed by the said County and Subscribers respectively, and, when signed by the major Part of the Committee of Justices aforesaid, and the major Part of the Committee of Subscribers so appointed as aforesaid, shall be binding upon the said County and Subscribers, if subsequently approved of as herein-after directed.

Agreement to be entered into where Counties shall be united.

VI. And be it further enacted, That where the Committees of Justices so appointed by any Two or more Counties shall think fit to unite the said Counties for the Purposes of this Act, and shall signify their Inclination and Desire so to do at a Meeting holden for that Purpose, an Agreement shall at such Meeting, or as soon as conveniently may be afterwards, be entered into by the said Justices so appointed as aforesaid, or the major Part of them, in the Form or to the Effect set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed (No. 1.), which Agreement, when subscribed by the major Part of the Justices so nominated and appointed for each County, shall be binding upon the said County; and every such Agreement shall specify the Place at or near which such County Lunatic Asylum shall be situate, and the Proportions in which the Expences necessary for the carrying into Execution the Purposes of this Act shall be charged and assessed upon the several Counties so uniting, which Proportions shall be calculated by the said Justices so appointed upon the Numbers of the respective Population of the said several Counties and Places as shall have been stated in the last Returns of the said Population which shall have been made under the Authority of Parliament previous to the Union of such Counties.

Agreement to be reported to Quarter

VII. And be it further enacted, That whensoever any Agreement shall have been so entered into and signed as aforesaid, the Justices so

Sessions, and not to be valid unless approved of.

so appointed to be a Committee for each County so uniting shall respectively report the same to the Justices at their next General Quarter Sessions to be holden for each of the said Counties, and shall then and there deliver into Court a Duplicate of the said Agreement, to be by the Clerks of the Peace of the said Counties entered among the Records: Provided always, that no Agreement made by any Committee of Justices shall be valid until the same shall have been submitted to and approved by the Majority of the Justices of the Peace of the County, assembled at the next ensuing General Quarter Sessions which shall be holden after such Agreement shall have been entered into.

Appointment of Committees of Justices and Subscribers to form united Committee of Visitors for providing and managing a Lunatic Asylum.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That whenever a County Lunatic Asylum has been provided under the Provisions of any former Act of Parliament, and in every Case in which it shall be determined that a County Lunatic Asylum shall be provided under the Provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for the major Part of the Justices of the Peace acting in and for the County or united Counties at whose Expence, wholly or in part, such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been or is to be provided, present at the General Quarter Sessions next after the passing of this Act, if a County Lunatic Asylum shall have been already provided, or present at the General Quarter Sessions where such Determination shall be made, or such Agreement as aforesaid shall be approved of, as the Case may be, if the County Lunatic Asylum is hereafter to be provided, and thereafter at the *Michaelmas* General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for such County or Counties respectively in each Year, and for the major Part of the Subscribers to any Lunatic Asylum erected or to be erected by voluntary Contributions, who may have united or who may hereafter unite with any County or Counties under the Provisions of this or any former Act, present at a General Meeting to be holden in the Months of *September* or *October* in every Year, of which due Notice shall be given by public Advertisement in some Newspaper circulated within the County in which such Lunatic Asylum shall be situated, to elect respectively the Members of the Committee of Visiting Justices, or Committee of Subscribers, to act together, for the providing, building, Erection, and Management of such County Lunatic Asylum; and that it shall be lawful for the major Part of the Justices of the Peace acting in and for such County or Counties, such major Part not being less than Seven, present at any General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for such County or Counties respectively, or any Adjournment thereof, and for the major Part of the Subscribers to any such Asylum erected or to be erected by voluntary Contributions as aforesaid, present at any General Meeting to be called for that Purpose, of which due Notice shall be given as aforesaid, to fill up any Vacancy in the Number of such Committee as may have occurred by Death or Resignation of any Member of such Committee of Justices or Subscribers respectively: Provided always, that the Number of such Justices so appointed to be the Committee of Visitors as aforesaid shall be in proportion to the Share of Expences to be charged and assessed upon the County for which they shall act, but so that a Number less than Seven shall in no case be appointed for any County so united, and

Mode of filling up Vacancies in the same.

Proviso as to the Proportion of the Numbers of such Committees.

the Number of the Committee of Subscribers to any Lunatic Asylum uniting with any County as aforesaid, shall be in such Proportion as shall have been specified in the Agreement entered into between such County or Counties and the Subscribers to such Lunatic Asylum.

If Appointment not made, the Visitors continuing to act shall be deemed the Committee.

IX. And be it further enacted, That if the Justices or Subscribers as aforesaid shall in any Year neglect or omit to make such Election, or to fill up any Vacancy which may have occurred as aforesaid, then the Committee of Visitors before appointed, or such of them as shall continue to act, shall be deemed and taken to be the legal Committee of Visitors for the providing, Building, Erection, and Management of such County Lunatic Asylum, until such Election as aforesaid shall have been made, or such Vacancy shall have been filled up.

Empowering Visitors to act;

to appoint Clerk and Surveyor;

to contract for the Purchase of Lands;

Contracts to be entered in a Book.

X. And be it further enacted, That the said Visitors so nominated and appointed are hereby authorized and required, within Three Calendar Months after such Nomination and Appointment as aforesaid, to meet and assemble at such Place as shall appear most convenient for that Purpose, (due Notice thereof being previously given to such Visitors by the Clerk or Clerks of the Peace of such County or Counties respectively); and that the said Visitors may adjourn the said Meeting from Time to Time, or from Place to Place, and meet as often as they shall think necessary; and the said Visitors, or the major Part of them, are hereby authorized at their said Meetings to appoint a Clerk and a Surveyor for duly exercising the Powers of this Act, and from Time to Time to receive Plans and Estimates, and, subject as herein-after mentioned, to contract for the Purchase of Lands and Buildings, and for building, erecting, altering, furnishing, and completing such County Lunatic Asylum, and the Yards, Courts, and Outlets thereto belonging; and every such Contractor shall give sufficient Security for the due Performance of his Contract to the Clerk to such Visitors; and all Contracts, when made, and all Orders relating thereto, shall be entered in a Book to be kept by the Clerk to such Visitors; and when such County Lunatic Asylum shall be declared to be completed, then such Book shall be deposited and kept among the Records of such County Sole, or of such of the Counties so united for the Purposes of this Act as shall have paid the largest Quota or Proportion of the Expences of providing such County Lunatic Asylum, to be inspected at all reasonable Times by any Persons contributing to the County Rates of such County or Counties respectively, or by any such voluntary Subscribers as aforesaid; and all Buildings or Land so to be contracted for and purchased shall be conveyed to such Person or Persons as the Visitors shall think fit, in Trust for the Uses and Purposes of this Act; and the said Visitors shall from Time to Time make their Report to the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace of such County or Counties respectively, of the several Plans, Estimates, and Contracts which shall have been made and entered into in manner aforesaid, and also a Report of the Sum or Sums of Money necessary to be raised and levied on such County Sole as the Expence,

or on each of such united Counties as the Quota or Proportion of the Expence, to be incurred in the several Accounts as aforesaid.

Visitors not to be concerned in Contracts.

XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Visitor who shall, under the Authority of this Act, do any Matter or Thing in the Execution hereof, shall be capable of having any beneficial Interest or Concern whatsoever, either in his own Name or in the Name of any other Person in Trust for him, in any Contract or Agreement to be made under the Authority of this Act, or shall, for any Design or Plan he may deliver or produce, receive any Benefit or Emolument whatever.

Justices to make Rates to defray the necessary Expences.

XII. And be it further enacted, in order to defray the necessary Expences for the Execution of this Act, That the Justices of the Peace at their General or Quarter Sessions may and shall assess and tax a special County Rate or Rates on all Places liable to contribute to the County Rate, which said special County Rate shall be collected, levied, and recovered in like Manner, and by such Ways and Means, and under such Penalties, as any ordinary County Rate may by Law be collected, levied, and recovered.

Justices may borrow Money upon Mortgage of the Rates herein directed to be raised.

