solidated Fund, and be available in any manner in which such fund is available.

3. This Act may be cited as the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1889. **Short title.**

CHAPTER 3.

An Act to provide, during twelve months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army. [11th April 1889.]

WHEREAS the raising or keeping of a standing army within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in time of peace, unless it be with the consent of Parliament, is against law:

And whereas it is adjudged necessary by Her Majesty and this present Parliament, that a body of forces should be continued for the safety of the United Kingdom and the defence of the possessions of Her Majesty's Crown, and that the whole number of such forces should consist of one hundred and fifty-two thousand two hundred and eighty-two men, including those to be employed at the depôts in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the training of recruits for service at home and abroad, but exclusive of the numbers actually serving within Her Majesty's Indian possessions:

And whereas it is also judged necessary for the safety of the United Kingdom, and the defence of the possessions of this realm, that a body of Royal Marine forces should be employed in Her Majesty's fleet and naval service, under the direction of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom, or the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid:

And whereas the said marine forces may frequently be quartered or be on shore, or sent to do duty or be on board transport ships or vessels, merchant ships or vessels, or other ships or vessels, or they may be under other circumstances in which they will not be subject to the laws relating to the government of Her Majesty's forces by sea:

And whereas no man can be forejudged of life or limb, or subjected in time of peace to any kind of punishment within this realm by martial law, or in any other manner than by the judgment of his peers and according to the known and established laws of this realm; yet nevertheless it being requisite, for the retaining all the before-mentioned forces, and other persons subject to military law, in their duty, that an exact discipline be observed, and that persons belonging to the said forces who mutiny or stir up sedition, or desert Her Majesty's service, or are guilty of crimes and offences to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, be brought to a more exemplary and speedy punishment than the usual forms of the law will allow:

And whereas the Army Act, 1881, will expire in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine on the following days: **44 & 45 Vict. c. 58.**

(*a.*) In the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man, on the thirtieth day of April; and

(*b.*) Elsewhere in Europe, inclusive of Malta, also in the West Indies and America, on the thirty-first day of July; and

(*c.*) Elsewhere, whether within or without Her Majesty's dominions, on the thirty-first day of December:

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 Army (Annual) Act, 1889.

Army Act (44 & 45 Vict. c. 58.) to be in force for specified times.

2.—(1.) The Army Act, 1881, shall be and remain in force during the periods herein-after mentioned, and no longer, unless otherwise provided by Parliament; that is to say,

(*a.*) Within the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man, from the thirtieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine to the thirtieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety, both inclusive; and

(*b.*) Elsewhere in Europe, inclusive of Malta, also in the West Indies and America, from the thirty-first day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine to the thirty-first day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety, both inclusive; and

(*c.*) Elsewhere, whether within or without Her Majesty's dominions, from the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine to the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and ninety, both inclusive;

and the day from which the Army Act, 1881, is continued in any place by this Act is in relation to that place referred to in this Act as the commencement of this Act.

(2.) The Army Act, 1881, while in force shall apply to persons subject to military law, whether within or without Her Majesty's dominions.

44 & 45 Vict. c. 58.

(3.) A person subject to military law shall not be exempted from the provisions of the Army Act, 1881, by reason only that the number of the forces for the time being in the service of Her Majesty, exclusive of the marine forces, is either greater or less than the number herein-before mentioned.

Prices in respect of billeting.

3. There shall be paid to the keeper of a victualling house for the accommodation provided by him in pursuance of the Army Act, 1881, the prices specified in the schedule to this Act.

Amendments of Army Act, 1881.

Amendment of 44 & 45 Vict. c. 58. s. 135, as to classification of prisoners.

4. Whereas by section one hundred and thirty-five of the Army Act, 1881, provision is made for a difference between the treatment of prisoners convicted of breaches of discipline and the treatment of prisoners convicted of offences of an immoral, dishonest, shameful, or criminal character, and it is expedient to make provision for treating persons sentenced to be discharged from the service with ignominy in the same manner as the latter class of those prisoners: Be it therefore enacted, that in the said section after the words

"criminal character" shall be added the words "or sentenced to be "discharged from the service with ignominy."

" " s. 91, as to lunatics.

