



CHAPTER clix.

An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under the Provisional Order (Marriages) Act 1905. A.D. 1912.

[13th December 1912.]

WHEREAS the Right Honourable Reginald McKenna one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State has made the Provisional Order set out in the schedule hereunto annexed under the provisions of the Provisional Order (Marriages) Act 1905: 5 Edw. 7.
c. 23.

And whereas it is requisite that the said Order should be confirmed by Parliament:

Be it therefore enacted by the King'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. The Order as set out in the schedule hereunto annexed is hereby confirmed. Order in
schedule
confirmed.

2. This Act may be cited as the Provisional Order (Marriages) Confirmation Act 1912. Short title.

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SCHEDULE.

WHEREAS power is given to a Secretary of State by the Provisional Order (Marriages) Act 1905 in the case of marriages solemnized in England which appear to him to be invalid or of doubtful validity by reason of some informality to make a Provisional Order for the purpose of removing the invalidity or doubt:

And whereas the parish church of St. Hilda Middlesbrough in the County and Diocese of York is a place where marriages of persons resident within the parish of Middlesbrough may legally be solemnized:

And whereas divers marriages have been solemnized in the said church of St. Hilda Middlesbrough of persons resident in isolated portions of the new parish of St. John the Evangelist Middlesbrough and of the parish of West Acklam:

And whereas the church of St. Matthew in the parish of Marstow in the County and Diocese of Hereford was built and was duly consecrated for the performance of divine service on the second day of June One thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven and the church so built was intended to be substituted for the ancient parish church of St. Martin Marstow but it does not appear that any deed of substitution in accordance with the provisions of 8 & 9 Vict. c. 70 or 34 & 35 Vict. c. 90 was executed until the ninth day of May One thousand nine hundred and twelve or that the said church of St. Matthew had ever been licensed for the solemnization of marriages:

And whereas divers marriages had nevertheless been solemnized in the said church before the ninth day of May One thousand nine hundred and twelve:

And whereas the new church of the Holy Cross in the parish of Whorlton in Cleveland in the County and Diocese of York was built and was duly consecrated for the performance of divine service on the fourth day of October One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven and the church so built was intended to be substituted for the ancient parish church of Whorlton in Cleveland but it does not appear that any deed of substitution in accordance with the provisions of 8 & 9 Vict. c. 70 or 34 & 35 Vict. c. 90 was executed until the ninth day of May One thousand nine hundred and twelve or that the said new church of the Holy Cross had ever been licensed for the solemnization of marriages:

And whereas divers marriages had nevertheless been solemnized in the said church before the ninth day of May One thousand nine hundred and twelve:

And whereas the new church of St. Peter in the parish of Ayot St. Peter in the County of Hertford in the Diocese of St. Alban's was built and was duly consecrated for the performance of divine service on the twenty-sixth day of October One thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and the church so built was intended to be substituted for the ancient parish church of Ayot St. Peter but it does not appear that any deed of substitution in accordance with the provisions of 8 & 9 Vict. c. 70 or 34 & 35 Vict. c. 90 was executed until the sixth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twelve or that the said new church of St. Peter had ever been licensed for the solemnization of marriages: A.D. 1912.

And whereas divers marriages had nevertheless been solemnized in the said church before the sixth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twelve:

And whereas the church of St. David Talybont in the parish of Llanfihangel Geneu'r Glyn in the County of Cardigan in the Diocese of St. David's was duly licensed for the performance of divine service on the sixth day of November One thousand nine hundred and nine but it does not appear that the said church was licensed for the solemnization of marriages till the third day of August One thousand nine hundred and twelve:

And whereas divers marriages had nevertheless been solemnized in the said church before the third day of August one thousand nine hundred and twelve:

And whereas it is expedient in the circumstances aforesaid to remove all doubts touching the validity of the marriages solemnized in the said churches of St. Hilda Middlesbrough St. Matthew Marstow the Holy Cross Whorlton in Cleveland Ayot St. Peter and St. David Talybont:

Now therefore I the Right Honourable Reginald McKenna one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State in pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the said Provisional Order (Marriages) Act 1905 do hereby order that on and after the date of the Act of Parliament confirming this Order the following provisions shall have effect:—

1. All banns of matrimony and marriages of persons resident without the parish of Middlesbrough published and solemnized before the date of this Order in the parish church of St. Hilda Middlesbrough in the County and Diocese of York and all banns of matrimony and marriages published and solemnized before the ninth day of May One thousand nine hundred and twelve in the church of St. Matthew in the parish of Marstow in the County and Diocese of Hereford and in the new church of the Holy Cross in the parish of Whorlton in Cleveland in the County and Diocese of York and all banns of

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A.D. 1912. matrimony and marriages published and solemnized before the sixth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twelve in the new church of St. Peter in the parish of Ayot St. Peter in the County of Hertford in the Diocese of St. Alban's and all banns of matrimony and marriages published and solemnized before the third day of August One thousand nine hundred and twelve in the church of St. David Talybont in the parish of Llanfihangel Geneu'r Glyn in the County of Cardigan in the Diocese of St. David's shall be and shall be deemed to have been as valid as if they had been published and solemnized in a church in which such banns might be published and marriages solemnized lawfully.

2. A minister who has solemnized any marriage referred to in the first paragraph of this Order shall not be liable to any proceedings for penalties whatsoever or to any ecclesiastical censure by reason of having solemnized the marriages.

3. The registers of the marriages so solemnized or copies of the registers shall be received in all courts as evidence of those marriages in the same manner as registers of marriages duly solemnized or copies thereof are by law receivable in evidence.

Given under my hand this fourteenth day of October One thousand nine hundred and twelve.

(Signed) R. McKENNA.

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