XIII. And whereas the Expences of carrying this Act into Execution may in some Cases become very burthensome on the Occupiers of Land, and others the Contributors to the County Rates, in case the said Expences shall be raised in the Manner herein mentioned; be it further enacted, That when it shall appear in the Report of such Visitors that the Charge and Costs of carrying this Act into Execution will exceed One Half of the Amount of the ordinary Annual Assessment for the County Rate for any County (such ordinary Assessment to be taken on a mean Proportion of the said Rate of the last Five Years preceding that), then and in that Case it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace within the respective Limits of their Commission, so assembled in their Quarter Sessions as aforesaid, from Time to Time to borrow and take upon Mortgage of the Rates herein mentioned, by Instruments in the Form contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed (No. 2.), or to that or the like Effect, any Sum not less than Fifty Pounds each, at legal or lower Interest, as to them or the major Part of them (such major Part not being less than Five) shall seem necessary and expedient for the Purposes aforesaid, and to secure all and every such Sum and Sums of Money so borrowed upon the Credit of the Rates to be raised upon such County respectively; and the said Justices so assembled as aforesaid are hereby authorized to treat and agree with any Person or Persons for the Loan of any such Sum or Sums of Money, and by their Order to confirm and establish every such Agreement as aforesaid; and every such Agreement so established by such Order, and signed by the Chairman and Two or more Justices present at the Time of making such Order, shall be and the same is hereby declared to be effectual for securing to the Person or Persons so advancing any Sum or Sums of Money, his or their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, all and every such Sum or Sums of Money, with Interest for the same, on such Terms as in and by such Agree-

ment respectively shall be for that Purpose stipulated; and the said Securities shall be numbered in Order of Succession in which they shall be granted, and Copies or Extracts of all such Agreements or Securities shall be kept with the Clerk of the Peace, or other proper Officer having the Custody of the Records of the Quarter Sessions of such County respectively; and all and every Person and Persons to whom any such Security or Securities shall be made, or who shall be entitled to the Money thereby secured, is and are hereby empowered (by endorsing his, her, or their Name or Names on the Back of such Security or Securities) to transfer and assign the same, and his, her, or their Right to the Principal Money and Interest thereby secured, unto any Person or Persons, and every such Assignee may in like Manner transfer the same again, and so *toties quoties*; and the Person or Persons to whom such Security or Securities, or any such Assignment thereof, shall be made, and his or their respective Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, shall be Creditors upon the said Rates in an equal Degree one with another, and shall not have any Preference with respect to the Priority of any Monies so advanced.

Rates so raised to be charged with the Interest, and with a further Sum to be applied in Discharge of Interest and Principal.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That the said Justices are hereby authorized and required, not only to charge the Rates to be raised upon such County with the Interest of the Money so borrowed on such Securities, but also with the Payment of a further Sum, equal at least with the Sum so charged for the Interest of such Securities, which said Sum shall be paid and applied, under the Direction of the said Justices, in Discharge of the Interest, and of so many of the Principal Sums on the said Securities as such Money will extend to discharge in each Year, until the whole of the Money for which such Securities shall be made, and the Interest thereof, shall be fully paid and discharged; and the said Justices are required to fix One or more Days in each Year on which such Payment shall be made, and shall make Orders for Assessments in due Time, so as to provide for the regular Payment thereof; and they are hereby required to appoint a proper Person to keep an exact and regular Account of all the Receipts and Payments under the Authority of this Act, in a Book or Books separate and apart from all other Accounts, and the same to adjust and settle in such Manner that it may easily be seen what Interest is growing, and what Principal Money has been discharged, and what remains due; and the said Book or Books, so adjusted and settled, to deliver into Court at every General Annual *Michaelmas* Quarter Sessions to be held for any such County, or at such other Period of the Year in any County in which General Annual Sessions shall be held; and the said Justices are hereby required, at every such Sessions, carefully to inspect all such Accounts, and to make Orders for carrying the several Purposes of this Act into Execution, in such Manner as to them shall seem meet; and if at any Time it shall appear to the said Justices that the Person so appointed has neglected the said Order, and has not duly applied the Money in his Hands to the Purposes hereby directed, such Person shall forfeit Double the Amount of the Money which shall not have been applied for the Purposes of this Act, to be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of such Justices; and the said Penalty, after the Charges of recovering

A Person to be appointed to keep the Accounts, and deliver the same to the Justices at the Michaelmas Quarter Sessions, who are to inspect them.

Penalty on such Person for Neglect.

For discharging Securities.

recovering the same, shall be paid to the Treasurer of such County Lunatic Asylum, to be applied to the Use of the same; and the said Justices, on a Day and Hour to be fixed at some General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for such County, (of which Fourteen Days public Notice shall be given as aforesaid,) shall, in open Court, cause all the said several Securities to be drawn by Lot, and numbered for Payment according to the Event of such Drawing, and the Securities so drawn and numbered shall be regularly discharged in Succession, according to the Priority of such drawn Number.

Justices at Sessions may direct Tenants at Rack Rent to deduct One Half of the Rates from their Rent.

XV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Justices of the Peace at their said General or Quarter Sessions, if they shall unanimously agree so to do, to direct that every Tenant at Rack Rent paying such Rent aforesaid may deduct and detain, out of the Rent payable to his or her Landlord or Landlords for the Premises in respect of which such Rent is payable, One Half Part of the full Amount of such Rate; and every Tenant at Rack Rent, having paid such Rate in manner as aforesaid, shall be and is hereby acquitted and discharged of and from the Payment of so much Money as such Half Part shall amount to, as fully and effectually as if the same had been actually paid to any such Landlord or Landlords in part of the Rent due from such Tenant.

Justices to make Provision for paying Money borrowed within a limited Time.

XVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That the Justices of the Peace in their respective Quarter Sessions shall and they are hereby required to make Provisions, by means of the Rates (which they are hereby authorized to make), and by their Orders and Directions (which they are hereby authorized to give), in such Manner that the whole Money to be borrowed under the Authority of this Act shall be fully paid and discharged within a Time to be limited, not exceeding Fourteen Years from the Time of borrowing the same.

Bodies Politic, Guardians, &c. may convey Lands.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the King's most Excellent Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and for all Bodies Politic and Corporate, and also for Guardians, Committees, Husbands, Trustees, and Attornies of any Person or Persons, being Infants, Lunatics, Idiots, under Coverture or any other Disability, and also for all other Persons who are or shall be seised, possessed of, or interested in any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Easements, and Privileges which shall be deemed necessary for the Purposes of this Act, to contract and agree for, and to sell, convey, and assure such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Easements, and Privileges, unto such Person or Persons as shall be named by the Visitors, in Trust and for the Purpose of erecting or providing such County Lunatic Asylum, and the Yards, Courts, and Outlets thereunto belonging; and all such Contracts, Agreements, Sales, Conveyances, and Assurances shall be valid and effectual in Law to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever; any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

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XVIII. And be it further enacted, That all Sums of Money which shall be agreed to be paid to any Corporation, Guardian, Committee, Husband, Trustee, or Attorney, for or on behalf of any Infants, Lunatics, Idiots, Femes Covert, or Cestuique Trusts, or to any other Person or Persons whose Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Easements, and Privileges shall be limited in Settlement, for the Purchase of any such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, shall, in case such Sums of Money shall exceed the Sum of One hundred Pounds, be laid out by such Corporations, Guardians, Committees, Husbands, Trustees, Attornies, or any Person or Persons seised or possessed of such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Easements, or Privileges so limited in Settlement, as soon as conveniently may be, in the Purchase of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in Fee Simple, to be conveyed to or to the Use of such Corporations, Guardians, Committees, Husbands, Trustees, or Attornies, and to and for such Person or Persons, and for such Estate or Estates, and to, for, and upon and subject to such Uses, Limitations, Remainders, and Contingencies as the Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Easements, or Privileges, for or in respect whereof such Purchase Money shall be paid as aforesaid, shall be limited, settled, and assured at the Time such Purchase or Contract shall be made in manner aforesaid, or such as shall then be capable of taking Effect, the Charges of such Conveyances and Settlements to be paid in the same Manner as the other Expences relating to the County Lunatic Asylum; and in the meantime, and until such Purchase or Purchases shall be made, such Money, whether the same shall or shall not exceed the Sum of One hundred Pounds, shall be laid out by such Corporations, or other Persons for the Time being interested therein, in some Government Securities, in the Names of Two Persons, one to be nominated by the Party or Parties for the Time being interested therein, and the other by the Visitors aforesaid; and the Interest arising from such Securities shall be paid to such Person or Persons respectively as would have been entitled to the Rents and Profits of such Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Easements, and Privileges, in case the same had not been sold, or would for the Time being be entitled to the Rents and Profits of such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments so to be purchased, in case the same were purchased and settled as aforesaid.

