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An Act to continue certain Patent Commissions until the Exhibition of the Commissions revoking them. [26th *August* 1846.]

WHEREAS sundry Persons have been and are in the Exercise of judicial and other Offices and Employments within Her Majesty's Colonies and Possessions beyond the Seas, under and by virtue of Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, determinable at the Pleasure of Her Majesty: And whereas by Law such Offices and Employments cease and determine immediately upon the Revocation of such Letters Patent, or the Issue of new Letters Patent for the Grant of the same Offices and Employments respectively: And whereas, by reason of the Remoteness of divers of such Colonies and Possessions, it hath been found necessary that the Judges and others holding and exercising such Offices and Employments under such Letters Patent as aforesaid should continue in the Exercise of the Powers and Authorities thereby vested in them after the Revocation thereof or the Issue of such new Letters Patent, and until such Revocation or Issue of such new Letters Patent should be signified and made known within the said Colonies and Possessions, in the same Manner as if the same had not determined: Be it enacted

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All Powers, &c. vested in Persons acting by virtue of Letters Patent in the Colonies continued till Grant of new Letters Patent shall have been made known in the Colonies to which they relate.

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, That all the Powers and Authorities which at any Time before the passing of this Act shall have been vested, or which shall hereafter become vested, in any Person exercising or who shall have exercised any Office or Employment during Her Majesty's Pleasure, within Her Majesty's Colonies and Possessions beyond the Seas, by virtue of any Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, shall be deemed to have continued and to continue in full force and virtue until new Letters Patent under the Great Seal aforesaid shall have been granted for the Revocation of such Letters Patent or the Grant of such Office or Employment, and until the Grant of such new Letters Patent shall have been signified and made known within the Colony or Possession of Her Majesty beyond the Seas to which the same relates, so that the same, if granted after the passing of this Act, be so signified and made known within the said Colony or Possession within Six Calendar Months after the Grant thereof, unless such Colony or Possession be to the Eastward of *Bengal* in the *East Indies*, or to the Westward of *Cape Horn* in *South America*, and in such Case within Nine Calendar Months, and that all Things which shall have been done in the meantime shall be as good and as effectual in Law, and the several Persons exercising or who shall have exercised the said Offices and Employments shall be deemed to have continued and to continue in the meantime entitled to all the Privileges and Emoluments of the same, as fully as if such Letters Patent had not been vacated or made void.

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