

J. R. LONGDEN.

An Ordinance to amend "The Lunacy Ordinance, 1873."

Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Ordinance No. 1 of 1873, intituled "An Ordinance relating to the care and custody of persons of unsound mind and their Estates": It is hereby enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Preamble.

1. The 15th section of Ordinance No. 1 of 1873 is hereby repealed.

Repealing clause.

2. From and after the passing of this Ordinance, every order made by a District Court under the provisions of "The Lunacy Ordinance, 1873," shall be subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court.

Right of appeal from order of District Court given—

3. Such appeal may be prosecuted by, or at the instance of (1) the person suspected or adjudged to be of unsound mind, or (2) of any relative or friend of his, or (3) of the Queen's Advocate or of any Deputy Queen's Advocate, or (4) of the Inspector-General of Police, or (5) of the Principal Civil Medical Officer, or (6) of the Inspector-General of Prisons, or (7) of any medical practitioner who shall have certified or testified to the state of mind of the person suspected or adjudged to be of unsound mind.

to person affected thereby, to his relatives, to the Queen's Advocate, Inspector-General of Police, Principal Civil Medical Officer, or any Medical Practitioner concerned.

Appeal to follow rules for appeals from interlocutory orders.

4. The time for, the rules of, and the practice relating to, the filing and forwarding of an appeal from an interlocutory order of the District Court shall apply to appeals prosecuted under this enactment.

Duty of Supreme and District Courts in case of appeal.

5. The Supreme Court shall take cognizance of such appeal and deal with the same as an appeal from an interlocutory order of the District Court, and make such order thereon as the Supreme Court shall seem fit. And it shall be the duty of the District Court to conform to and execute such order.

Ordinance to be read as one with Lunacy Ordinance, 1873.

6. This Ordinance and the Ordinance No. 1 of 1873 shall be read and construed as one Ordinance.

Passed in Council the Eleventh day of October, One thousand Eight hundred and Eighty-two.

J. A. SWETTENHAM,
Clerk to the Council.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor the Sixteenth day of October, one thousand Eight hundred and Eighty-two.

J. DOUGLAS,
Colonial Secretary.