Application of Money to be paid for the Purchase of Land, &c.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That in case the Body or Person to whom any Sum of Money shall be contracted to be paid for the Purchase of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, for the Purposes of this Act, shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises, to the Satisfaction of the said Visitors, or shall refuse to execute a Conveyance or Assignment thereof, or in case the Person to whom any Sum or Sums of Money shall be so contracted to be paid as aforesaid cannot be found, or be not known or discovered, then it shall be lawful for the said Visitors to pay the said Sum of Money into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Exchequer, to be placed to his Account to the Credit of the Party, if known, who shall be interested in the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, (describing

In case of not making out Title, or if Persons cannot be found, Purchase Money to be paid into the Bank.

scribing such Tenements or Hereditaments,) but if not known, then to the Credit of the said Visitors, subject to the Order, Controul, or Disposition of the said Court of Exchequer; which said Court, on the Application of any Body or Person making claim to any such Sum of Money, or any Part thereof, by Motion or Petition, shall be and the same is hereby empowered, in a summary Way of Proceeding or otherwise, as to the same Court shall seem meet, to order the same to be laid out and invested in the Public Funds, or to order Distribution thereof, on Payment of the Dividends thereof, according to the respective Estate or Estates, Title, or Interest of the Body or Person making claim thereunto, and to make such other Order in the Premises as to the said Court shall seem just and reasonable; and the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of *England* who shall receive such Sum of Money is and are hereby required to give a Receipt for such Sum of Money, specifying for what the same is received, to such Person as shall pay any such Sum of Money into the Bank as aforesaid.

If Person entitled to Lands, &c. cannot be found, or refuse to execute a Conveyance thereof, upon Payment of the Money into the Bank, such Lands, &c. to vest in the Clerk of the Peace of the County, freed of all Claims.

XX. And be it further enacted, That if any Body or Person seised or possessed of or interested in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Share or Shares, Estate or Estates, Interest or Interests therein, or Charge or Charges thereon, as aforesaid, cannot be found, or shall not be known, or shall not be able to make a good Title to the Premises to the Satisfaction of the said Visitors, or shall refuse to execute a Conveyance or Conveyances thereof, then and in any of such Cases, upon Payment of such Sum of Money as shall have been contracted and agreed to be paid for the Purchase of the same Premises into the Bank of *England*, as herein-before directed (in case the same shall be requisite), for the Use of such Person so interested or entitled as aforesaid, such Tenements or Hereditaments, or Parts, Shares, Estates, Interest, or Charges, and the Fee Simple and Inheritance thereof, together with the yearly Profits thereof, and all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Use, Trust, Property, Claim, and Demand, in Law and Equity, of the Body or Person, or unknown Person, to whose Credit such Money shall be paid, in, to, and out of the Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises to be purchased as aforesaid, shall from thenceforth vest in the Clerk of the Peace for the Time being, and his Successors in Office, of the County in which such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments shall be situated, who shall be deemed in Law to be in the actual Seisin and Possession thereof, to all Intents and Purposes, freed and discharged from all former and other Estates, Rights, Titles, and Interests, Claims and Demands, as fully and effectually as if every Body or Person having any Estate in the Premises had actually conveyed the same by Lease and Release, Bargain and Sale enrolled, Feoffment with Livery of Seisin, Fine, Common Recovery, or any other Conveyance or Assurance whatsoever; and such Payment shall not only bar all Right, Title, Interest, Claim, and Demand of the Body or Person, or unknown Person, of, in, or to the same Premises, to whose Credit such Payment or Tender shall have been made, but also shall extend to bar the Dower and Dowers of the Wife of such Person, and all Estates Tail and other Estates in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, Expectancy, or Contingency, and the Issue and

Issues of such Person, and every other Person whomsoever; and the same Premises shall and may be thereupon made use of and employed for the Purposes of this Act, according to the Directions of the said Visitors, and under the Regulations of this Act.

Persons in Possession deemed entitled, unless the contrary be shown.

XXI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, Where any Question shall arise touching the Title of any Body or Person to any Money to be paid into the Bank of *England* in pursuance of this Act, for the Purchase of any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Part thereof, or of any Estate, Right, Title, Charge, or Interest in, to, or upon any Tenements or Hereditaments to be purchased or taken in pursuance of this Act, or to any Bank Annuities to be purchased with any such Money, or to the Dividends or Interest thereof, the Body or Person who shall have been in the Possession of such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Parts, Shares, Estates, Interests, or Charges, at the Time of such Purchase, and all Bodies or Persons claiming under such Body or Person, or under the Possession of such Body or Person, shall be deemed and taken to have been lawfully entitled to such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, Parts, Shares, Estates, Interests, or Charges, according to such Possession, until the contrary shall be shown to the Satisfaction of the said Court of Exchequer; and the Dividends or Interest of, and the Capital of the Bank Annuities to be purchased with such Money, shall be paid, applied, and disposed of accordingly, unless it shall be made appear to the said Court that such Possession was a wrongful Possession, and that some other Body or Person was lawfully entitled to such Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Part or Parts thereof, or some Estate or Interest therein, or Charge thereon.

The Court may order reasonable Expences of Purchase to be paid by the Treasurer of the County, and charged to the County Rate.

XXII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That where by reason of any Disability or Incapability of the Body or Corporation or other Person entitled to any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or Part thereof, or Share, Estate, or Interest therein, or Charge thereon, to be purchased or taken under the Authority of this Act, the Purchase Money for the same shall be required to be paid into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Exchequer, and to be applied in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be settled to the like Uses in pursuance of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Court to order the Expences of all Purchases to be made in pursuance of this Act, or so much thereof as the said Court shall deem reasonable, to be paid by the Treasurer of the County, who shall pay such Sums of Money for such Purposes as the said Court shall direct, and charge the same to the County Rate.

Money to be paid before any Use made of the Premises.

XXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That all Sums of Money to be paid pursuant to any such Agreement as aforesaid, shall be paid or tendered to the Party entitled to the same, or into the Bank of *England* as herein mentioned, before the said Visitors, or any Person authorized by them, shall proceed to take possession of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments comprised in or affected by

by such Agreement, or to use the same for any of the Purposes of this Act.

Commissioners of Woods and Forests, with Consent of Treasury, &c. may grant Sites for building.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, by and with the Consent of the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or any Three or more of them, in Writing, or for His Majesty, by any Grant signed by the Chancellor of the Duchy of *Lancaster* for the Time being, or for the Duke of *Cornwall*, by any Grant signed by the Chancellor of the Duchy of *Cornwall* for the Time being, to grant any Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as and for a Site of a County Lunatic Asylum, and to be used therewith; and the said Visitors, and the Persons to be appointed by them, and their Successors, shall be and are hereby empowered and made capable of receiving and enjoying the Benefit of any such Grant for the Use and Purposes of this Act.

Justices may purchase Lands, notwithstanding the Statute of Mortmain.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That for the Purposes of this Act the said Visitors shall have full Power, Capacity, and Ability to accept and take from any Person willing to give the same, or otherwise to purchase, take, hold, and enjoy, any Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and any Interest therein, and any Money issuing out of or charged upon or to arise from the Sale of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments of and to any Value and Amount whatever; the Statutes of Mortmain, or any other Statute or Law to the contrary thereof, in anywise notwithstanding.

Justices to fix Sums to be expended on Purchase of Land and Houses, &c. or in erecting Buildings.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That in every Case in which a County Lunatic Asylum shall be provided under the Provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for the major Part of the Justices of the Peace of any County or Counties united under this Act (such major Part not being less than Five), present at any Quarter Sessions of the Peace, or any Adjournment thereof, to be held for such County or Counties, from Time to Time to fix and limit the Sums which may be expended on the Purchase of Lands or Houses, or in the Erection of new Buildings, or in the Extension or Alteration of existing Buildings, for the Purpose of such County Lunatic Asylum, or the Yards, Outlets, or Courts thereunto belonging, as well on the first Establishment of such County Lunatic Asylum as at any Time during its Continuance; and it shall not be lawful for the Committee of Visitors appointed for the Building, Erection, and Management of such County Lunatic Asylum, to enter into any Contract or Contracts for the Purchase of Lands or Houses, for the Erection of new Buildings, or for the Extension or Alteration of existing Buildings, for the Purpose of such County Lunatic Asylum, or the Yards, Outlets, and Courts thereunto belonging, at a Sum or Sums which may in the whole exceed the Sum so from Time to Time limited and appointed by the Justices assembled in Sessions as aforesaid; and no Contract so entered into by such Visitors shall be held to be valid or legal.

