

Anno Regni VICTORIÆ, Britanniarum Reginæ, Decimo Tertio.

'AT the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster*, the Eighteenth Day of *November*, *Anno Domini* 1847, in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady *VICTORIA*, by the Grace of God, Queen of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith: And from thence continued, by several Prorogations, to the Thirty-first Day of *January* 1850; being the Third Session of the Fifteenth Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.'

CAP. I.

An Act to amend an Act of the last Session, for making Provision for the Collection of County Cess in *Ireland*, and for the Remuneration of the Collectors thereof. [22d *February* 1850.]

'WHEREAS an Act was passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act to make Provision during the present Year, and to the End of the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, relating to the Collection of County Cess in* Ireland *and to the Remuneration of the Collectors thereof:* And whereas Collectors of County Cess, in entering into Security at the last Summer Assizes for the due Collection of such Cess, in several Cases were unable to avail themselves, or from Want of sufficient Notice or otherwise did not avail themselves, of the Provisions of the said recited Act in relation to modifying the Terms of such Securities in the Manner in the said Act provided: And whereas in certain Counties, Baronies, and Districts of *Ireland* great Difficulties have existed in collecting the full Amount of County Cess, and it is expedient, in such particular Cases where such Difficulties existed, and where the Collectors of County Cess appointed at or after the last Summer Assizes shall have entered into Securities as by Law theretofore required for the due Collection of all County Cess or public Money which they should respectively be required to collect, to extend to such Collectors the Benefit of the Provisions of the said recited Act for altering and modifying the Condition of the Securities so entered into by them, in like Manner as under the Provisions of the said Act:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords 12 & 13 Vict c. 36.

Power to Lord Lieutenant, by Order to be published in Dublin Gazette, to direct in what Counties and Baronies this Act shall be in force, and in such Places the Securities of Collectors of Cess given at or after the last Summer Assizes shall be deemed to be modified as if given under recited Act.

Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, by any Order to be published in the *Dublin Gazette*, from Time to Time, before the Conclusion of the Spring Assizes of this Year, to order and declare that in and for any County, or Barony or Baronies of a County, in *Ireland*, in such Order specified, the Provisions of this Act shall be in force; and a Copy of such Order shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Grand Jury of such respective County; and from the making of such Order thenceforth as to any such County, or Barony or Baronies of a County, in such Order specified, any Bond and Warrant of Attorney to confess Judgment to the Treasurer of such County for the due Collection of County Cess or public Money, given and entered into by any High Constable or Collector of County Cess within any such County or for any such Barony in such Order specified, at or after the last Summer Assizes for such County and before the passing of this Act, shall in all respects be deemed and construed and dealt with as if such Bond and Warrant of Attorney had been conditioned for such High Constable or Collector duly collecting and paying to the County Treasurer all such public Money required by him to be collected as he should receive, or as he without Neglect or wilful Default might have received; and any such last-mentioned Bond and Warrant, without any Stamp, shall be as valid and effectual for the Purposes of the said recited Act, and shall be deemed to be within the Meaning and subject to the Provisions of the said recited Act, as fully and effectually as if such Bond and Warrant had been conditioned in the Manner and Form prescribed in and been given under and pursuant to the Provisions of the said recited Act.

Three Members of Grand Jury at the Spring Assizes of this Year to examine Collector's Accounts, and to certify the Amount he might without Neglect or wilful Default have received.

