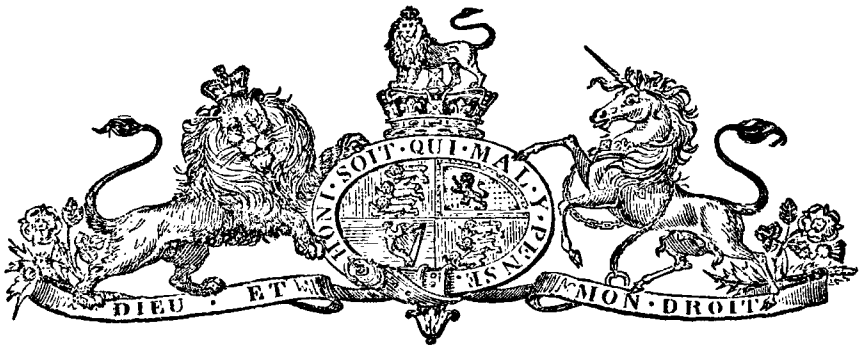


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CAP. XXXIX.

An Act to exempt Burgesses and Freemen in certain Cases from the Operation of an Act for the better assessing and collecting the Poor Rates and Highway Rates in respect of Small Tenements. [24th *July* 1851.]

WHEREAS by Section Thirty-two of the Act of the Session of Parliament holden in the Second and Third Years of King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Forty-five, it is provided, that every Person who would have been entitled to vote in the Election of a Member or Members to serve in any future Parliament for any City or Borough not included in the Schedule marked (A.) to that Act annexed, either as a Burgess or Freeman, or, in the City of *London*, as a Freeman and Liveryman, if that Act had not been passed, should be entitled to vote in such Election, provided such Person should be duly registered according to the Provisions therein-after contained; but that no Person should be so registered in any Year unless he should on the last Day of *July* in that Year be qualified in such Manner as would entitle him then to vote if such Day was the Day of Election, and that Act had not been passed: And whereas by Section Thirty-three of the said Act it is provided, that

2 & 3 W. 4. c. 45. s. 32.

s. 33.

that any Person then having a Right to vote in the Election for any City or Borough, except as therein mentioned, in virtue of any other Qualification than as a Burgess or Freeman or as a Freeman and Liveryman, or in the Case of a City or Town being a County of itself as a Freeholder or Burgage Tenant as therein-before mentioned, should retain such Right of voting so long as he should be qualified as an Elector according to the Usage and Custom of such City or Borough, or any Law then in force subject as in the said Act mentioned: And whereas it is expedient to amend the Act of the last Session of Parliament, Chapter Ninety-nine, so far as it may affect the Rights reserved by the said several Sections of the said Act of the Second and Third Years of King *William* the Fourth: Be it enacted, therefore, by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

13 & 14 Vict. c. 99.

Right of voting reserved by recited Provisions of 2 & 3 W. 4. c 45. to Persons then entitled not to be affected by the Change of Rating under 13 & 14 Vict. c. 99.

I. Where any Person to whom a Right of voting was retained or reserved by the recited Provisions of the said Act of the Second and Third Years of King *William* the Fourth is or shall be the Occupier of any such Tenement as in the said Act of the last Session of Parliament mentioned, and the Owner of such Tenement has been or shall be rated to the Relief of the Poor instead of the Occupier thereof, and such Owner shall have paid all Money due on account of any Rate or Rates in respect of such Tenement, or such Occupier shall have tendered the Amount thereof in the Manner prescribed by such Act, such Occupier shall be entitled, not only to the Municipal Privileges and Franchises reserved to him by such Act, but also to all such Right of voting at Elections of a Member or Members to serve in Parliament for any City or Borough, and all other Rights and Privileges, as such Occupier would have been entitled to under the recited Provisions of the said Act of the Second and Third Years of King *William* the Fourth, and the other Provisions of such Act, and any Acts amending the same, relating to the Right of voting so retained or reserved, if such Occupier had been himself rated in respect of such Tenement, and had duly paid or tendered the Rate or Rates to which he was liable in consequence of such Rating.

Construction of the Words "Tenement,"

II. That the Word "Tenement" in the said recited Act of the last Session of Parliament shall be construed to mean any House, Cottage, Apartment, or Building, and Land in the same Parish held with the same or any of them, but shall not include any other Land or corporeal Hereditament.

and "Rates for the Relief of the Poor."

III. That the Words "Rates for the Relief of the Poor" in the said recited Act of last Session of Parliament shall be construed to mean

mean Rates for the Relief of the Poor and for other Purposes chargeable thereon according to Law; and that the Owners of any Tenements who shall be liable to be rated in respect of such Tenements to any such Rate by virtue of the same Act shall also be liable to be rated to any Rate or Rates authorized to be assessed and levied by the Second Section of the Act of the Session of Parliament holden in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Years of Her present Majesty, Chapter Sixty-five.

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