from Time to Time fix and determine, and such Salary shall grow due and be paid in the Manner and out of the Fund mentioned in Section Forty-eight of the Act of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Eighty-seven.

CAP. XVI.

An Act to confirm the Appointment of *Henry Pendock St. George Tucker* Esquire as One of the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court at *Bombay*, and to establish the Validity of certain Proceedings therein. [13th *May* 1864.]

'WHEREAS *Henry Pendock St. George Tucker* Esquire, of the *Bombay* Civil Service, was on the Twenty-seventh Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three appointed by Her Majesty to be One of Her Majesty's Judges of the High Court of Judicature at *Bombay*: And whereas Doubts have arisen whether the said *Henry Pendock St. George Tucker* Esquire was properly qualified for the Appointment of Judge of a High Court in *India*, under the Provisions of an Act for establishing High Courts of Judicature in *India*, passed in the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty: And whereas it is expedient that his Appointment should be confirmed:' 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:

24 & 25 Vict. c. 104.

Appointment confirmed.

1. The Appointment of the said *Henry Pendock St. George Tucker* shall be and is hereby confirmed.

All Acts, &c. done by H. P. St. G. Tucker valid.

2. All Acts, Proceedings, and Judgments heretofore done, taken, or given by the said *Henry Pendock St. George Tucker* in the Capacity or assumed Capacity of Judge of the said High Court, and not set aside by any competent Authority before the Publication of this Act in the Government Gazette at *Bombay*, shall be deemed to be and to have been as valid and effectual for all Purposes whatever as if the said *Henry Pendock St. George Tucker* had at the Time of such Acts, Proceedings, or Judgments respectively been legally and sufficiently authorized to officiate as such Judge.

No Action to be brought in consequence of such Acts.

3. No Action, Prosecution, or other Proceeding shall be brought or taken in any Court against the said *Henry Pendock St. George Tucker* by reason of the Illegality or Invalidity of any Act, Proceeding, or Judgment herein-before declared to be valid and effectual.

CAP. XVII.

An Act for the Abolition of Vestry Cess in *Ireland*, and for other Purposes relating thereto. [13th *May* 1864.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient to abolish Vestry Cess in *Ireland*, and to make other Provisions in relation thereto:' Be it 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:

No Vestry in Ireland to levy Rate after Commencement of Act.

1. From and after the passing of this Act it shall not be lawful for any Vestry called or holden in or for any Parish, Union, Chapelry, or Place in *Ireland* to make or levy any compulsory Rate or Assessment for any Purpose whatsoever.

Powers of Vestry with respect to deserted Children to cease.

2. From and after the passing of this Act it shall not be lawful for any Vestry in *Ireland* to appoint Overseers of deserted Children; and all other Powers now exercised by Vestries with respect to the Charge, Maintenance, and Education of deserted Children shall wholly cease and determine.

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3. From and after the passing of this Act the several Acts in force for the Relief of the destitute Poor in *Ireland* shall be and are hereby declared to be applicable to all Cases of destitute deserted Children which are now relieved or relievable under the Acts relating to Parish Vestries, or under the Grand Jury Act, or any other Act for the Relief of deserted Children.

The Acts for Relief of destitute Poor in Ireland to apply to destitute deserted Children.

4. Every Vestry Clerk, Cess Collector, Beadle, Engine Keeper, and other Officer of any Parish in the City of *Dublin* who shall be deprived of any Salary, Fees, or Emoluments by the Operation of this Act, shall be entitled to have an adequate Compensation, by way of a Sum of Money in gross, or Annuity, at the Option of and to be assessed by the Town Council of *Dublin*, regard being had to the Manner of his Appointment to the said Office, and his Term or Interest therein, Length of Service, and all other Circumstances of the Case; and every Person entitled to such Compensation shall, within Three Months from the passing of this Act, unless in the meantime an Agreement shall have been come to between him and the said Town Council as to the Amount of such Compensation, deliver to the Town Clerk a Statement under his Hand setting forth how long he shall have held his said Office, and the Amount received by him and his Predecessor in Office every Year during the Period of Five Years then last past, or such lesser Period as he shall have held his said Office next before the passing of this Act, on account of Salary, Fees, and Emoluments, and containing a Declaration that same is a true Statement, and also setting forth the Sum claimed by him as such Compensation; and the said Town Clerk shall lay such Statement before the Council, who shall take the same into consideration and determine thereon; and if the Council shall not determine on such Claim within Six Months after the same shall have been delivered to the Town Clerk, such Claim shall be considered as admitted; and if the Council shall so require, the Person preferring such Claim, upon receiving Notice in Writing signed by the Town Clerk, shall attend at any Meeting of the said Council or any Committee thereof, and shall then and there answer all such Questions as shall be asked by any Member of the said Council or Committee touching the said Claim, and shall produce all Vouchers, Books, and Papers in his Possession, Custody, or Power relating thereto; and immediately upon a Determination being made by the said Council or Committee touching such Claim, the Person preferring such Claim shall be informed of the Particulars of such Determination by Notice in Writing under the Hand of the Town Clerk; and in case the Person preferring such Claim shall think himself aggrieved by the Determination of the Council thereon, it shall be lawful for him to appeal to the Recorder at the Quarter Sessions for the City of *Dublin* next after the Receipt of such Notice from the Town Clerk, who shall thereupon make such Order as to him shall seem just, and such Order, signed by the Recorder, shall be binding upon all Parties; and the said Council shall from Time to Time pay to every such Person awarded Compensation as aforesaid the Money or Annuity so granted or determined as and for Compensation when and as the same shall respectively become due and payable; and in case such Compensation shall be by way of Annuity, the same shall be payable by half-yearly Payments; and such Compensation shall be provided for by a Rate on the Property in the City of *Dublin* liable to Municipal Taxation, and assessed as such other Municipal Charges are now assessed, such Rate in no One Year to exceed One Penny in the Pound of the Valuation of such Property; and such Rate shall be called the Special Rate, and shall be solely applicable to the Purposes of this Act, and to no other Purpose whatsoever; and the Collector General of Rates for the City of *Dublin* shall from Time to Time pay out of such Rate to every such Person the Money or Annuity so agreed upon or awarded as Compensation, and shall include the said Rate in his annual Assessment, and take credit for the same in his Account.

