



Ecclesiastical Courts Jurisdiction Act 1860

1860 CHAPTER 32

An Act to abolish the Jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Courts in *Ireland* in Cases of Defamation, and in *England* and *Ireland* in certain Cases of Brawling. [3d July 1860]

WHEREAS it is expedient to abolish the Jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Courts of *England* and *Ireland* over Persons not in Holy Orders in Suits for Brawling, and to abolish the Jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Courts of *Ireland* in Suits for Defamation, as hath already been done with respect to the like Jurisdiction in *England*:

Be it therefore 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: