said Building for the Purposes of the Courts: Provided always, that the necessary Arrangements shall be made so that the Sittings of the said Courts shall not interfere with the Business of the County, City, Borough, or Town usually transacted in such Town Hall, Court House, or other public Building, or with any Purposes for which such Town Hall, Court House, or other public Building may be used by virtue of any Local Act in that Behalf: Provided also, that this Enactment shall not apply to any City, Borough, or Town in which a Building hath previously to the passing of this Act been erected for the Purposes of holding the Courts under the said Act and for the Business connected with such Courts, nor shall anything in this Act contained be held, deemed, or taken to prejudice, affect, or otherwise interfere with any Lease, Contract, Agreement, or Engagement already entered into for the leasing, Erection, hiring, or Occupation of any Building for the Purposes of holding such Courts therein and transacting therein the Business relating to such Courts.

XXV. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in this Session of Parliament. Act may be amended, &c.

CAP. LXII.

An Act to alter and extend an Act passed in the Eleventh Year of King *George* the Fourth, for amending and consolidating the Laws relating to the Pay of the Royal Navy. [14th *August* 1850.]

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Fourth, intituled *An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Pay of the Royal Navy*, it is enacted, that all Months mentioned in the said Act shall be deemed to be Calendar Months, except only in the Computation of Wages and of the Time for which Officers shall be allowed to draw their Pay, which shall be cast and computed by the Lunar Month of Twenty-eight Days, according to the Custom of the Navy: And whereas it is deemed expedient that it should not be compulsory to compute such Wages by the Lunar Month of Twenty-eight Days, and is also deemed expedient otherwise to alter and extend the Provisions of the said Act:' 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, That, notwithstanding anything in the recited Act contained, or any Custom to the contrary, it shall be lawful to cast and compute Naval Pay and Wages by the Day or for such other Period of Time as the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the said United Kingdom, for the Time being, may at any Time or Times fix and determine. 11 G. 4. c. 20. Naval Pay and Wages may be computed by the Day or any other Period of Time.

II. And be it enacted, That, notwithstanding anything in the recited Act contained, it shall be lawful for Clerks who have passed their Examination for Paymasters and Pursers, under such Regulations, Limitations, and Restrictions as have now or may at any Time or Times hereafter be established by the said Lord High Admiral or the said Commissioners for the Time being, to draw a Bill of Exchange or a Set of Bills of the same Tenor and Date, upon the Accountant General of the Navy, for the net personal Pay which shall be due to them, at such Times, and for such Periods of Time, either at the Expiration of every Three Calendar Months or otherwise, as the said Lord High Admiral or the said Commissioners shall at any Time or Times appoint in that Behalf. Clerks who have passed Examination, &c. may draw Bills for personal Pay at Times to be appointed, notwithstanding anything in recited Act.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed during the present Session of Parliament. Act may be amended, &c.

CAP. LXIII.

An Act to provide for the Redemption of an Annuity of Ten thousand Pounds payable to the "Equivalent Company." [14th *August* 1850.]

5 G. 1. c. 20.

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifth Year of King *George* the First, intituled '*An Act for settling certain yearly Funds payable out of the Revenue of* Scotland, *to* 'satisfy public Debts *in* Scotland, *and other Uses mentioned in the Treaty of Union, and* 'to discharge the Equivalents *claimed on behalf of* Scotland *in the Terms of the same Treaty,* 'and for obviating all future Disputes, Charges, and Expenses *concerning those Equivalents,* 'it was enacted, that every Year the full Sum of Ten thousand Pounds should be One 'yearly Fund for the several Purposes in such Act expressed, and should continue payable 'for ever, subject nevertheless to Redemption by Parliament according to the Proviso 'therein-after contained, and that the said yearly Fund, during the Continuance thereof, 'should be charged upon and be paid out of the Monies arisen and to arise from Time to 'Time of or for any the Customs Duties, Excises, or Revenues therein mentioned; and it 'was further enacted, that it should be lawful for the King's Majesty to incorporate all the 'Proprietors of certain Debts and Sums of Money therein mentioned, making Two hundred 'and forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence Halfpenny, and all 'Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, which at any Time or Times thereafter should have 'or be entitled to any Part, Share, or Interest of or in the said Capital Sums amounting to 'Two hundred and forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence 'Halfpenny, so long as they respectively should have any Part, Share, or Interest therein, 'to be One Body Politic and Corporate by such Name as the King's Majesty should think 'most proper, and that the said Corporation should have perpetual Succession (subject 'nevertheless to such Redemption as therein-after appointed in that Behalf); and it was by 'the said Act enacted, that the said Capital Sums amounting to Two hundred and forty-'eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence Halfpenny should be and be 'deemed to be the Capital or Joint Stock of the said Corporation, and that the Shares and 'Interests of the particular Members of and in the same from Time to Time should be 'assignable, transferable, and devisable in such Manner as the King's Majesty by the said 'Letters Patent should prescribe and appoint, until the Redemption thereof; and it was 'thereby enacted, that from and after the granting such Letters Patent the said Fund of 'Ten thousand Pounds *per Annum* should be paid to the same Corporation, or to their 'Cashier for the Time being for their Use, and to be divided and distributed to and 'amongst the several Members thereof according and in proportion to their respective 'Shares of and in the said Capital or Joint Stock of the same; and it was thereby pro-'vided, that at any Time, upon Payment by the Parliament of *Great Britain* of the said 'Capital Sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and 'Nine-pence Halfpenny, without any Deduction or Abatement whatsoever to be made out 'of the same or any Part thereof, and of all Arrears of the said yearly Fund of Ten thou-'sand Pounds then due, computing the same quarterly till the End of the then next 'preceding Quarter of a Year, and from thenceforth by the Day until the Day of such 'Payment made, (if any such Arrears were,) then and from thenceforth the said Fund of 'Ten thousand Pounds *per Annum* should cease and determine; and by the said Act 'Provision is made for Payment to the said Corporation, until the said annual Sum of Ten 'thousand Pounds should be redeemed, of the further annual Sum of Six hundred Pounds, 'for and towards the Charge of Management and other necessary Charges in receiving and 'distributing of the said Annuity of Ten thousand Pounds payable to the said Corporation 'and the several Members thereof: And whereas in pursuance of the said Act His said 'Majesty King *George* the First did, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, bearing Date 'at *Westminster* the Twenty-first Day of *November* in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of 'His said Majesty, grant and appoint that all Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, who 'then were Proprietors of the Debts and Sums of Money stated to amount to the said 'Principal Sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds 'and Nine-pence Halfpenny, and who thereafter should have or be entitled to any Part, 'Share, or Interest of or in the said Capital Sum, should be One Body Politic and Cor-

