The following is the description of Lands, being part of the Township of Pollard's Land, which are included in the District of Bishop Auckland, by Order:—

No. on Plan.	Late or Present Owners.	Late or Present Occupiers.	Description.
44	Thomas Peacock -	Himself - - -	Skinnersgarth.
43	Ditto - - -	Ditto - - - -	Paddock.
32	Ditto - - -	Thomas Fletcher and others	Houses.
30	Ditto - - -	— Cummins - - -	House and garden.
31	Margaret Easton -	Margaret Easton and others	Cottages and garden.
29	Cuthbert Heron -	Himself and others -	House and gardens.
27	James Thompson -	John Proud - - -	House.
—	Ditto - - -	Himself and others -	Orchard and cottages.
33	Robert Mackenzie Hall	Adjutant Scott - -	House and garth.
23	Bishop of Durham -	Ralph Powton - -	Hedworth Close.
24	Rev. G. E. Green -	Himself - - -	Parsonage house and gardens.
25	Ann Briggs - -	Herself and another -	House, granaries, and stable.
26	Thomas Dawson -	Robert Adamson and others	Cottages and gardens.
34, 35, 36	Rev. G. E. Green and others.	James Thompson and Ralph Powton.	Town fields.
37	William Trotter -	William Humes, jun. -	Grass fields.
38	Ditto - - -	John Waggett - -	Close of land.
39	Ditto - - -	William Humes - -	Grass field.
40	Auckland and Weardale Railway Company.	Henry Stobart, Esq. - -	Part of Snail Croft.
42, 41	Ditto - - -	Themselves - - -	Railway.
—	Richard Bowser -	Thomas Sutton - -	Tillage field. } now co-
—	Ditto - - -	Josiah Jewett - - -	Three grass fields } loured blue.
	And three portions of land marked by the names of William Trotter, William Gibbon, and George Maw, respectively.		

CAP. XXVII.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to Pawnbrokers. [23d *June* 1856.]

'WHEREAS under and by virtue of an Act passed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third, Chapter Forty-eight, all Persons using or exercising the Trade or Business of a Pawnbroker in *Great Britain* are required to take out a Licence annually for that Purpose in the Manner prescribed by the said Act, under the Penalty of Fifty Pounds for any Neglect in that Behalf, and such Licences are chargeable with certain Stamp Duties granted and imposed thereon by an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the said King's Reign, Chapter One hundred and eighty-four: And whereas an Act was passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the said King's Reign, Chapter Ninty-nine, for better regulating the Business of Pawnbrokers: And whereas Attempts are made to evade the Provisions of the said Acts by Persons who receive Goods and Chattels into their Possession, and advance Money thereon, under the Pretence that the Transaction is a Sale and Purchase of such Goods and Chattels, and not a receiving or taking of the same by way of Pawn or Pledge; and it is expedient to amend the said Acts with a view to prevent such Evasions and the Mischiefs arising therefrom:' 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: 25 G. 3. c. 48. 55 G. 3. c. 184. 39 & 40 G. 3. c. 99.

I. The following shall be deemed to be Persons using and exercising the Trade and Business of a Pawnbroker within the Meaning of the several Acts aforesaid, and subject and Persons herein described

deemed to be Pawnbrokers.

and liable to all the Provisions and Regulations thereof in relation to Pawnbrokers, as well as the Persons who by or under the said Acts or any of them are declared or deemed to be Persons using or exercising the said Trade or Business; (that is to say,) every Person who shall keep a House, Shop or other Place for the Purchase or Sale of Goods or Chattels, or for taking in Goods or Chattels by way of Security for Money advanced thereon, and shall purchase or receive or take in any Goods or Chattels, and pay or advance or lend thereon any Sum of Money not exceeding Ten Pounds, with or under any Agreement or Understanding, express or implied, or which from the Nature or Character of the Dealing may reasonably be inferred, that such Goods or Chattels may be afterwards redeemed or repurchased on any Terms whatever.

Penalty on Persons declared or deemed to be Pawnbrokers not taking out proper Licences.

Penalties recoverable by summary information.

II. If any Person by or under this Act or the several Acts aforesaid or any of them declared or deemed to be a Person using and exercising the Trade or Business of a Pawnbroker shall neglect or omit to take out the proper Licence in that Behalf he shall forfeit the Sum of Fifty Pounds, which shall be recoverable by Information before any Justice of the Peace in the Name of an Officer of Inland Revenue prosecuting for the same on behalf of Her Majesty; and in every Information or other Proceeding for the Recovery of such Penalty it shall be a sufficient Description of the Offence to charge that the Defendant did use and exercise the Trade and Business of a Pawnbroker without taking out a proper Licence in that Behalf; and upon the Conviction of such Defendant the like Proceedings shall be had for the levying of the Penalty or for the recording of such Conviction, and for the Appeal of the Defendant if he shall feel himself aggrieved thereby, as are provided by Law, and may be adopted with regard to any Penalty incurred under the said Act of the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of King *George* the Third: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Justice before whom any such Defendant shall be convicted to mitigate or lessen the said Penalty, if he shall think fit, to any Sum not less than One Fourth thereof; provided also, that any Proceeding authorized or directed by the said recited Acts or this Act to take place before a Justice of the Peace may, in *Scotland*, take place before the Sheriff of the County in which the Proceeding is instituted, or his Substitute; but no Appeal shall lie from the Judgment of any Sheriff to the Quarter Sessions of the Peace, nor shall any other Appeal lie, save from the Judgment of the Sheriff Substitute to the Sheriff, whose Decision shall in all Cases be final, and not subject to Review.

Power to Justices to mitigate Penalties.

CAP. XXVIII.

An Act to make further Provision for rendering Reformatory and Industrial Schools in *Scotland* more available for the Benefit of Vagrant Children.

[23d *June* 1856.]

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:

Decree against Parents for Support of Children in Reformatory Schools may be for Payment of weekly Sum, enforceable weekly.

I. In every Case in which any young Person in *Scotland* shall have been sent to a Reformatory or Industrial School or other similar Institution, under the Provisions of the Act of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Years of Queen *Victoria*, Chapter Seventy-four, "to render Reformatory and Industrial Schools in *Scotland* more available for the Benefit "of Vagrant Children," or under the Provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Inspector of the Poor of the Parish which may be either in the first instance or ultimately liable for the Support of such young Person at such School or Institution, as well as for the Treasurer or other Officer thereof, to raise an Action against the Parents or Step-parents of such young Person or other Persons who may be liable for his or her Support, for Payment of a weekly Sum, to be applied to the Cost of Support and other Expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Directors or other Managers of such School or Institution in regard to such young Person, and such Action may be brought in the Sheriff's Small Debt Court of the County in which the Order to send such young Person to such School or Institution was pronounced, or of the County in which the Defender in such Action may happen to reside; and