CHAPTER 83.

An Act to extend the provisions of the Pensions Commutation Act, 1871, to Officers and Clerks of Telegraph Companies who are entitled to Annuities.

[10th August 1872.]

WHEREAS under the Telegraph Acts, 1868 to 1870, certain officers and clerks of companies whose undertakings have been purchased by the Postmaster General in pursuance of those Acts are entitled to receive during their lives from the Postmaster General, by way of compensation for the loss of their offices, annuities of such amount as therein mentioned:

And whereas it is expedient to extend the provisions of the Pensions Commutation Act, 1871, to such officers and clerks:

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:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as "The Pensions Commutation Act, 1872."

Extension to telegraph clerks of 34 & 35 Vict. c. 36.

2. The Pensions Commutation Act, 1871, shall apply to every officer and clerk of any company the undertaking of which has been purchased by the Postmaster General, in pursuance of the Telegraph Acts, 1868 to 1870, or one of them, who is entitled to receive any annuity during his life from the Postmaster General, by way of compensation for the loss of his office, in like manner as if he were mentioned in section three of the Pensions Commutation Act, 1871, and as if the term pension in that Act included such annuity, subject to the following modifications:

(1.) No recommendation shall be required, but every application for commutation shall be forwarded through the Postmaster General:

(2.) The amounts awarded shall be paid by the Postmaster General, under the direction of the Treasury, out of any sums raised for the purposes of the Telegraph Acts, 1868 to 1870:

(3.) Sections eight, eleven, and twelve of the Pensions Commutation Act, 1871, shall not apply to any commutation awarded in pursuance of this Act.

Accounts.

3. An account of all payments made in pursuance of this Act shall be laid before the House of Commons as soon as conveniently may be after they are made.

CHAPTER 84.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the appointment of Revising Barristers.

[10th August 1872.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the law respecting the appointment of revising barristers:

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:

Repeal of so much of s. 29 of 6 & 7 Vict. c. 18. as authorises appointment of additional revising barristers.

1. So much of section twenty-nine of the Act of the session of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter eighteen, intituled "An Act to amend "the law for the registration of persons entitled to vote, and to define certain rights of "voting, and to regulate certain proceedings in the election of members to serve in "Parliament for England and Wales," or of any other Act which authorises or requires the Lord Chief Justice or judge in the case of the insufficiency of the number of the barrister or barristers originally appointed to revise the lists of voters for any county,

city, or borough, to appoint one or more barrister or barristers to act, in addition to the barrister or barristers originally appointed, is hereby repealed as from the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Qualification of revising barrister.

2. No barrister shall be appointed after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, to revise any list of voters for any county, city, or borough in England, who is of less than seven years standing, unless he has been appointed in any year previous to the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three to be such revising barrister.

Power to alter the number of revising barristers.

3. So much of section four of the Act of the session of the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty-two, intituled "An Act to enable Her Majesty in Council to make alterations in the circuits "of Judges," as provided that the present total number of revising barristers shall not be augmented otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of the twenty-ninth section of the said Act of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her Majesty is hereby repealed; and the power of increasing or diminishing the number of revising barristers conferred by the said section of the Act of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her Majesty may be exercised, from time to time, within any circuit, whether affected by the alterations therein mentioned or not, as occasion may require.

CHAPTER 85.

An Act to continue certain Turnpike Acts in Great Britain, to repeal certain other Turnpike Acts, and to make further provisions concerning Turnpike Roads. [10th August 1872.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to continue for limited times some of the Acts herein-after specified, and to repeal others, and to make further provisions concerning turnpike roads:

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:

Schedule 1.

1. The Acts specified in the first schedule annexed hereto shall be repealed on and after the first day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

Schedule 2.

2. The Acts specified in the second schedule annexed hereto shall be repealed on and after the first day of January one thouand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Schedules 3 and 4.

3. The Acts specified in the third and fourth schedules annexed hereto shall expire at the times in that behalf mentioned in "The Annual Turnpike Acts Continuance Act, 1871."

Schedule 5.

4. The Acts specified in the fifth schedule annexed hereto shall continue in force until the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and no longer.

Schedule 6.

5. The Act specified in the sixth schedule annexed hereto shall continue in force until the thirty-first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and no longer.

Schedule 7.

6. The Act specified in the seventh schedule annexed hereto shall continue in force until the first day of May one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and no longer.

Schedule 8.

7. The Acts specified in the eighth schedule annexed hereto shall continue in force until the dates specified in each instance, and no longer.