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XXVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for, and the said Visitors, with the previous Consent of the major Part of the said Justices assembled in Sessions, shall have full Power and Authority to take a Demise or Grant of any Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, on the Site or Sites of which it shall be proposed to erect or maintain any such County Lunatic Asylum, at a Rent in the Nature of Fee Farm Rent; but such Grant or Demise shall contain a Power for such Justices to purchase the Fee Simple, free from Incumbrances, on Payment of any agreed Sum, not to exceed Thirty Years Purchase of the Rent reserved. Visiting Justices may rent Premises for erecting a Lunatic Asylum.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That when any County Lunatic Asylum so provided or so to be provided for any County or Counties, or any Part thereof, or any Addition to any County Lunatic Asylum already provided, shall be situate within the Limits of any other County, then and in every such Case the Justices of the Peace for the County or Counties to which such County Lunatic Asylum shall belong shall have full Power and Authority to act therein, so far as concerns the Regulation of the same, in the like Manner as if such County Lunatic Asylum, or the Additions thereto, were situate within the Bounds of their respective Counties. If Asylum be situate in any other County, Justices of the County or Counties to which it belongs may act therein.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That in all future Rates, Taxes, and Levies to be made for any Parish or Place in which any Land or Ground already purchased or to be purchased under the Provisions of this or any former Act, for the Purposes of any County Lunatic Asylum, shall be situate, such Land or Ground, with any Buildings to be erected thereon, shall not be assessed to any such Rates, Taxes, or Levies, at a higher Value and more improved Rent than the same Land or Ground was at the Time of such Purchase; nor shall any Building or Buildings, which under this or any former Act has been or shall be erected on such Land, be assessed to any House or Window Tax; any Act or Acts to the contrary notwithstanding. Assessment to Rates not to be increased by reason of Purchases of Land under this Act.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where any such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been established under the Authority of this Act, or any former Act or Acts, the major Part of the Visitors appointed as aforesaid to superintend the same, present at a Meeting duly summoned, such major Part not being fewer than Three, shall from Time to Time make such Regulations as to them shall seem expedient for the Management and Conduct thereof, in which Regulations shall be set forth the Number and Description of Officers and Servants to be kept, the Duties to be required, and what Salaries respectively shall be paid to them, and may appoint a Treasurer, and such other Officers and Servants, together with such Number of Assistants as they shall from Time to Time find necessary, in proportion to the Number of Persons confined in such County Lunatic Asylum, and may dismiss any such Officer, Servant, or Assistant, if they see Occasion; and shall from Time to Time fix a certain weekly Rate to be paid for each Person confined in such County Lunatic Asylum, which may be sufficient to defray the whole Visitors to make Regulations and appoint Officers; and to fix a weekly Rate for Maintenance of Insane Persons.

Expence of the Maintenance and Care, Medicine and Clothing, requisite for such Person, and the Salaries of the Officers and Attendants: Provided always, that such Rate shall in no Case exceed Fourteen Shillings *per* Week; and that the said Visitors shall annually audit the Accounts of the Treasurer, and report the same to the next General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the Counties at the Expence of which such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been erected.

Rate not to exceed 14*s.* per Week.

If Rate be found insufficient, Justices in Quarter Sessions may increase it.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That if the aforesaid Rate of Fourteen Shillings shall be found insufficient, it shall be lawful for the major Part of the Justices of the Peace acting in and for the County or Counties at whose Expence such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been established, present at any Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for such County or Counties, or any Adjournment thereof, (such major Part not being less than Seven,) to make such Addition to such Rate as to them shall seem fit and necessary, and to make an Order accordingly; which Order shall be signed by the Clerks of the Peace, or their Deputies, on behalf of the Court for their respective Counties, and forthwith published in some Newspaper circulated within the County or Counties; and such additional Rate shall be paid by the Overseers of the Poor of the Parishes, Townships, or Places to which the Insane Persons in such County Lunatic Asylum respectively belong, in the same Manner as is provided by this Act with regard to the weekly Rate from Time to Time to be fixed on by the Visitors for the Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Insane Persons.

A Chaplain to be appointed for every County Lunatic Asylum.

XXXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in every Case where a County Lunatic Asylum shall be provided, a Chaplain shall be appointed for the same, which Chaplain shall be in full Orders, and shall be licensed by the Bishop of the Diocese; and the said Licence shall be revocable by the Bishop whenever he shall think fit to withdraw it; and such Chaplain shall perform on each *Sunday*, and on the great Festivals, the Divine Service of our Church, according to the Forms by Law established.

Visitors to direct Repairs and make Order upon the Treasurers for Payment of Expences.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That such Visitors may from Time to Time order all such Repairs or other Expences as may be necessary for such County Lunatic Asylum, and shall direct the same to be paid by an Order upon the County Treasurer where such County Lunatic Asylum shall be established by One County only, or shall apportion the same as afore-mentioned upon each County or Lunatic Asylum, when Two or more County or Counties and Lunatic Asylum are united, and shall make an Order upon the Treasurer of each of the said united Counties, and Treasurer of such Asylum, for the Payment of the Proportion to be paid by such County or Lunatic Asylum, and that such Treasurer shall immediately discharge the same out of any Money which may then be in his Hands, under the Penalty of Double such Sum as he shall be directed to pay, to be recovered from him for the Benefit of such County Lunatic Asylum, by Action in any of His Majesty's Courts at *Westminster*, by the Treasurer of the said County Lunatic Asylum; provided that no Order or Determination

to be made at any Meeting of the Visitors which shall be held under this Act shall be made, nor unless due Notice of such Meeting shall have been previously given, according to the Provisions of this Act, or according to the Rules and Regulations made by the Visitors; and that all Acts, Orders, and Proceedings which by this Act are directed to be had, made, or done by or before the said Visitors, and all the Powers and Authorities by this Act vested in them generally, shall and may be made and done by the major Part of such Visitors present at the respective Meetings to be held by virtue of this Act, such major Part not being fewer than Three.

No Order to be made by Visitors unless the major Part concur.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Committee of Visitors of any County Lunatic Asylum shall neglect to adjourn any Meeting held for the Purposes of this Act, or where any Circumstance shall occur rendering the Meeting of such Committee necessary within the Period to which their Meeting may have been adjourned, it shall be lawful for the Clerk to such Committee to convene a new Meeting by a Circular Letter to each Member of such Committee, informing him of the Time and Place of such Meeting, Ten Days at least before the same shall be held.

Clerk may convene new Meetings of Visitors in certain Cases.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That the said Visitors may sue and be sued in the Name of their Clerk; and that no Action that may be brought or commenced by or against the said Visitors, or any of them, by virtue of this Act, in the Name of the Clerk, shall abate or be discontinued by the Death or Removal of such Clerk, or by the Act of such Clerk without the Consent of the said Visitors, or any Five or more of them, but the Clerk to the Visitors for the Time being shall always be deemed Plaintiff or Defendant in such Action, as the Case shall be.

Visitors may sue in the Name of their Clerk, whose Death or Removal shall not abate Actions.

XXXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Justices of the Peace acting in and for any County within *England*, at their several Petty Sessions which shall be held next after the Fifteenth Day of *August* in each Year, shall and they are hereby required to issue their Warrants to the Overseers of the Poor of the Parishes within their respective Subdivisions, in the Form in the Schedule hereunto annexed (No. 3.), to return Lists of all Insane Persons chargeable to their respective Parishes, specifying the Name, Sex, and Age of each Insane Person, and whether such Insane Person be dangerous or otherwise, and for what Length of Time they have been disordered in their Senses, and where confined, or how otherwise disposed of; and the Overseers of the Poor as aforesaid shall, on the Receipt of such Warrants, forthwith prepare such Lists accordingly, in the Form in the Schedule hereunto annexed (No. 4.), and such Lists shall be verified on Oath before any one Justice of the Peace, and, accompanied with a Certificate as to the State and Condition of every Insane Person from a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, shall within Fifteen Days be transmitted by such Overseer to the Clerk of the Peace acting in and for such County, or his Deputy, to be by him laid before the Justices acting for such County at their next General Quarter Sessions; and any Overseer of the Poor to whom any such Warrant shall have been directed and delivered, who shall

Justices at Petty Sessions to require Overseers to make Returns of Insane Persons yearly.

Penalty on Overseers neglecting to make such Returns.

shall not return such List so verified on Oath, and so accompanied with such Certificate as aforesaid, shall for every such Offence be subject to a Fine not exceeding Ten Pounds, to be levied by Warrant of Distress, under the Hands and Seals of Two Justices of the Peace; and it shall be lawful for such Overseers of the Poor, and they are hereby required, to defray the necessary Expences of the Examination of such Insane Persons by a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, out of the Poor Rates of the Parish, Township, or Place to which such Insane Persons respectively belong, or where the legal Settlement of such Insane Person shall not have been ascertained, then out of the Poor Rates of the Parish, Township, or Place in which such Insane Person shall reside.

Penalty on Overseer neglecting to give Notice to Justice of the Peace of the State of Insane Persons.