Every Vestry Clerk, Cess Collector, Beadle, Engine Keeper, &c. deprived of any Salary or Emolument by this Act to be compensated.

5. In the Case of every Parish Officer in *Ireland* who shall be deprived of any Salary, Fees, or Emoluments by the Operation of this Act, it shall be lawful for any Town Council or Town Commissioners within the Limits of whose respective Jurisdictions such Parish may be situated to award such Parish Officers Compensation for such Loss of Salary, Fees, or Emoluments in the Manner herein-before enacted with respect to the City of *Dublin*, and with like Appeal to the Chairman of Quarter Sessions of the County in which such Parish is situated.

Parish Officers deprived of Salary, Fees, &c. to be compensated.

Acts and Parts of Acts in Schedule repealed.

6. From and after the passing of this Act the several Acts and Parts of Acts in the Schedule hereunto annexed shall be repealed, save so far as may be necessary for supporting or discharging any Proceedings or Liabilities had or incurred thereunder before the passing of this Act.

SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers.

6 Geo. 1. (I.) c. 15. sections 8 and 9.	7 Geo. 4. c. 72. sections 10 and 51.
11 & 12 Geo. 2. (I.) c. 15.	6 & 7 Wm. 4. c. 116. section 109.
13 & 14 Geo. 3. (I.) c. 24.	7 & 8 Vict. c. 106. section 44.
3 Geo. 4. c. 35. section 4.	

CAP. XVIII.

An Act to grant certain Duties of Customs and Inland Revenue.

[13th *May* 1864.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in Parliament assembled, towards raising the necessary Supplies to defray Your Majesty's public Expenses, and making an Addition to the Public Revenue, have freely and voluntarily resolved to give and grant unto Your Majesty the several Rates and Duties herein-after mentioned; and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it 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:

Grant of Duties and Drawbacks as specified in Schedules annexed.

1. There shall be charged, collected, and paid, for the Use of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, the several Rates and Duties of Customs, Excise, Stamps, and Income Tax respectively specified and contained in the several Schedules marked respectively (A.), (B.), (C.), and (D.) to this Act annexed, and there shall be allowed the several Drawbacks specified and contained in the said Schedule (A.); and the said Rates, Duties, and Drawbacks shall respectively take effect at or from the respective Times, and shall continue to be charged, collected, paid, and allowed for and during the Periods respectively specified or mentioned in that Behalf in this Act or in the said Schedules, and where no Time is so specified for the Commencement thereof the same shall commence and take effect from and after the passing of this Act, and where no Period is so specified or limited for the Duration thereof the same shall continue to be charged, collected, paid, and allowed respectively until Parliament shall otherwise order; and the said several Schedules shall be deemed to be Part of this Act.

Provisions of former Acts to apply to this Act.

2. All the Powers, Provisions, Clauses, Regulations, Allowances, and Exemptions, Forfeitures, Pains, and Penalties, contained in or imposed by any Act or Acts, or any Schedule thereto, relating to any Duties or Drawbacks of the same Kind or Description as the several Rates or Duties or Drawbacks granted and allowed by this Act respectively, and in force at the Time of the passing of this Act, and not hereby expressly repealed, or, as regards the Income Tax, in force on the Fifth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four (except as herein-after provided), shall respectively be in full Force and Effect with respect to the said Rates, Duties, and Drawbacks by this Act granted and allowed respectively, so far as the same are or shall be applicable, in all Cases not hereby expressly provided for, and shall be observed, applied, allowed, enforced, and put in execution for and in the raising, levying, collecting, and securing of the said last-mentioned Rates

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