any Local Act, as if a Treaty of Reciprocity had been concluded and was then in force between Her Majesty and such Foreign Power.

II. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by Order in Council, from Time to Time to revoke any Order in Council previously made under the Authority of this Act. Order in Council may be revoked.

CAP. XLVIII.

An Act for the Amendment of the Law respecting the Property of Lunatics. [30th *June* 1852.]

'WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the First Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, intituled *An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to Property belonging to Infants, Femes Covert, Idiots, Lunatics, and Persons of unsound Mind*, a Power is given of ordering any Land of any Lunatic to be sold, or charged and incumbered by way of Mortgage, or otherwise disposed of, for the Purpose of raising Money for the Payment of Debts, and other Purposes therein mentioned, and Provision is thereby made as to the surplus Monies; and it is expedient that such Powers should be enlarged, and that the several Provisions of the said Act relative thereto, and to the Application of the Money raised, and the Quality of the surplus Monies, should be extended accordingly:' 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, as follows:— 11 G. 4. & 1 W. 4. c. 65. s. 28.

I. The aforesaid Power of selling, or charging and incumbering by way of Mortgage, or otherwise disposing of the Land of any Lunatic, and the aforesaid Provisions relating thereto, or to the Application and Quality of the Monies to be raised, and every of them, is and are hereby extended so as to be applicable to and to include any Estate or Interest of any Lunatic in Land or Stock, in reversion, remainder, or expectancy, and so as to authorize the Payment out of the Monies to be raised of any Expenditure made or Debt incurred after Inquisition found, for the Maintenance or otherwise for the Benefit of the Lunatic, and the Payment of or Provision for the Expenses of his future Maintenance, and the Costs of such Sales, Charges, and Incumbrances, and other Dispositions as are hereby or by the said recited Act authorized. Powers and Provisions of the recited Act extended to other Cases and Purposes.

II. In case of a Charge or Mortgage being made by Order upon an Interest in contingency, or in reversion, remainder, or expectancy, for the Expenses of future Maintenance, the Order may direct the same to be payable and paid, either contingently, if the Interest charged be a contingent one, or upon the happening of the Event if the Interest be depending on an Event which must happen, and either in a gross Sum or in annual or other periodical Sums, and at such Times, in such Manner, and either with or without Interest, as shall be deemed expedient, and any Charge already made which would have been valid if made after this Act shall be and is hereby declared to be valid. Modes in which future Maintenance may be charged.

III. The Powers so given by the said Act as aforesaid, and the Powers herein-before given, may be exercised by and are hereby given to the Person or Persons for the Time being intrusted by virtue of the Queen's Sign Manual with the Care and Commitment of the Custody of the Persons and Estates of Persons found idiot, lunatic, and of unsound Mind; and the foregoing Provisions shall, as to Jurisdiction, and also as to the Interpretation of Expressions, and in all other respects, so far as may be consistent with the Meaning of this Act, be deemed to be incorporated with the said Act. By whom Jurisdiction to be exercised. The foregoing Provisions to be incorporated with the recited Act.

IV. 'And whereas by an Act of Parliament passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled *An Act for the Regulation of the Care and Treatment of Lunatics*, it was enacted, that when any Person should have been received or taken charge of as a Lunatic upon an Order and Certificates, or an Order and Certificate, in pursuance of the Provisions of the said Act, or of any Act thereby repealed, and should either have been detained as a Lunatic for the Twelve Months then last past, or should have been 8 & 9 Vict. c. 100. s. 95.

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'the Subject of a Report by the Commissioners in pursuance of the Provision therein 'contained, it should be lawful for the Lord Chancellor to direct that One of the Masters in 'Lunacy should, and thereupon One of the said Masters should, personally examine such 'Person, and should take such Evidence and call for such Information as to such Master should 'seem necessary to satisfy him whether such Person was a Lunatic, and should report 'thereon to the Lord Chancellor, and such Report should be filed with the Secretary of Luna- 'tics; and it should be lawful for the Lord Chancellor from Time to Time to make Orders 'for the Appointment of a Guardian, or otherwise for the Protection, Care, and Management 'of the Person of any Person who should by any such Report as last aforesaid be found to be 'a Lunatic, and such Guardian should have the same Powers and Authorities as a Committee 'of the Person of a Lunatic found such by Inquisition then had, and also to make Orders for 'the Appointment of a Receiver, or otherwise for the Protection, Care, and Management of the 'Estate of such Lunatic, and such Receiver should have the same Powers and Authorities as 'a Receiver of the Estate of a Lunatic found such by Inquisition then had, and also to make 'Orders for the Application of the Income of such Lunatic, or a sufficient Part thereof, for his 'Maintenance and Support, and in Payment of the Costs, Charges, and Expenses attending 'the Protection, Care, and Management of the Person and Estate of such Lunatic, and also as 'to the Investment or other Application for the Purpose of Accumulation of the Overplus, 'if any, of such Income, for the Use of such Lunatic, as to the Lord Chancellor should from 'Time to Time in each Case seem fit: And whereas Doubts have arisen whether the last- 'mentioned Act extends to authorize a Receiver appointed as aforesaid to receive Dividends 'on Government or Bank Stock or Annuities standing in the Lunatic's Name, and it is 'expedient that these Doubts should be removed:' Be it therefore enacted as follows:

Power to receive Dividends of Stock in Lunatic's Name.

Every Receiver of the Estate of such Lunatic as aforesaid, already appointed, or who may be hereafter appointed under the Powers in the said last-recited Act, shall have full Power to demand, and to receive and to give effectual Receipts for, the Dividends due or to become due of any Stock belonging to the Lunatic.

Indemnity to Bank of England, &c.

V. This Act shall be and is hereby declared to be a full and complete Indemnity and Discharge to the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, and all other Companies and Societies, and their Officers and Servants, for all Acts and Things done or permitted to be done pursuant thereto, and such Acts and Things shall not be questioned or impeached in any Court of Law or Equity to their Prejudice or Detriment.

Receiver may, under Order, make Repairs, Leases, &c.

VI. The Person or Persons for the Time being intrusted as aforesaid may, by Order upon a Petition, direct the Receiver to make such Repairs and Improvements of or upon the Land of the Lunatic, or to make to the Tenant executing the same such Allowance in respect thereof by and out of the Lunatic's Income, and also to make and execute such Contracts, Agreements, Leases, or Under-leases of or concerning the same, as may seem expedient for the Preservation or Increase of the Income; and every Act done according to such Direction as aforesaid shall be valid and binding to all Intents and upon all Persons whomsoever.

Interpretation of Words.

VII. In the Construction of those Provisions of this Act which refer to the secondly-mentioned Act, the Words "Land," "Stock," and "Dividends" respectively shall be interpreted as is provided for the like Words in the first-mentioned Act.

CAP. XLIX.

An Act to extend the Provisions of the several Acts passed for the Conveyance of Sites for Schools. [30th *June* 1852.]

4 & 5 Vict. c. 38. 7 & 8 Vict. c. 37.

'WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Session of Parliament held in the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to afford 'further Facilities for the Conveyance and Endowment of Sites for Schools:* And whereas an 'Act was passed in the Session of Parliament held in the Seventh and Eighth Years of 'the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to secure the Terms on which Grants*

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