An Act to amend the Acts relating to Marriages in the Province of South Australia, by extending certain provisions thereof to persons professing with the Society of Friends, called Quakers.

[Assented to, 3rd November, 1864.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fifth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled “An Act for regulating Marriages in the Province of South Australia;” and by another Act passed in the sixteenth year of the reign of Her said Majesty, intituled “An Act to amend the Law of Marriage in the Province of South Australia,” it was enacted that the Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers, might continue to contract and solemnize marriage according to the usages of the said Society, and every such marriage was thereby declared and confirmed good in law, provided that the parties to the said marriage were both of the said Society; provided also that notice to the Deputy-Registrar should have been given, and the Deputy-Registrar’s certificate should have issued in manner therein provided: And whereas it is expedient to extend and amend the said recited provisions in manner hereinafter mentioned—Be it therefore Enacted, by the Governor-in-Chief of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. Marriages may be contracted and solemnized according to the usages of the said Society of Friends in the Province of South Australia, not only in cases provided for by the said recited provisions, but also in cases where one only of the parties or where neither of the parties to the marriage shall be a member of the said Society.

2. All Marriages according to the usages of the Society of Friends authorized in certain cases.
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2. All the enactments now in force, whether contained in the said recited Acts or in any other Act or Acts of Parliament, and relating to marriages contracted and solemnized according to the usages of the said Society in the said Province, and to the registration thereof, so far as the same are not inconsistent with this Act, shall extend and be applicable to every marriage contracted and solemnized by the authority of this Act in the said Province, as fully and effectually as if the same enactments were repeated herein.

In the name and on behalf of the Queen I hereby assent to this Act.

D. DALY, Governor.