

Marriages of
Quakers excepted
from Act.
1891, No. 16, sec. 4

33. The provisions of this Act relating to the solemnisation of marriages in the presence of an Officiating Minister shall not extend to any marriage solemnised between parties one or both of whom are members of, or in profession with, the religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers; but every such marriage shall be as legal and valid as if duly solemnised under this Act, if such marriage was, when celebrated, a valid marriage according to the usages of the Quakers: Provided that notice of the intended marriage is given as required by this Act, and the Registrar's certificate prior to such marriage is duly issued.

Such marriages to
be registered.

A certificate of every such marriage duly signed by both the parties to the marriage, and by two persons witnessing the marriage shall, within one month next following the celebration thereof, be transmitted to the Registrar-General by the person celebrating or by one of the persons witnessing the marriage, or by the husband, stating the date and place of such marriage, and the name, designation, and usual residence of each of those parties, according to the form, as nearly as may be, in Schedule F to this Act.

If such certificate be not transmitted as herein required, the husband shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding twenty pounds, which may be recovered in a summary manner before any Stipendiary Magistrate or two Justices of the Peace.

Marriages may be
solemnised at the
office of Registrar.
1880, No. 21, sec. 33

34. Any person who shall object to be married under the provisions of this Act in the presence of any Officiating Minister may, after compliance with the provisions of this Act in all other particulars, contract and solemnise marriage at the office of and before some Registrar, in the presence of two witnesses, with open doors and between the hours aforesaid:

Provided that, in the presence of the Registrar and witnesses as aforesaid, each of the persons shall declare,—

“I do solemnly declare that I know not of any lawful impediment why I, A. B., may not be joined in matrimony to C. D.”

And each of the persons shall say to the other,—

“I CALL upon these persons here present to witness that I A. B., do take thee, C. D., to be my lawful wedded wife [or husband].”

Every marriage solemnised before a Registrar as aforesaid shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to be a marriage solemnised by such Registrar.

Registration of Marriages.

Particulars to be
registered may be
inquired.
Ibid, sec. 34

35. It shall be lawful for the Officiating Minister or Registrar by whom any marriage is solemnised according to the provisions of this Act to ask from the persons to be married the several particulars required to be registered concerning such marriage.

Marriages to be
registered in
register-book.
Ibid, sec. 35

36. Every Officiating Minister and Registrar by whom a marriage is solemnised shall forthwith register in a book to be kept for that purpose, and called “The Marriage Register-Book,” the several particulars relating to such marriage, according to the form in Schedule F to this Act: