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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 21

#### MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

##### PART 4

###### ABOLITION OF COMMON LAW LIBEL OFFENCES ETC

###### *Criminal Libel Act 1819 (60 Geo. 3 & 1 Geo. 4 c. 8)*

- 65 (1) In section 1 of the Criminal Libel Act 1819 (power of court to make order for seizure of copies of libel)—
- (a) after “In every case” insert “ in Northern Ireland ”, and
  - (b) omit from “, or any seditious libel” to “means”.
- (2) This paragraph does not extend to Scotland.

###### *Libel Act 1843 (c. 96)*

- 66 In section 7 of the Libel Act 1843 (evidence to rebut prima facie case of publication by agent)—
- (a) after “Whensoever” insert “ in Northern Ireland ”, and
  - (b) before “libel” insert “ blasphemous ”.

###### *Newspaper Libel and Registration Act 1881 (c. 60)*

- 67 In section 4 of the Newspaper Libel and Registration Act 1881 (inquiry by court of summary jurisdiction as to libel being for public benefit etc)—
- (a) after “jurisdiction” insert “ in Northern Ireland ”,
  - (b) before “libel” (in first place it occurs) insert “ blasphemous ”, and
  - (c) omit from “as to the publication” to “malice, and”.

###### *Law of Libel Amendment Act 1888 (c. 64)*

- 68 In section 8 of the Law of Libel Amendment Act 1888 (order of Judge required for prosecution of newspaper proprietor etc)—
- (a) after “commenced” insert “ in Northern Ireland ”, and
  - (b) before “libel” insert “ blasphemous ”.

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