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CAP. LXXXIX.

An Act to amend an Act of the last Session, for the Regulation of the Care and Treatment of Lunatics, and for the Provision, Maintenance, and Regulation of Lunatic Asylums, in *Scotland*.

[2d *August* 1858.]

WHEREAS by an Act of the Fifty-fifth Year of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to regulate Madhouses in* Scotland, Sheriffs of Counties are authorized to grant Licences for the Reception and Confinement of Lunatics, and have been in use to license separate Portions or Wards of Poorhouses for the Reception of Pauper Lunatics: And whereas by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act for the Regulation of the Care and Treatment of Lunatics, and for the Provision, Maintenance, and Regulation of Lunatic Asylums, in* Scotland, District Asylums are appointed to be erected for the Reception of Lunatics; and it is expedient that Provision should be made for the Custody of such Pauper Lunatics till such District Asylums shall be ready for their Reception: 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:

55 G. 3. c. 69.

20 & 21 Vict. c. 71.

As to Reception, &c. of Pauper Lunatics in Poorhouses.

I. It shall be lawful for the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for *Scotland* to grant to the Governors or Keepers of Poorhouses Licences for the Reception of Pauper Lunatics in Wards set apart for that Purpose, or in detached or separate Portions of such Poorhouses, and from Time to Time to renew or withdraw such Licences; and it shall also be lawful for Sheriffs of Counties to grant Orders for the Reception and Confinement of such Lunatics in the Wards or Portions of Poorhouses so set apart and licensed, subject always to such Rules, Regulations, and Restrictions as may be framed by the said General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for the Reception and Treatment of Patients in such Wards or Portions of Poorhouses consistently with the Provisions of the said last-recited Act in regard to private Asylums.

Term of Act.

II. This Act shall continue in force for Five Years from and after the First Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and no longer.

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