XXXVII. And be it further enacted, That if any Overseer of the Poor of any Parish or Place to which any Insane Person shall be chargeable, shall for the Space of Seven Days wilfully neglect to give Information of the State of such Person to some Justice of the Peace acting within the Division of the County within which the said Parish or Place is situate, he shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay a Sum of Money not exceeding Ten Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings, (Half to the Informer and Half to the Treasurer of the County, to be by him placed to the Credit of the County,) to be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of any Two Justices of the Peace for the County in which such Parish or Place is situate.

When any poor Person is deemed to be insane, One Justice may require the Overseers to bring such Person before Two Justices, who, upon due Examination, may cause him or her to be sent to the Lunatic Asylum or Licensed House.

XXXVIII. And be it further enacted, That upon its being made known to any Justice of the Peace of any County, that a poor Person chargeable to any Parish or Place within such County is deemed to be insane, either by Notice from the Overseer of such Parish or otherwise, it shall be lawful for the said Justice, by an Order under his Hand and Seal, if he shall so think fit, to require the Overseer of the Poor of the said Parish or Place to bring the said Insane Person before any Two Justices of the Peace of the said County, at such Time and Place as shall be appointed by the said Order; and the said Justices are hereby required to call to their Assistance a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, at the Charge of the said Parish or Place; and if upon View and Examination of the said poor Person, or from other Proof, the said Justices shall be satisfied that such poor Person is insane, the said Justices shall make Inquiry into the Place of last legal Settlement of such Insane Person; and it shall be lawful for them, if they shall so think fit, by an Order under their Hands and Seals, directed to the said Overseer of the Poor, according to the Form in the Schedule (5.) annexed to this Act, to cause the said poor Person to be conveyed to and placed in the County Lunatic Asylum established under the Directions of this or any former Act, for the County, or District of united Counties, for which or any of which they shall act, and if no such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been established, then to some public Hospital or some House duly licensed for the Reception of Insane Persons; and it shall be lawful for the said or any other Two Justices of the Peace of the said County, from Time to Time, as Occasion may require, to make Order on the Overseer of the

Justices to make Order for the Payment of the

Parish

Parish or Place wherein such last legal Settlement shall be adjudged to be, for the Payment of all reasonable Charges of conveying such poor Person to such County Lunatic Asylum, public Hospital, or Licensed House; and if such poor Person shall be conveyed to such County Lunatic Asylum or public Hospital, for the Payment of such weekly Sum to the Treasurer of such County Lunatic Asylum, or proper Officer of such public Hospital respectively, as shall be from Time to Time fixed upon by the Visitors of such County Lunatic Asylum, or as may be required by the Regulations of such public Hospital; or if such poor Person shall be conveyed to such Licensed House, for the Payment of such weekly or monthly Sum to the Keeper of such Licensed House, for the Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such poor Person, as such Keeper shall be willing to accept, and as shall appear to the said Justices to be a reasonable Charge in that Behalf; and the said last-mentioned Overseer shall not remove such poor Person from the said House, without an Order for that Purpose made by Two Justices of the Peace for the County in which such House shall be situated, after due Inquiry into the Circumstances of the Case, unless such Person shall have been discharged as cured: Provided always, that the Overseer or other Person so conveying such Insane Person to such County Lunatic Asylum, public Hospital, or Licensed House as aforesaid, shall and is hereby required to deliver a Certificate from the Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary so called to the Assistance of the Justices as aforesaid, which Certificate such Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary is hereby required to give, according to the Form in Schedule (6.) annexed to this Act, to the Superintendent of such County Lunatic Asylum or public Hospital, or Keeper of such Licensed House, as the Case may be.

Charges of conveying and maintaining such Person.

Insane Persons not to be removed without Justices Order, unless cured.

Overseer to deliver to the Keeper a Certificate of Examination.

XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That in every Case where Application shall be made to the Visitors of any County Lunatic Asylum, by any Relative or Friend of a Pauper Lunatic Patient confined therein, requiring that he may be delivered over to his Custody and Care, it shall and may be lawful for the Visitors aforesaid, if they shall think fit, upon the Undertaking of such Relative or Friend as aforesaid, to the Satisfaction of the Overseers of the Parish to which such Pauper Lunatic belongs, that he shall be no longer chargeable to such Parish, to discharge such Pauper Lunatic.

Visitors may deliver any Pauper to his Relatives or Friends upon their undertaking that he shall be no longer chargeable.

XL. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That a Medical Practitioner, to be duly authorized and appointed at the Charge of any Parish, shall, with the Consent of the Overseers or Guardians and Directors of the Poor of such Parish, have Liberty, Eight Times in every Year, between the Hours of Eight in the Morning and Six in the Evening, to visit and examine such Pauper Patient belonging to the said Parish as shall be confined in the public Hospital, County Lunatic Asylum, if any such County Asylum shall have been established, or in the House duly licensed for the Reception of Insane Persons, within which any Pauper Patient belonging to such Parish shall be confined, and to report to such Overseers, Guardians, or Directors of the Poor the Result of such Inspection and Examination.

Medical Practitioners appointed by Parishes may visit Eight Times in the Year Pauper Patients confined in any public Hospital, &c.

Where the legal Settlement of Lunatics cannot be discovered, Justices shall send them to the Asylum, or other Place of Confinement for the County where found.

XLI. And whereas it sometimes happens that the Place of legal Settlement of such Insane Persons cannot be ascertained; be it enacted, That in every such Case it shall be lawful for the said Justices, by their said Warrant, to direct such Person to be confined in the County Lunatic Asylum for the County, or District of Counties, within which such Person shall have been found, if any such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been established, and if no such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been established, in some public Hospital or House duly licensed for the Reception of Insane Persons as aforesaid, and to direct that the reasonable Charges for the Removal, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Person shall be satisfied and paid by the Treasurer of the County within which such Person shall be found, out of the County Rates, by Order of Two Justices to him directed for that Purpose.

If Settlement has not been ascertained, Two Justices may inquire respecting the same, and if satisfied may make Order for Payment of the Expences.

XLII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where the legal Settlement of any Insane Person, confined under any Order of any Two Justices at any County Lunatic Asylum, public Hospital, or any Licensed House, has not been ascertained, it shall and may be lawful for any Two Justices acting in and for the County in which such County Lunatic Asylum, public Hospital, or Licensed House is situate, at any Time to enquire into the last legal Settlement of such Insane Person; and if satisfactory Evidence can be obtained as to such Settlement, it shall and may be lawful for such Justices to make an Order upon the Overseers of the Parish or Township where such last legal Settlement of such Insane Person shall be adjudged to be, for the Repayment of the reasonable Charges of the Removing, Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Insane Person, incurred within Twelve Calendar Months previous to the Date of such Order, such Charges having been first proved to the Satisfaction of such Justices, and the Amount thereof being set forth in such Order; and it shall and may be lawful for the said or any other Two Justices of the Peace of the said County, to provide for the future Expences necessary for the Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care of such Insane Person, in the Manner as has been herein-before directed for the Two Justices before whom such Person was originally examined.

Justices of the County in which an Asylum is situate may make Orders upon Overseers of any other County jointly maintaining.

XLIII. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where Two Justices are empowered to make an Order on the Overseer or Overseers of any Parish, for the Payment of reasonable Charges of Conveyance of Pauper Lunatics, or for the Payment of weekly or monthly Sums for the Maintenance, Clothing, and Care of such poor Persons, it shall be lawful for Two Justices of the County in which such County Lunatic Asylum shall be situate to make such Order on the Overseer or Overseers of any other County which shall jointly maintain such Asylum.

If Persons are wandering about and deemed to be insane, although not

XLIV. And be it further enacted, That upon its being made known to any Justice of the Peace that any Person wandering about and at large within his Jurisdiction is deemed to be insane, it shall be lawful for such Justice, by an Order under his Hand and Seal, if he shall so think fit, to require the Constable or Churchwardens and Overseers

of the Poor of the Parish or Place where such Person is found, or some of them, to bring the said Person before any Two Justices of the Peace of the said County, at such Time and Place as shall be appointed by the said Order; and the said Justices are hereby required to call to their Assistance a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, at the Charge of the said Parish or Place; and if upon Examination of such Person deemed to be insane, or from other Proof, the said Justices shall be satisfied that such Person is so far disordered in his Senses that it is dangerous for such Person to be permitted to go abroad, the said Justices shall make Inquiry into the Circumstances and Place of last legal Settlement of such Insane Person, and it shall be lawful for such Justices to proceed in such Case in the same Manner as has herein-before been directed in the Case of a Person chargeable to any Parish within the Jurisdiction of the said Justices: Provided always, if it shall appear to the said or any other Two Justices, upon Inquiry, that such Person hath an Estate more than sufficient to maintain his or her Family, they shall, by Order under their Hands and Seals, direct the Overseers or Churchwardens of any Parish or Place where any Goods, Chattels, Lands, or Tenements of such Person shall be, to seize and sell so much of the Goods and Chattels, or receive so much of the Annual Rent of the Lands and Tenements of such Persons, as is necessary to pay the Charges of Removal, Maintenance, Clothing, Medicine, and Care of such Insane Person, accounting for the same at the next Quarter Sessions, such Charges having been first proved to the Satisfaction of such Justices, and the Amount thereof being set forth in such Order: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to restrain or prevent any Relation or Friend from taking such Insane Person under their own Care and Protection.

chargeable, Justices may proceed as in case of Persons chargeable, and make Order for Maintenance.

