

ANNO VICÉSIMO SEXTO & VICESIMO SEPTIMO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

CAP. CXXI.

*An Act to establish the Validity of Acts performed in Her Majesty's Possessions abroad by certain Clergymen ordained in Foreign Parts, and to extend the Powers of Colonial Legislatures with respect to such Clergymen.*

[28th July 1863.]

Whereas by the Third Section of an Act passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His late Majesty King George the Third, Chapter Eighty-four, intituled *An Act to empower the Archbishop of Canterbury or the Archbishop of York for the Time being to consecrate to the Office of a Bishop Persons being Subjects or Citizens of Countries out of His Majesty's Dominions*, it was enacted that no Person or Persons admitted to the Order of Deacon or Priest by any Bishop or Bishops so consecrated, or by the Successor or Successors of any Bishop or Bishops so consecrated, should be thereby enabled to exercise his or their respective Office or Offices within His Majesty's Dominions: And whereas by an Act passed by the Legislature of Barbadoes in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter Twenty, intituled *An Act to enable the Reverend Joseph Shepherd Mayers to exercise his Office as a Clergyman within this Island*, it was enacted, that it should be lawful for the said Reverend Joseph Shepherd 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:

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.

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

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.

Acts heretofore performed by such Persons to be valid.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Notes in Circulation and Specie in Reserve at the Bank of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Hongkong, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th December, 1863.

*Account of the average amount of Notes in Circulation at the Bank of the Oriental Bank Corporation in Hongkong for the month ending 30th November, 1863, rendered in accordance with the terms of Her Majesty's Royal Charter of Incorporation.*

NOTES ISSUED,.....\$1,093,937.  
SPECIE IN RESERVE,.....\$ 400,000.

WM. LAMOND,  
Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, 1st December, 1863.

I hereby certify that I this day inspected the Books and Treasure of the Oriental Bank Corporation, and found the necessary amount of Specie as required by the Royal Charter.

A. F. ALVES,  
Accountant.

Victoria, Hongkong, 4th December, 1863.

FRED. FORTH,  
Colonial Treasurer.

No. 134.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Notes in Circulation and Specie in Reserve at the Branch of the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA, in Hongkong, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th December, 1863.

*Account of the average amount of Notes in Circulation at the Branch of the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China in Hongkong for the month ending 30th November, 1863, rendered in accordance with the terms of Her Majesty's Royal Charter of Incorporation.*

AVERAGE AMOUNT OF NOTES IN CIRCULATION, . . . \$777,410.  
BULLION IN RESERVE, . . . . . \$300,000.

WALTER ORMISTON,  
Manager.

Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China, Hongkong, 1st December, 1863.

I hereby certify that I this day inspected the Books and Treasure of the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China, and found the necessary amount of Specie as required by the Royal Charter.

A. F. ALVES,  
Accountant.

Victoria, Hongkong, 4th December, 1863.

FRED. FORTH,  
Colonial Treasurer.

No. 135.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Notes in Circulation and Specie in Reserve at the Branch of the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA, in Hongkong, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th December, 1863.

*Account of the average amount of Notes in Circulation at the Branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, in Hongkong for the month ending 30th November, 1863, rendered in accordance with the terms of Her Majesty's Royal Charter of Incorporation.*

NOTES IN ISSUE, . . . . . \$413,267.  
SPECIE IN RESERVE, . . . . . \$150,000.

W. KAYE,  
Acting Manager.

Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, Hongkong, 2nd December, 1863.

I hereby certify that I this day inspected the Books and Treasure of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, and found the necessary amount of Specie as required by the Royal Charter.

A. F. ALVES,  
Accountant.

Victoria, Hongkong, 4th December, 1863.

FRED. FORTH,  
Colonial Treasurer.

No. 136.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Notes in Circulation and Specie in Reserve at the AGRA AND UNITED SERVICE BANK, LIMITED, in Hongkong, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th December, 1863.