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'porate by the Name of the Equivalent Company, and by that Name should have perpetual 'Succession, subject to such Redemption as in the said Act and therein appointed in that 'Behalf; and in such Letters Patent it is provided, that upon Payment by the Parliament 'of *Great Britain* of the said Capital Sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand five 'hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence Halfpenny, and of all Arrears of the said yearly 'Fund of Ten thousand Pounds, then and from thenceforth the Grant now in recital, and 'the Corporation thereby created, should cease, determine, and be utterly void: And 'whereas it is desirable that the said yearly Fund should be redeemed, and that the said 'Equivalent Company should be enabled to receive the said Sum of Two hundred and 'forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence Halfpenny, and to 'distribute the same among the Persons entitled to Shares in their Capital or Joint Stock, 'according to their respective Rights and Interests:' 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, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, out of the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to cause to be paid into the Bank of *England*, to the Credit of the said Equivalent Company, the Sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence Halfpenny, and all Arrears (if any) of the said yearly Fund of Ten thousand Pounds until the Day of such Payment into the said Bank, which Payment shall be deemed a due Payment by Parliament of the said Capital Sum and Arrears, according to the Provisions of the said recited Act; and upon such Payment as aforesaid, the said Fund of Ten thousand Pounds, and the said further annual Sum of Six hundred Pounds, shall cease to be payable.

Redemption Money to be paid into the Bank of England.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Equivalent Company shall, during Twelve Calendar Months next after Payment as aforesaid of the said Sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence Halfpenny, and of such Arrears (if any) as aforesaid, continue to be a Body Politic and Corporate for the Purpose of winding-up the Affairs of the said Company, realizing the Property and Effects thereof, discharging its Liabilities, and dividing and distributing the Money to be paid into the said Bank as aforesaid, and other the clear Property and Effects of the said Company or the Produce thereof, to and amongst the several Members thereof, according and in proportion to their respective Shares of and in the Capital or Joint Stock of the said Company; and the Persons who at the Time of such Payment as aforesaid into the said Bank are Members of the said Corporation, and the Persons who at such Time are the Directors of the said Corporation, or the Survivors of them, shall during the said Period continue such Members and Directors respectively, notwithstanding the Receipt by any of them of their Shares or Proportions of or in the said Sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand five hundred and fifty Pounds and Nine-pence Halfpenny, and the said Company and such Members and Directors respectively shall, during the Period and for the Purposes aforesaid, have, exercise, and enjoy all such Powers and Privileges as by and under the said recited Act and Letters Patent are conferred on such Company and the Directors and other Members thereof, anything in the said recited Act or Letters Patent to the contrary notwithstanding.

Equivalent Company to continue a Corporation for the Purpose of Distribution of Redemption Money.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present Session of Parliament.

Act may be amended, &c.

CAP. LXIV.

An Act to provide for more effectually maintaining, repairing, improving, and rebuilding Bridges in Cities and Boroughs. [14th *August* 1850.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient that all Bridges in any City or Borough, which such City 'or Borough, and not the County in which such City or Borough is situate, is legally 'bound to maintain and repair, should be under the sole Management and Control of the