If the Estate of the Insane Person shall be sufficient, Overseers may levy for their Expences.

XLV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any Justice of the Peace shall refuse to make an Order for the Conveyance of any Insane Person to any County Lunatic Asylum, or Licensed House for the Reception of Insane Persons, on the Application of any Overseer of the Poor for such Purpose, he shall deliver to the said Overseer his Reasons in Writing for such Refusal.

Justice refusing to make Order shall give his Reasons in Writing.

XLVI. Provided also, and be it enacted, That if any Person shall feel aggrieved by any Order, or by any Refusal of an Order, of any Justice or Justices as aforesaid, such Person may appeal to the Justices of the Peace at the next Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the County where the Matter of Appeal shall have arisen, the Person so appealing having given to the Justice or Justices against whom such Appeal shall be made Ten Days Notice of his or her Intention to make such Appeal; and the said Justices at such Sessions are hereby authorized and required to hear and determine the Matter of such Appeal in a summary Way, and to make such Determination as they shall think proper; and every such Determination shall be final and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

Persons aggrieved may appeal to the Quarter Sessions.

XLVII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That every Justice who shall have issued an Order for the Conveyance of any Insane Person to

Justices to make Return to the Quarter Sessions

of the Cases brought before them.

to such County Lunatic Asylum, public Hospital, or Licensed House, or who shall have refused to issue such Order, on the Application of the Overseer of the Poor of any Parish, shall make a regular Return to the next General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the County in which such Parish shall be situate, of all such Cases brought before him, stating in all Cases of Refusal the Reasons thereof; and such Returns shall be regularly filed, and kept among the Records of such Court of General Quarter Sessions.

Sums directed to be paid by Overseers to be levied by Distress if Overseers shall neglect to pay.

XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That if the Overseer for the Time being of any Parish, upon whom any Order of Justices for the Payment of Money under the Provisions of this Act shall have been made, shall, for the Space of Twenty Days next after due Notice of such Order, refuse or neglect to pay the Sums so ordered to be paid, the said Sums, together with the Expences of recovering the same, shall be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Goods of the Overseer so refusing or neglecting, or any of them, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of any Two Justices of any their respective Counties.

Bastards of Lunatics to have the legal Settlement of the Mother.

XLIX. And be it further enacted, That no Bastard Child which shall be born of any Insane Person in any such County Lunatic Asylum shall hereby gain a Settlement in the Parish in which such County Lunatic Asylum shall be situated, but that the Place of the legal Settlement of any such Child so born as aforesaid shall be in the Parish where the Mother of such Child was last legally settled.

Lunatic Asylums not to be liable to the Reception of Lunatics chargeable to any Place which does not contribute to the Expence.

L. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to render any County Lunatic Asylum which may be provided under the Authority of this Act, for the Use of any County or united Counties, liable to the Reception of Insane Persons who may be chargeable to or apprehended in any City, Town, Precinct, Parish, Township, or Place situate within the Limits of such County or united Counties, but claiming Exemption and being exempt from contributing to the County Rate, unless such City, Town, Precinct, Parish, Township, or Place shall have agreed to unite, and shall thereby have contributed to the Expence of the same.

When any Asylum can accommodate more Lunatics, Visitors may order an Addition, whether Paupers or not, under certain Regulations.

LI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That whenever it shall appear to the Visitors of any County Lunatic Asylum, that the Space within such County Lunatic Asylum is more than sufficient for the Accommodation of Insane Persons, being Paupers, within the Districts for which such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been built, it shall and may be lawful for such Visitors to make Order for the Admission of so many Insane Patients as to them shall seem expedient, not being Pauper or Criminal, or being Paupers, but belonging to any other County, or to any Parish, Township, or Place within the County or Counties by which such County Lunatic Asylum shall have been provided, exempt from contributing to the County Rate of such County or Counties, and which shall not have united with such County or Counties, or contributed to the Expence of such Erection, under the Conditions and Regulations following; (that is

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to say,) that no such Insane Patient shall be admitted into such County Lunatic Asylum without an Order signed by One Visitor, directed to the Governor or Superintendent of such County Lunatic Asylum, nor without the Certificate, in Writing, of a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, certifying the Insanity of such Patient, nor without an Undertaking, signed by Two substantial Householders, or the Minister and One of the Churchwardens, or the Minister and One of the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish or Place to which such Insane Person shall belong, for the due Payment of the weekly Allowance and other Expences contingent upon the Maintenance and Care of such Insane Person during his or her Continuance in such County Lunatic Asylum, as well as for the Removal of such Insane Person from such County Lunatic Asylum within Three Days after due Notice given, in Writing, by the Governor or Superintendent of such County Lunatic Asylum, under the Penalty of Fifty Pounds, to be recovered and applied as other Penalties are directed to be recovered and applied by virtue of this Act: Provided always, that the weekly Provision for the Maintenance of such Patients, not being Paupers, shall be fixed by the Visitors at such Rate as shall in their Judgment be sufficient to cover every Expence liable to be incurred on account of each Patient.

Provision for Maintenance of Patients not being Paupers.

LII. And be it further enacted, That all Insane Persons committed to such County Lunatic Asylum shall be safely kept, and that no such Person shall be suffered to quit the said County Lunatic Asylum, or to be at large, until the major Part of the Visitors of such County Lunatic Asylum, present at a Meeting duly convened under the Authority of this Act, not being less than Three, shall order the Discharge of such Person, and shall signify the same in Writing under their Hands and Seals, or until any Two Visitors shall, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary usually attending in such County Lunatic Asylum, discharge from such County Lunatic Asylum any Lunatic confined therein, whose perfect Recovery may be certified by the said Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, by the like Order under their Hands and Seals; and that if any Officer, Servant, or Assistant in such County Lunatic Asylum shall, notwithstanding, through Neglect or Connivance, permit such Person in any Case to escape and be at large, without such Order as aforesaid, he or she shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay a Sum not exceeding Forty Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings, to be recovered by Distress and Sale of the Offenders Goods and Chattels, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of any Two Justices of the Peace acting for the County in which such County Lunatic Asylum shall be situated, which Warrant such Justices are hereby required to grant upon the Confession of the Party, or upon the Information of any Witness or Witnesses upon Oath, which Oath such Justices are hereby empowered to administer; and the said Penalty, after the Charges of recovering the same shall be deducted, shall be paid, one Moiety to the Informer, and the other Moiety to the Treasurer of the said County Lunatic Asylum, to be applied to the Use of the same.

Penalties on Persons having Lunatics in their Care suffering them to go at large without an Order from the Justices.

Expence of Removal of Paupers from Asylums.

LIII. And be it further enacted, That on the regular Discharge of any Pauper from any such County Lunatic Asylum, public Hospital, or Licensed House, the necessary Expences attending the Removal of such Pauper shall be borne by the Parish in which such Pauper shall be legally settled; and such Expences, being proved to the Satisfaction of and allowed by Two Justices of the Peace acting in and for the County in which such Parish, County Lunatic Asylum, public Hospital, or Licensed House shall be situated, shall be paid by the Overseers of the Poor of such Parish out of the Money raised therein for the Relief of the Poor.

Where Persons charged with Offences are insane, Justices to inquire into their Settlement, and make Order for their Maintenance.

