



Prisons (Scotland) Act 1877

1877 CHAPTER 53

PART II

SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

As to Miscellaneous Matters

61 Repeal of section 50 of 20 & 21 Vict. c.71, and constitution of District Boards of Lunacy

Section fifty of the Act passed in the twentieth and twenty-first years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter seventy-one, is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof it is enacted as follows:

The District Boards of Lunacy elected in terms of the repealed section shall continue in office until the election of district boards elected in terms hereof.

There shall be chosen for each of the districts into which Scotland is or may hereafter be divided for the purposes and in terms of the last-recited Act and any Act amending the same, a board to be called the District Board of Lunacy, the number of the members whereof shall be fixed by the General Board of Lunacy in Scotland, who shall also fix the number of the members of each district board to be elected by the commissioners of supply and magistrates of burghs respectively in each county within such district, and such number shall be proportioned, as nearly as may be, to the valuation of the property situated in each such county and burgh. The members of such district board shall be elected annually by the commissioners of supply and magistrates of burghs at such time as shall be determined by the said General Board of Lunacy; and any vacancy occurring by the death or resignation of any member shall be filled up by the same body by whom the member so vacating was elected. Such district boards shall meet at such times and places as shall be fixed by the General Board of Lunacy from time to time, and shall have power to adjourn and also to appoint a chairman, who, in case of an equality of votes, shall have a casting vote, and committees of their number, to whom may be delegated all or any part of the powers by the said recited Act committed to such district boards. Three shall be a quorum of a district board.