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An Act to indemnify certain Persons who have formed a voluntary Association for the Disposal of Works of Utility and Ornament by Chance or otherwise as Prizes. [2d *August* 1858.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Eighth Year of Her present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act to indemnify* 7 & 8 Vict.
Persons connected with Art Unions and others against c. 109.
certain Penalties, which Act was continued by another Act passed 8 & 9 Vict.
in the Ninth Year of Her present Majesty's Reign: And whereas c. 57.
another Act was passed in the Tenth Year of Her present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for legalizing Art Unions:* And whereas 9 & 10 Vict.
certain Parties have formed themselves into a voluntary Association c. 48.
for the Purpose of encouraging the Application of High Art to the Production of Works of Utility and Ornament, with reference to the said last-recited Act, by means of the Purchase of Works of *British* and Foreign Manufacture, to be afterwards allotted and distributed by Chance or otherwise as Prizes among the several Members, Subscribers, or Contributors forming Part of such said Association: And whereas Doubts have been entertained whether the said Association is a lawful Association within the Sense and Meaning of the said last-recited Act: And whereas it is expedient that all Members

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of and Subscribers and Contributors to the voluntary Association, and all Persons acting under the Authority or on the Behalf of the same, shall be discharged and protected from any Pains and Penalties to which they may have rendered themselves liable or may render themselves liable by reason of any such their Proceedings as aforesaid: 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:

The said Association, and the Members, Subscribers, and Contributors thereof, discharged from Suits and Penalties.

I. The said Association now constituted, and the Members of and Subscribers and Contributors to the said Association, and all Persons who may have acted or may hereafter act under the Authority or on the Behalf of the same, shall be freed and discharged from all Pains and Penalties, Suits, Prosecutions, and Liabilities to which by Law they are or may be liable as having been concerned in illegal Lotteries, Little Goes, or unlawful Games, by reason of anything done or which may have been or may be done by them or any of them herebefore or before the Thirty-first Day of *August* in the Year next ensuing the passing of this Act, in furtherance of the Allotment or Distribution by Chance, Scheme, or otherwise of Articles of the Description hereinbefore set forth, selected, allotted, and distributed as aforesaid.

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