LIV. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases where any Person shall be kept in Custody as an Insane Person by Order of any Court, or by His Majesty's Order subsequent thereunto, it shall and may be lawful for any Two Justices of the Peace of the County where such Person shall be so kept in Custody, to inquire into and ascertain, by the best legal Evidence that can be procured under the Circumstances of personal legal Disability of such Insane Person, the Place of the last legal Settlement, and the Circumstances of such Person; and if it shall not appear that he or she is possessed of sufficient Property which can be applied to his or her Maintenance, it shall and may be lawful for such Two Justices to make Order, under their Hands and Seals, upon such Parish where they adjudge him or her to be legally settled, to pay such weekly Sum for his or her Maintenance in such Place of Custody as One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State shall, by Writing under his Hand, from Time to Time direct; and where such Place of Settlement cannot be ascertained, such Order shall be made upon the Treasurer of the County where such Person shall have been apprehended; but if it shall appear that such Person is possessed of such sufficient Property as aforesaid, then such Justices shall order and direct the same to be applied to pay and satisfy the Expence of the Maintenance of such Person, in the Manner herein-before directed: Provided always, that the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish in which the Justices, or the major Part of them, shall adjudge any Insane Person to be settled, may appeal against such Order to the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the County where such Order shall be made, in like Manner and under like Restrictions and Regulations as against any Order of Removal, giving reasonable Notice thereof to the Clerk of the Peace of such County, who shall be Respondent in such Appeal; which Appeal the Justices of the Peace assembled at the said General Quarter Sessions are hereby authorized and empowered to hear and determine, in the same Manner as Appeals against Orders of Removal are now heard and determined.

Appeal.

Persons convicted of Offences becoming insane during Imprisonment, may be removed

LV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person while imprisoned in any Prison or other Place of Confinement in *England*, under any Sentence of Imprisonment or Transportation, shall become insane, and it shall be duly certified by Two Physicians or Surgeons that such Person is insane, it shall be lawful for One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State to direct, by Warrant under his Hand, that

that such Person shall be removed to such County Lunatic Asylum, or other proper Receptacle for Insane Persons, as His Majesty's said Principal Secretary of State may judge proper and appoint; and every such Person so removed shall remain under Confinement in such County Lunatic Asylum, or other proper Receptacle as aforesaid, or in any other County Lunatic Asylum, or other proper Receptacle, to which such Person may be removed by any like Order, until it shall be duly certified to One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, by Two Physicians or Surgeons, that such Person has become of sound Mind; whereupon His Majesty's said Secretary of State is hereby authorized, if such Person shall still remain subject to be continued in Custody, to issue his Warrant to the Keeper or other Person having the Care of any such County Lunatic Asylum, or other proper Receptacle as aforesaid, directing that such Person shall be removed back from thence to the Prison or other Place of Confinement from whence he shall have been taken; or if the Period of Imprisonment or Custody of such Person shall have expired, that he shall be discharged.

to a County Asylum by Order of the Secretary of State.

LVI. And be it further enacted, That the Visitors of each County Lunatic Asylum shall, within One Month previous to the First Day of *June* in every Year, prepare a Report of the Patients confined therein, or who shall have been confined therein within the Twelve Months preceding, according to the Form in Schedule No. 7. hereunto annexed; of which Report a Transcript shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the Visitors to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department; and the Clerk of such Visitors shall transmit a Copy of such Report to the Clerk of the Commissioners appointed under an Act of the present Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act to regulate the Care and Treatment of Insane Persons in* England, who shall enter the same in a Register to be kept by him for that Purpose, and the Names of all such Patients mentioned in such Report shall be by him entered in one general Alphabetical List, together with a Reference to the County Lunatic Asylum from whence such Reports shall have been respectively transmitted.

Visitors of County Asylums to prepare a Report yearly of the Patients confined therein, a Copy of which to be sent to the Secretary of State and to the Clerk of the Commissioners under 9 G. 4. c. 41.

LVII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he shall see fit, to employ any Medical or other Person to inspect and inquire into the State of any County Lunatic Asylum, and to report to him the Result of such Inspection and Inquiry; every such Medical or other Person so employed shall be paid such Sum of Money for his Attendance and Trouble as to His Majesty's said Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department shall seem an adequate and reasonable Allowance; and such Expence shall be defrayed in the same Manner and from the same Funds as the other Expences attending the County Lunatic Asylum so visited.

Secretary of State may employ any Person to inspect any County Asylum.

LVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to extend to the Royal Hospital of *Bethlehem*.

Not to extend to Bethlehem Hospital.

LIX. And

For Recovery of Penalties.

LIX. And be it further enacted, That all Complaints and Informations of and for Offences against this Act, or any Order to be made in pursuance thereof, except in Cases where the Manner of hearing and determining thereof is herein-before otherwise directed, shall and may be made before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County or Place wherein the Offence shall be committed, and such Justice or Justices is and are hereby authorized and empowered to take cognizance thereof, and to summon the Person or Persons complained of to appear before him or them, or upon Complaint upon Oath to issue his or their Warrant or Warrants for the Apprehension of any such Person or Persons, and upon appearing or not appearing of such Person or Persons pursuant to such Summons, or upon such Person or Persons being apprehended with such Warrant, to hear the Matter of every such Complaint and Information, by Examination of any Witness or Witnesses upon Oath, and to make such Determination thereon as such Justice or Justices shall think proper; and upon Conviction of any Person such Justice or Justices shall and may issue a Warrant, under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, for levying the Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture, by virtue of this Act imposed for such Offence, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person so convicted; and it shall and may be lawful for any such Justice or Justices to order any Person so convicted to be detained and kept in the Custody of any Constable or other Peace Officer until Return can be conveniently made to such Warrant of Distress, unless the said Offender shall give sufficient Security, to the Satisfaction of such Justice or Justices, for his Appearance before the said Justice or Justices on such Day as shall be appointed for the Return of such Warrant of Distress, such Day not being more than Seven Days from the Time of taking any such Security, and which Security the said Justice or Justices is and are hereby empowered to take by way of Recognizance or otherwise; but if upon the Return of such Warrant of Distress it shall appear that no sufficient Distress can be had thereupon to levy the said Penalty or Forfeiture, and such Costs and Charges as aforesaid, and the same shall not be forthwith paid, or in case it shall appear to the Satisfaction of such Justice, either by the Confession of the Offender or Offenders or otherwise, that the Offender or Offenders hath or have not sufficient Goods and Chattels whereon such Penalties, Forfeitures, Fines, Costs, and Charges may be levied, were a Warrant of Distress issued, such Justice shall not be required to issue such Warrant of Distress, and thereupon it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, and he or they is and are hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his or their Hand and Seal or Hands and Seals, to commit such Offender to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for any Term not exceeding Three Calendar Months, unless such Penalty or Forfeiture, and all reasonable Charges attending the Recovery thereof, shall be sooner paid and satisfied; and all such Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures, when recovered, shall, where the Application is not otherwise directed by this Act, be paid into the Hands of the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish where the Offence shall be committed; and the Overplus, if any, arising from such Distress and Sale, after Payment of the Penalty,

Application of Penalties.

and the Costs and Charges attending the same, shall be returned, upon Demand, to the Owner of the Goods and Chattels so distrained.

Appeal to Quarter Sessions.

LX. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That any Person or Persons thinking himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Order or Judgment made or given, or by the Order or Determination of any Justice or Justices of the Peace, in pursuance of this Act, may, within Four Calendar Months after such Order shall be made or given, complain to the Justices of the Peace at the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held in and for the County wherein the Offence shall be committed, the Person or Persons appealing having first given at least Fourteen Days clear Notice in Writing of such Appeal, and the Nature and Matter thereof, to the Person or Persons appealed against, and forthwith after such Notice entering into a Recognizance before some Justice of the said County, with Two sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal, and to abide the Order and Award of the said Court thereupon; and the said Justices, upon due Proof of such Notice and Recognizance having been given and entered into, shall, in a summary Way, hear and determine such Complaint at such General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the said County, or, if they think proper, adjourn the Hearing thereof until the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the said County, and if they see Cause may mitigate any Forfeiture or Fines, and may order any Money to be returned which shall have been levied in pursuance of such Order or Determination, and shall and may also award such further Satisfaction to be made to the Party injured, or such Costs to either of the Parties, as they shall judge reasonable and proper; and all such Determinations of the said Justices shall be final, binding, and conclusive upon all Parties, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

Rule for Interpretation of this Act.