5. Whereas doubts have arisen as to the effect of certain provisions of section ninety-one of the Army Act, 1881, and it is expedient to remove those doubts; be it therefore enacted as follows:

(1.) In sub-section three of the said section for the words "and "shall be subject accordingly to the provisions of that section" shall be substituted the words "and the like proceedings shall "be taken thereon as on an order under that section."

(2.) In sub-section four of the same section for the words "section eighty-five of the Act of the session of the twentieth "and twenty-first years of the reign of Her present Majesty, "chapter seventy-one, intituled, 'An Act for the regulation "'of the care and treatment of lunatics, and for the pro-"'vision, maintenance, and regulation of lunatic asylums in "'Scotland,' and shall be subject accordingly to the pro-"visions of that section," shall be substituted the words "section fifteen of the Act of the session of the twenty-fifth "and twenty-sixth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, "chapter fifty-four, intituled 'An Act to make further "'provision respecting lunacy in Scotland,' and the like pro-"ceedings shall be taken thereon as on an order under that "section."

(3.) In sub-section five of the said section for the word "soldier" shall be substituted the word "lunatic."

" " s. 146, as to exemption from service as sheriff, &c.

6. Whereas by section one hundred and forty-six of the Army Act, 1881, it is enacted as follows:

"A person who is commissioned and in full pay as an officer in Her Majesty's regular forces, shall not be capable of being nominated or elected to be sheriff of any county, borough, or other place, or to be mayor or alderman of, or to hold any office in, any municipal corporation in any city, borough, or place in the United Kingdom;"

And it is expedient that this section should apply to all commissioned officers in Her Majesty's regular forces whilst on the active list, although not on full pay: Be it therefore enacted, that in that section for the words "A person who is commissioned and "in full pay as an officer in Her Majesty's regular forces," shall be substituted the words "An officer of the regular forces on the "active list within the meaning of any Royal Warrant for regu-"lating the pay and promotion of the regular forces."

Recreation rooms.

7. After section one hundred and seventy-four of the Army Act, 1881, the following section shall be inserted and numbered 174A:—

Notwithstanding anything in the Act of the twenty-fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Second, chapter thirty-six, intituled "An Act for the better preventing theft "and robberies and for regulating places of public entertain-"ment and punishing persons keeping disorderly houses," or in the Act of the session held in the sixth and seventh years of Her Majesty, chapter sixty-eight, intituled "An Act for regulating

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theatres," where a recreation room is managed or conducted under the authority of a Secretary of State or the Admiralty, it may be used for public dancing, music, or other public entertainment of the like kind or for the public performance of stage plays, without any licence in pursuance of those Acts, or either of them.

SCHEDULE.

Accommodation to be provided.	Maximum Price.
Lodging and attendance for soldier where hot meal furnished.	Twopence halfpenny per night.
Hot meal as specified in Part I. of the Second Schedule to the Army Act, 1881.	One shilling and one penny halfpenny each.
Where no hot meal furnished, lodging and attendance, and candles, vinegar, salt, and the use of fire, and the necessary utensils for dressing and eating his meat.	Fourpence per day.
Ten pounds of oats, twelve pounds of hay, and eight pounds of straw per day for each horse.	One shilling and ninepence per day.
Lodging and attendance for officer - -	Two shillings per night.

Note.—An officer shall pay for his food.

CHAPTER 4.

An Act to provide for the Redemption of the Consolidated Three Per Cent. Stock, and the Reduced Three Per Cent. Stock. [11th April 1889.]

WHEREAS on the fifth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, the House of Commons adopted the following resolution:—

"*Resolved*, that the Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities and the Reduced Three Pounds Per Centum Annuities shall be redeemable at any time after the expiration of one year from the date at which a copy of this resolution, having been inserted in the London Gazette, is affixed on the Royal Exchange in London, by payments of not less than five hundred thousand pounds at any one time, in manner directed by any Act to be passed":

And whereas the said resolution was signified by the Speaker in writing, was inserted in the London Gazette of the sixth day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and was affixed on the Royal Exchange in London on the same day:

And whereas it is expedient to provide for repayment by Parliament according to the said resolution of so much of the Consolidated Three Pounds Per Centum Annuities and Reduced Three Pounds Per Centum Annuities (herein-after referred to respectively as Consolidated Three Per Cent. Stock and Reduced Three Per Cent. Stock) as remains outstanding: