CAP. LI.

An Act to permit the Use of Rice in the Distillation of Spirits. [14th *July* 1856.]

'WHEREAS under and by virtue of the Laws now in force relating to the Distillation of Spirits licensed Distillers may lawfully make or brew Worts or Wash and distil Spirits from Malt, Corn, or Grain, or any Mixture thereof, or from Potatoes only, or from Mangel Wurzel only, or from Sugar, Molasses, or Treacle, or any Mixture thereof, either alone, or with Malt, Corn, or Grain: And whereas it is expedient to permit the Distillation of Spirits from Rice, or from any Mixture of all or any of the Articles or Materials aforesaid, with or without Rice:' 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, as follows:

Power to distil Spirits from Rice, &c.

I. From and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for any licensed Distiller in any Part of the United Kingdom to make or brew Worts or Wash and to distil Spirits from Rice, or from any of the several Articles or Materials aforesaid, or from any Mixture of all or any of the same, with or without Rice, anything contained in any former Act or Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

How Duty to be charged in respect of Sugar used with other Materials.

II. Provided always, That where Sugar mixed with all or any of the other Materials aforesaid shall be used in the Distillation of Spirits, the Distiller shall be chargeable and charged with the Duty on Spirits in respect of such Sugar in the Manner and after the Rate or Proportion specified in the Third Section of the Act passed in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter One hundred, with regard to Sugar used with any Mixture of Grain, Molasses, and Treacle.

CAP. LII.

An Act to suspend the making of Lists and the Ballots for the Militia of the United Kingdom. [14th *July* 1856.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient to suspend for a further Period the Ballots for the Militia of the United Kingdom:' 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, as follows:

Meetings relating to the Militia of the United Kingdom and Ballots for such Militia suspended.

I. All General and Subdivision Meetings relating to the Militia of the United Kingdom, and all Proceedings relating to procuring any Returns, or preparing or making out Lists of such Militia or any Part thereof, for the Purpose of a Ballot, or relating to balloting for any Militiamen or supplying any Vacancies in such Militia by Ballot, as are or may be directed or authorized by or under any Act of Parliament now in force, shall cease and remain suspended until the First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

Proceedings may be had during such Suspension by Order in Council.

II. Provided always, that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty by any Order in Council to direct that any Proceedings shall be had at any Time before the Expiration of such Period as aforesaid, either for the giving of Notices and making Returns and preparing Lists, and also for the proceeding to ballot and enrol Men for the filling up Vacancies in the Militia, as Her Majesty shall deem expedient; and upon the issuing of any such Order all such Proceedings shall be had for carrying into execution all the Provisions of the Acts in force in the United Kingdom relating to the giving Notices for and Returns for Lists, and for the balloting and enrolling of Men to supply any Vacancies in the Militia, and holding General and Subdivision Meetings for such Purpose, at such Times respectively as shall be expressed in any such Order in Council, or by any Directions given in pursuance thereof to Lord Lieutenants, or Deputy Lieutenants acting for Lord Lieutenants, of the several Counties, Shires, Cities, and Places in the United Kingdom; and all the Provisions of the several Acts in force in the United Kingdom relating to the Militia shall