LXI. And, in order to remove Doubts as to the Meaning of certain Words in this Act, be it enacted, That the Word "Justice" shall be deemed to mean Justice of the Peace; and that the Words "Treasurer of the County" shall be deemed to include any Officer in any County, Riding, Division of the County of *Lincoln*, Liberty, County of a City, County of a Town, Cinque Port, or Town Corporate, who has the Custody of any Funds assessed upon or raised in or belonging to any County, Riding, Division of the County of *Lincoln*, Liberty, County of a City, County of a Town, Cinque Port, or Town Corporate, in the Nature of County Rates, and applicable to the Purposes to which County Rates are applicable; that the Word "Visitor" shall be deemed to include any Justice of the Peace, or Subscriber to any Lunatic Asylum supported by voluntary Contributions, duly appointed according to the Provisions of this Act to superintend the providing, building, or Management of any County Lunatic Asylum; that the Words "Insane Person" shall be deemed to include any Lunatic or Idiot; and that the said Words "Justice," "Treasurer of the County," "Visitor," "Insane Person," and the Words "Clerk of the Peace," and the Words "Overseer of the Poor," and the Word "Churchwardens," shall each be deemed to include any Person acting as such, and any Number of Justices,

Treasurers, Visitors, Insane Persons, Clerks of the Peace, Overseers of the Poor, and Churchwardens, and the Word "Person" shall be deemed to include any Number of Persons; and the Meaning of the said Words shall not be restricted, although the same may be referred to in the singular Number and mascular Gender only; and that the Word "Apothecary" shall be deemed to mean a Person authorized to practise as such under an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for better regulating the Practice of Apothecaries in* England *and* Wales, and also an Act passed in the Sixth Year of King *George* the Fourth, to amend and explain the aforesaid Act of the Fifty-fifth Year of His late Majesty; and that the Word "County" shall be deemed to include any County, Riding, Division of the County of *Lincoln*, Liberty, County of a City, County of a Town, Cinque Port, or Town Corporate; and the Words "Parish or Place" shall be deemed to include any Township, Hamlet, Tithing, Vill, extra-parochial Place, or any Place maintaining its own Poor; and that the Words "General Quarter "Sessions" shall be deemed to include any General Annual Sessions of the Peace, or any Adjournment thereof; and the Words "County Rate" shall be deemed to include any Funds assessed upon or raised in or belonging to any County, Riding, Division of the County of *Lincoln*, Liberty, County of a City, County of a Town, Cinque Port, or Town Corporate, in the Nature of County Rates, and applicable to the Purposes to which County Rates are applicable; and that the Meaning of the said several Words shall not be restricted, although the same may be subsequently referred to in the singular Number only, unless it be otherwise specially provided, or there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction.

55G.3. c.194.

Commencement of Act.

LXII. And be it further enacted, That this Act, and the several Matters and Things herein contained, shall commence and take effect from and after the First Day of *August* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, and not sooner.

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SCHEDULES referred to in this Act.

No. 1.

FORM of AGREEMENT for uniting Counties, or Lunatic Asylums maintained by voluntary Contributions, [*as the Case may be,*] of and for the Purpose of providing a Lunatic Asylum, or House for the Reception of Insane Persons, pursuant to the Statute of the Year of King *George* the .

IT is agreed, this Day of by and between the Committees of Justices of the Peace severally appointed for the County [*or* Committee of Subscribers, *as the Case may be,*] of to treat for the uniting of the said Counties, or Lunatic Asylum, [*as the Case may be,*] for the Purposes of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act* [*here insert the Title of this Act*], that the said Counties, &c. [*as the Case may be*] shall from henceforth be united for the Purposes of the said Act, and adopt in all respects the Provisions, Rules, Orders, and Regulations, and comply with all the Requisites prescribed by the said Act for Counties [*as the Case may be*] uniting for those Purposes, and that a County Lunatic Asylum, or House for the Reception of Lunatics and other Insane Persons, with all necessary Buildings, Courts, Yards, and Outlets, shall be immediately provided at or near and properly fitted up and accommodated for the Purposes mentioned in the said Act; and that the necessary Expences attending upon the providing, building, fitting up, Repairs, and Maintenance of the said County Lunatic Asylum, shall be defrayed by the said County or Counties and Lunatic Asylum, so united, in the following Proportions; (that is to say,)

The County of Four Ninths of the said Expences.

The County of Three Ninths of the same.

The Lunatic Asylum of Two Ninths of the same [*or as the Case may be*].

And we do further agree, that the Committee of Visitors to superintend the Building, Erection, and Management of the said County Lunatic Asylum, shall be formed in the following Proportion: The Justices of the Peace for the said County of shall appoint , the Justices of the Peace for the County of shall appoint , and the Subscribers to the Lunatic Asylum of shall appoint .

And hereunto we, the undersigned Justices of the Peace, being the major Part of each of the Committees of Justices for the said several Counties, and we, the undersigned, being the major Part of the Committee of Subscribers to the Lunatic Asylum, do, on the Part and Behalf of the said Counties and Lunatic Asylum, set our Hands and Seals, this Day of in the Year .

No. 2.

FORM of MORTGAGE and CHARGE upon the COUNTY RATES, for securing the Money borrowed.

WE, of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and Chairman of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County, &c. of [*as the Case shall be*], holden at the Day of and Two other of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace acting for the said County, &c. and assembled in the said Court, in pursuance of the Powers to us given by an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act* [*here insert the Title of this Act*], do hereby in open Court mortgage and charge all the Rates to be raised within the said County, &c. [*as the Case may be*], under the Description of County Rates, with the Payment of the Sum of which of hath proposed and agreed to lend, and hath now actually advanced and paid towards defraying the Expences of purchasing Lands for building, repairing, &c. [*as the Case shall be*] the County Lunatic Asylum for the said County, &c. or the united Counties of, &c. [*as the Case may be*], and we do hereby confirm and establish the same unto the said his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, for securing the Repayment of the said Sum of and Interest for the same after the Rate of *per Centum per Annum*, and do order the Treasurer for such County, &c. or other Person [*as the Case shall be*], to pay the Interest of the said Sum of Half-yearly, as the same shall become due, until the Principal shall be discharged, pursuant to the Directions of the said Act.

No. 3.

FORM OF WARRANT. S. 30.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of in the County of to wit.

WE, and Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the County of hereby require you, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act* [*here insert the Title of this Act*], to make out a true List of all Insane Persons, being Paupers, within the Parish aforesaid, specifying the Name, Sex, and Age of each Insane Person, and whether such Insane Person be dangerous or otherwise, and for what Length of Time such Lunatics shall have been disordered in their Senses, and where confined, or how otherwise disposed of; and you shall on the Receipt of this Warrant prepare such List according to the Form hereunto

annexed, and verify the same on Oath before any One Justice of the Peace, and return the same, accompanied with a Certificate from a Physician, Surgeon, or licensed Apothecary, as to the State and Condition of each Insane Person, to the Clerk of the Peace or his Deputy; and on neglect to prepare such List, or to return the same within Fifteen Days to the Clerk of the Peace or his Deputy, with such Certificate as aforesaid, or to verify such List on Oath, you will for every such Offence be subject to a Fine not exceeding Ten Pounds. And you are hereby required to take notice, that it shall be lawful for you to defray the necessary Expences of Examination of such Insane Persons by a Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, out of the Poor Rates of the Parish.

Given under our Hands and Seals, this Day of in the Year of our Lord

A. B. (L. S.)
C. D. (L. S.)

No. 4.

FORM OF RETURN.

Geo. IV. c. .

A true List of all Lunatics and dangerous Idiots within the Parish or Precinct of in the County of specifying the Name, Sex, and Age of each Lunatic and Idiot, and whether such Lunatics be dangerous or otherwise, and for what Length of Time such Lunatics have been disordered in their Senses, and where confined, or how otherwise disposed of.

Name.	Age.	Sex.	Whether Lunatic or Idiot.	Whether dangerous or otherwise.	For what Length of Time disordered in his or her Senses.	Where confined, and since what Time.	At what Expence.

Sworn by Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of before me, One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace acting in and for the County of at this Day of in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and

A. B.

No. 5.

FORM OF WARRANT.

WHEREAS it appears to us, of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of having called to our Assistance a Physician, or Surgeon, or Apothecary, [*as the Case may be*], that chargeable to the Parish of in the said County, is lunatic, insane, or a dangerous Idiot [*as the Case may be*], you are hereby directed to cause the said to be conveyed to the County Lunatic Asylum established at , or to the House of situate at in the County of the said House being a House duly licensed for the Reception of Insane Persons.

Given under our Hands and Seals, this Day of .

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of .

No. 6.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE.

I DO hereby certify, That by the Directions of Justices of the Peace for the County of I have personally examined and that the said appears to be of Insane Mind.

Dated this Day of .

No. 7.

FORM OF ANNUAL REPORT.

No. in order of Admission.	Date of Admission of Patient, and by whose Authority sent.	Date of Certificate of Insanity, and by whom signed.	Christian and Surname, Sex and Age of Patient, and whether Single or Married.	Occupation or Profession.	Parish.	Whether found Lunatic by Inquisition and Date.	Signature of the Medical Attendant, and Date of last Visitation, and Observations.	When discharged.	Cured, relieved, or incurable.	Deaths.	Signature of Commissioners or Visitors, and Date of Visitation.	General Observations by Visitors on Condition of Patients and State of the Establishment.
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