other non-commissioned officers and men in the royal marine forces, and not as petty officers and seamen.

Repeal of Acts, and savings.

5.—(1.) The Act mentioned in the schedule to this Act is hereby repealed to the extent in the third column of that schedule mentioned.

(3.) Men and boys who entered or re-entered into the naval service of Her Majesty in pursuance of any enactment repealed by this Act shall continue liable to serve in like manner as if the said enactment had not been repealed, and until regulations are made by the Admiralty in pursuance of this Act the regulations in force at the commencement of this Act with respect to enlistment shall continue in force, and the enactments repealed by this Act shall, for the purposes of this Act, have effect as if they were regulations of the Admiralty.

SCHEDULE.

ACT REPEALED.

Session and Chapter.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
16 & 17 Vict. c. 69. -	An Act to make better provision concerning the entry and service of seamen, and otherwise to amend the laws concerning Her Majesty's navy.	Sections one and two.

CHAPTER 47.

An Act to enable Local Authorities to transfer the whole or certain parts of their Districts for the purposes of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, to the Districts of neighbouring Local Authorities.

[7th August 1884.]

WHEREAS it is expedient for the more effectual and convenient administration of the provisions of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, to enable local authorities to transfer the whole or certain parts of their districts for the purposes of that Act to the districts of neighbouring local authorities:

41 & 42 Vict. c. 74.

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 Contagious Diseases (Animals) Transfer of Parts of Districts Act, 1884, and shall be construed as one with the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878.

Transfer of powers from one local authority to another.

2. Wherever the whole or any part of the district within which any local authority exercises jurisdiction under the provisions of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, or any Order of Council from time to time in force by virtue thereof, is wholly surrounded by or has a common boundary with the district within

which any other local authority exercises the like jurisdiction, those two local authorities may by agreement in writing between themselves make and from time to time vary and rescind provisions for the exercise by one of them (in this Act referred to as the administering authority) of jurisdiction under the said Act or any such Order within the whole or any part or parts of the district of the other (in this Act referred to as the surrendering authority) and for ascertaining the proportion of the expenses of the administering authority to be paid by the surrendering authority, such proportion to be fixed with reference to the rateable value of the part of the district of the surrendering authority surrendered to the administering authority as compared with the rateable value of the original area of the district of the administering authority.

The district or part of a district subjected, in pursuance of an agreement under this section, to the jurisdiction of the administering authority, shall, for the purpose of the exercise of such jurisdiction, be deemed to be part of the district of the administering authority, and be dealt with accordingly.

Any expenses payable by a surrendering authority to an administering authority under this section shall be paid out of the rate or fund out of which such expenses would have been paid had they been incurred by the surrendering authority itself.

Provided that where the surrendering authority is a borough and the administering authority is a county to the rate of which such borough is assessed, the first provision of section forty-seven of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, requiring repayment by the local authority of the county to the local authority of the borough therein mentioned shall not apply.

Formation of united district.

3. A local authority may from time to time by agreement concur with any other local authority or authorities in appointing out of their respective bodies a joint committee consisting of such number of members with such tenure of office as they may determine, and in assigning to such joint committee a district consisting of the whole or such parts of the districts of the constituent authorities as such authorities may determine, and in delegating to such joint committee within their district the whole or any part of the jurisdiction of a local authority under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, or any Order of Council from time to time enforced by virtue thereof, and any such committee shall, in respect of any jurisdiction so assigned to them, exercise the same powers and be subject to the same obligations, and the said Act and any Order made in pursuance thereof shall, in respect of the district so assigned, take effect as if such district were the district of a local authority and the joint committee were a local authority within the meaning of the said Act.

All expenses incurred by such joint committee shall be apportioned among the component areas belonging to the different constituent authorities in proportion to the rateable values of such areas, as compared with each other, and shall be paid out of the rates or funds out of which such expenses would have been paid had they been incurred by the constituent authorities themselves.

Execution of agreement.

4. Any agreement made by a local authority under this Act shall be binding so far as respects such authority if executed by the chairman for the time being of the local authority and two other members of such authority, or, where such authority is a corporation, if executed under the corporate seal.

No such agreement shall be valid unless it has been approved by the Privy Council.

Definition of "jurisdiction."

5. The expression "jurisdiction" shall not include the power of making or levying a rate, but shall include all other powers, duties, and obligations exerciseable by or imposed on a local authority or its officers under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, or any Order of Council from time to time enforced by virtue of such Act.

Application of Act to Scotland.

6. In the application of this Act to Scotland, "rateable value" means value according to the valuation roll.

Application of Act to Ireland.

7. In the application of this Act to Ireland, the expression "Privy Council" means the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council.

CHAPTER 48.

An Act to promote the Cultivation of Oysters in Ireland.

[7th August 1884.]

WHEREAS under the provisions of the Act 32 & 33 Victoria, chapter ninety-two, and the Acts incorporated therewith, the Inspectors of Irish Fisheries are empowered to grant licenses to certain persons to form or plant oyster beds or layings, whether above or below low-water mark, and it is expedient, with the view of further promoting the cultivation of oysters in certain places, to extend these powers: 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 quoted as the Oyster Cultivation (Ireland) Act, 1884.

Power to Inspectors of Irish Fisheries to make order for oyster fishery.

2. The Inspectors of Irish Fisheries may make orders for the establishment or improvement, and for the maintenance and regulation, of an oyster fishery on the shore and bed of the sea, or of an estuary or tidal river above or below or partly above and partly below low-water mark (which shore and bed are in this Act referred to as the seashore), and including, if desirable, provisions for the constitution of a board or body corporate for the purpose of such order, on an application by memorial presented to the said Inspectors by any person or persons desirous of obtaining such an order.

Publication of notices.

3. If on consideration of the memorial the Inspectors of Irish Fisheries think fit to proceed with the case they shall cause notices to that effect to be published and circulated in the district to be affected by said order, and shall give notice of the application in such manner as they shall think sufficient and proper for giving information to all parties interested, and to the owners or reputed