'*Mayers* to exercise the Office of Priest, and the said Reverend *Joseph Shepherd Mayers* 'hath from that Time exercised the said Office in the Island of *Barbadoes:* And whereas 'it is apprehended that divers Persons having been ordained by such Bishop or Bishops as 'aforesaid or their Successors have at Times exercised their respective Offices in *British* 'Colonies: And whereas Doubts are entertained respecting the Validity of the aforesaid 'Act passed by the Legislature of *Barbadoes*, and of the Marriages solemnized and other 'Acts performed by the said Reverend *Joseph Shepherd Mayers* under Authority of the 'said Act, or by other Persons so ordained as aforesaid, and it is advisable to remove such 'Doubts, and to define the Power of Colonial Legislatures in this respect:' Be it hereby 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:

Colonial Legislatures may authorize Exercise of Clerical Functions by Persons ordained by Bishops consecrated under 26 G. 3. c. 84.

1. It shall be lawful for the Legislature of any of Her Majesty's Possessions abroad, by any Law or Laws to be by them passed, to authorize any Persons admitted to the Order of Priest or Deacon by any of such Bishops as are mentioned in the first-recited Act to exercise their respective Offices in such Possession, anything in the aforesaid Act of Parliament to the contrary notwithstanding, and all Laws heretofore passed by any such Legislature for that Purpose shall be and the same are hereby declared to be valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes.

Acts heretofore performed by such Persons to be valid.

2. All Acts heretofore performed in any *British* Colony by any Person having been admitted to the Office of Priest or Deacon by any of such Bishops as aforesaid or of their Successors shall be as valid and effectual at Law for all Purposes whatever as if such Person had been so admitted by a Bishop or Bishops of the United Church of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

CAP. CXXII.

An Act to enable Her Majesty in Council to make Alterations in the Circuits of the Judges. [28th *July* 1863.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient to make Provision for such Alterations in the Circuits of 'Her Majesty's Judges as may from Time to Time appear to be necessary for the 'better Despatch of Assize Business in *England* and *Wales*:' Be it 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:

Power to Her Majesty in Council to alter Circuits of Judges.

'**1.** Her Majesty, by and with the Advice of Her Most Honourable Privy Council, shall have Power from Time to Time to order and direct that the Circuits of Her Majesty's Judges in *England* and *Wales*, or any of such Circuits, shall be altered, by taking away from any Circuit any County or Counties, or any Part or Parts of any County or Counties, and annexing the same to any other Circuit or Circuits; and every such Alteration shall take effect upon and from the Date of the Order in Council in and by which the same shall be ordered and directed, or from such other Time as shall be provided in such Order.

Powers in Sect. 3. of 3 & 4 Will. 4. c. 71. ex-

2. All the Powers and Provisions contained in the Third Section of the Act of the Session of Parliament holden in the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Seventy-one, shall extend, so far as the same are

tended to this Act.

are applicable, to all Orders in Council to be made and to all Acts to be done by virtue of this Act, and may be used and applied for any of the Purposes herein mentioned.

Power to Treasury, with Sanction of Lord Chief Justices and Lord Chief Baron, to alter Salaries of Clerks of Assize on Alteration of Circuits.

3. It shall be lawful for the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, and they are hereby authorized and required, by and with the Sanction of the Lord Chief Justices and the Lord Chief Baron, to make such Alterations in the Amount of the Salaries of any of the Officers mentioned in Schedule (B.) to the Act of the Session of Parliament holden in the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Years of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter Seventy-three, as may appear to the said Lords Commissioners, by and with such Sanction as aforesaid, to be reasonable and proper upon and in consequence of any Alteration to be made in any of the Circuits by virtue of this Act; and all such new or altered Salaries shall be deemed to have been fixed and appointed under and subject to the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Act.

Power to alter Numbers of Revising Barristers to be appointed within Circuits affected by Alterations.

4. 'And whereas by the Twenty-eighth Section of the Act of the Session of Parliament 'holden in the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of Her Majesty, Chapter Eighteen, it 'is enacted that, except as is therein-after provided, no greater Number of Barristers shall 'be appointed in any Year to revise the Lists of Voters in the Election of Members to serve 'in Parliament for the several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, and Places within the several 'Circuits in *England* and *Wales* than as therein provided:' Be it enacted, That upon any Alteration or Alterations being made in any of the said Circuits by Her Majesty in Council by virtue of this Act, it shall also be lawful for Her Majesty, by and with the Advice of Her Privy Council, to order and direct that the Number of Revising Barristers to be appointed for the several Counties, Cities, Boroughs, and Places within any Circuit or Circuits affected by such Alteration or Alterations as aforesaid, shall be increased or diminished as to Her Majesty, by and with such Advice as aforesaid, may seem meet, anything in the last-recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding; provided always, that the present total Number of Revising Barristers shall not be augmented otherwise than in accordance with the Provisions of the Twenty-ninth Section of the said last-mentioned Act.

CAP. CXXIII.

An Act to amend the Law relating to District Parochial Churches in *Ireland*.

[28th *July* 1863.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Law respecting District Parochial Churches 'and Chapels erected in *Ireland* by Funds provided by way of Endowment:' 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:

Power to Churchwardens of District Parochial Churches erected under Provisions of 14 & 15 Vict. c. 17. to levy Pew Rents.

1. That whenever a District Parochial Church or Chapel shall be erected within the Boundaries of any City or Corporate Town in *Ireland*, or within the Distance of Three Miles from the Boundaries of such City or Corporate Town, under the Provisions of the Statute passed in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her Majesty, intituled *An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Erection and Endowment of Churches and Chapels and Perpetual Curacies in* Ireland, it shall be lawful for the Churchwardens of such District Parish, when duly chosen and appointed according to Law, to contract for, collect, and levy and recover by all proper Means and Proceedings an annual Rent or Rents for the Use of any Pews or Sittings in such Church or Chapel from such Persons as shall be willing to take and occupy the same, so that no such Proceeding shall abate by reason of the Death, Removal, or going out of Office of any such Churchwardens, but may be commenced,