II. And be it enacted, That in every County in which or in any Barony of which the Provisions of this Act shall be in force in manner aforesaid it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Grand Jury of such County, and he is hereby required, by Notice under his Hand, to be given to the High Constable or Collector of each Barony in which the Provisions of this Act shall be in force, Three Days before the swearing of the Grand Jury for the Spring Assizes of this Year, to require him to attend, with his Accounts, Books, and Vouchers, for the Examination of such Collector's Accounts, before Three Members of the Grand Jury at the ensuing Spring Assizes of this Year for such respective County; and each such High Constable or Collector of the same is hereby required to attend and produce his Accounts, Books, and Vouchers relating to the Collection of Grand Jury Cess in such respective Barony, before Three Members of the Grand Jury of such County at such Spring Assizes, who shall by the Grand Jury be appointed for such Purpose, and shall examine the same; and after due Examination of the same, and after Examination upon Oath of such High Constable or Collector and such other Person or Persons as such Grand Jurors may require to be examined relating to the same, which Oath any such Grand Juror shall be empowered to administer, such Three Grand Jurors shall determine and ascertain the Amount of the Sums which such High Constable or Collector shall have received, or without Neglect or wilful Default might have received and collected, of the Amount of the County Cess required to be collected by him since the then last Summer Assizes, and shall by their Certificate certify under their Hands the Amount thereof which without Neglect or wilful Default might have been so collected, and also the Amount actually collected, together with a List of the Persons and Lands from whom or which such Cess has not been collected, and also a List of the Persons and Lands, if any, from whom or which the same might have been so collected and has not been collected; and such Certificate and Lists shall by such Grand Jurors or by the Secretary of the Grand Jury be laid before the Grand Jury at the said Spring Assizes, who shall take the same into their Consideration; and if they shall pass a Resolution approving of such Certificate, or approving thereof subject to any Modification, and if such High Constable or Collector shall duly pay or shall have paid over to the respective Treasurer of the County the whole Amount which it shall appear by such Certificate, so approved or modified, might without Neglect or wilful Default have been collected, such High Constable or Collector in such Case shall receive and be paid his Poundage, as in the said recited Act provided, upon the Amount so collected and paid over to the Treasurer.

Certificate and Lists to be laid before Grand Jury, and if approved, and Money paid over, Collector to be entitled to Poundage.

III. And

III. And be it enacted, That in the Construction of this Act, unless the Subject or Context require another Construction, the Word "County" shall extend to a County of a City or County of a Town, and the Word "Barony" shall extend to any District for which any such Collector may be or may have been appointed under the Powers by Law given in that Behalf. Interpretation of Terms.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Parliament. Act may be amended, &c.

CAP. II.

An Act to restrain Party Processions in *Ireland*. [12th *March* 1850.]

'WHEREAS Numbers of Persons have been in the Practice of assembling and marching together in procession in *Ireland* in a Manner calculated to create and perpetuate Animosities between different Classes of Her Majesty's Subjects, and to endanger the public Peace:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act all Assemblies of Persons in *Ireland* who shall meet and parade together or join in procession, and who shall bear, wear, or have amongst them or any of them any Fire-arms or other offensive Weapons, or any Banner, Emblem, Flag, or Symbol, the Display whereof may be calculated or tend to provoke Animosity between different Classes of Her Majesty's Subjects, or who shall be accompanied by any Person or Persons playing Music or singing any Song which may be calculated or tend to provoke Animosity between different Classes of Her Majesty's Subjects, shall be unlawful Assemblies, and every Person present thereat shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and upon Conviction thereof shall be punished accordingly. What Processions shall be unlawful; Persons attending thereat guilty of a Misdemeanor.

II. And be it enacted, That any Justice or Justices of the Peace shall proceed, with such Assistance as in the Judgment of such Justice or Justices may be necessary, to the Place where any such Assembly of Persons hereby declared to be unlawful shall be held or take place, and such Justice or one of such Justices, or some other Person by their or his Order, shall then and there read or repeat aloud to the Persons so assembled a Command or Notice to disperse in the Words or to the Effect following; (that is to say,) Power to Justices to command such Assemblies or Processions to disperse.

'OUR Sovereign Lady the Queen doth charge and command all Persons being here assembled immediately to disperse and peaceably to depart upon pain of Fine or Imprisonment, according to the Statute passed in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of Queen *Victoria*, to restrain Party Processions in *Ireland*.

'GOD save the Queen.'

III. And be it enacted, That the Persons so met and assembled together shall forthwith, after such Command or Notice shall have been read or repeated aloud as aforesaid, disperse and depart; and if any One or more of the Persons so met or assembled together as aforesaid shall not disperse and depart within the Space of One Quarter of an Hour from the Time of such Command or Notice having been read or repeated aloud as aforesaid, such Person or Persons shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and it shall be lawful for the Justice or Justices who shall have read or repeated, or who shall have ordered to be read or repeated, such Command or Notice, or for any other Justice or Justices of the Peace, to seize, or by Order to any Constable or other Person to cause to be seized and detained, for the Use of Her Majesty, any such Fire-arms or other offensive Weapon, and any such Banner, Emblem, Flag, or Symbol, and any musical Instruments in the Possession of any such Persons, and to cause the Person or Persons so refusing or neglecting to disperse or depart to be apprehended, Penalty on Persons refusing to disperse after such Command, &c.