CAP. CXX.

An Act to make Provision for the Administration of the Patriotic Fund.

[10th *August* 1866.]

'WHEREAS the Fund called the Patriotic Fund is administered under a Commission issued by Her Majesty the Queen, dated the Seventh Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and Doubts have arisen respecting the Power of Her Majesty to give Directions concerning the Application of the Fund further or other than those contained in the said Commission, and respecting other Matters connected with the Constitution and Powers of the Body of Commissioners and the Conduct of the Business relating to the Fund; and it is expedient that all Ground for such Doubts be removed:'

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 Her Majesty to direct Application of Patriotic Fund for Purposes herein described.

1. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, from Time to Time, by Commission under the Royal Sign Manual, directed to such Persons as to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, seem fit, to authorize and direct the Commissioners thereby constituted to apply the Patriotic Fund and the Income and Accumulations thereof (in such Manner as any such Commission from Time to Time directs or as the Commissioners think fit) to the Purposes and in the Order following:

First, in the Relief of the Widows, and the Education, Training, and Advancement of Children, of Soldiers, Seamen, and Marines of Her Majesty's Army and Navy who lost their Lives in Battle, or from Wounds or by other Casualties, in the late War with *Russia*;

Secondly, in the Education, Training, and Advancement of Children of Soldiers, Seamen, and Marines of Her Majesty's Army and Navy who have lost or hereafter lose their Lives in Battle, or from Wounds or by other Casualties, in any other War;

And for any of those Purposes to extend or contribute to any Royal or other Charitable Institution for the Time being established for similar Purposes in the United Kingdom; and to employ a Secretary and Clerks at such Salaries, and with such retiring or other Allowances (if any), as therein provided, the same, with other proper Expenses, to be paid out of the Patriotic Fund.

Short Title.

2. This Act may be cited as The Patriotic Fund Act, 1866.

CAP. CXXI.

An Act for the Amendment of the Law relating to Treaties of Extradition.

[10th *August* 1866.]

'WHEREAS Difficulties have been experienced in carrying into execution Treaties for the Extradition of Persons accused of Crimes between Her Majesty and the Sovereigns or Governments of certain Foreign States: And whereas the Statutes now in force for this Purpose have been found insufficient: And whereas it is expedient to amend the same, and to give greater Facilities than at present exist under the aforesaid Statutes for the Admission in Evidence of judicial or official Documents or Copies of Documents:

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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:

Warrants of Arrest and Copies of Depositions to be received in Evidence if authenticated in manner specified by this Act.

1. That Warrants of Arrest and Copies of Depositions signed or taken by or before a Judge or competent Magistrate in any Foreign State with which Her Majesty may have entered into, or may hereafter enter into, any Treaty for the Extradition of fugitive Offenders or Persons accused of Crimes, shall henceforth be received in Evidence if authenticated in the Manner following, that is to say, if the Warrant of Arrest purports to be signed by a Judge or other competent Magistrate of the Country in which the same shall have been issued, and if the Copies of Depositions purport to be certified under the Hand of such Judge or Magistrate to be true Copies of the original Depositions, and if the Signature of the Judge or Magistrate in each Case shall be authenticated in the Manner usual in the respective States or Countries by the proper Officer of the Department of the Minister of Justice, and sealed with the official Seal of such Minister; and all Courts of Justice and Magistrates in Her Majesty's Dominions shall take judicial Notice of such official Seal, and shall admit the Documents so authenticated by it to be received in Evidence without further Proof.

This Act to be construed with 8 & 9 Vict. c. 113. and 14 & 15 Vict. c. 99.

2. This Act shall be construed with an Act passed in the Eighth and Ninth Years of the Reign of Her Majesty, Chapter One hundred and thirteen, intituled *An Act to facilitate the Admission in Evidence of official and other Documents;* and also with an Act passed in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of the Reign of Her Majesty, Chapter Ninety-nine, intituled *An Act to amend the Law of Evidence.*

Duration of Act.

3. The Duration of this Act shall be limited to the First Day of *September* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

CAP. CXXII.

An Act to make Provision for the Improvement, Protection, and Management of Commons near the Metropolis. [10th *August* 1866.]

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:

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as The Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866.

Definition of Local Authority and Local Rate.

2. For the Purposes of this Act the Local Authority in relation to each Metropolitan Common shall be the Authority described as such in connexion therewith in the First Schedule to this Act; and for the Purposes of this Act the Local Rate in relation to each Metropolitan Common shall be the Rate described in connexion therewith in the same Schedule.

Interpretation of Terms.

3. In this Act—

The Term "Common" means Land subject at the passing of this Act to any Right of Common; the Term "Commoner" means a Person having any such Right of Common; the Term "Manor" includes reputed Manor; and those Terms as used in this Act respectively refer to any particular Common to which this Act applies, and to every Person having a Right of Common in, over, or affecting that Common, and to the Manor of the Wastes whereof that Common is Part: