we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your Majesty the sums herein-after mentioned; and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and 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:

Issue of 1,536,571*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the years ending 31st March 1880 and 1881.

1. The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the time being may issue out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and apply towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty and one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, the sum of one million five hundred and thirty-six thousand five hundred and seventy-one pounds four shillings and twopence.

Issue of 11,819,046*l.* out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 31st March 1882.

2. The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the time being may issue out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and apply towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, the sum of eleven million eight hundred and nineteen thousand and forty-six pounds.

Power to the Treasury to borrow.

3. The Commissioners of the Treasury may borrow from time to time, on the credit of the said sums, any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole the sum of thirteen million three hundred and fifty-five thousand six hundred and seventeen pounds four shillings and twopence, and shall repay the moneys so borrowed, with interest not exceeding five pounds per centum per annum, out of the growing produce of the Consolidated Fund at any period not later than the next succeeding quarter to that in which the said sums were borrowed.

Any sums so borrowed shall be placed to the credit of the account of Her Majesty's Exchequer, and shall form part of the said Consolidated Fund, and be available in any manner in which such fund is available.

Short title.

4. This Act may be cited as the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1881.

CHAPTER 9.

An Act to provide during twelve months for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army. [8th April 1881.]

WHEREAS the raising or keeping 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 thirty-four thousand and

sixty 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 merchant ships or vessels, or ships or vessels of Her Majesty, 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:

42 & 43 Vict. c. 33.

And whereas the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, will expire—

(*a.*) In the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man, on the thirtieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one; and

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

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

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 Discipline and Regulation (Annual) Act, 1881.

Army Discipline and Regulation Act (42 & 43 Vict. c. 33.) to be in force for specified times.

2. The Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, shall be and remain in force during the periods herein-after mentioned, and no longer, unless otherwise provided by Parliament; that is to say,

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

(2.) 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-one to the thirty-first day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, both inclusive; and

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

and the day from which the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, 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.

The Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, while in force shall apply to persons subject to military law, whether within or without Her Majesty's dominions. 42 & 43 Vict. c. 33.

A person subject to military law shall not be exempted from the provisions of the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, 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. 42 & 43 Vict. c. 33.

3. There shall be paid to the keeper of a victualling house for the accommodation provided by him in pursuance of the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, the prices specified in the Schedule to this Act. Prices in respect of billeting. 42 & 43 Vict. c. 33.

AMENDMENTS OF ARMY DISCIPLINE AND REGULATION ACT, 1879.

4. (1.) On and after the commencement of this Act, where a soldier on active service is guilty of an aggravated offence of drunkenness, or of an offence of disgraceful conduct, or of any offence punishable with death or penal servitude, it shall be lawful for a court-martial to award for that offence such summary punishment other than flogging as may be directed by rules to be made from time to time by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State; and such summary punishment shall be of the character of personal restraint or of hard labour, but shall not be of a nature to cause injury to life or limb, and shall not be inflicted where the confirming officer is of opinion that imprisonment can with due regard to the public service be carried into execution. Summary punishment.

(2.) The said summary punishment shall not be inflicted upon a non-commissioned officer, or upon a reduced non-commissioned officer, for any offence committed while holding the rank of non-commissioned officer.

(3.) "An aggravated offence of drunkenness" for the purposes of this section means drunkenness committed on the march or otherwise on duty, or after the offender was warned for duty, or when by reason of the drunkenness the offender was found unfit for duty; and notwithstanding anything contained in the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, it shall not be incumbent on the commanding officer to deal summarily with such aggravated offence of drunkenness.

(4.) "An offence of disgraceful conduct" for the purposes of this section means any offence specified in section eighteen of the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879.

(5.) For the purpose of commutation of punishment the summary punishment above mentioned shall be deemed to stand in the scale of punishments next below penal servitude.

(6.) Any punishment which may, in pursuance of the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, be awarded in addition to imprisonment, may also be awarded in addition to a summary punishment under this section.

Summary court-martial.

5. (1.) Where a person subject to military law and being on active service with any body of forces is charged, on and after the commencement of this Act, with an offence against the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, a summary court-martial may be convened and shall have jurisdiction to try such offence, if the officer convening the court is of opinion that an ordinary court-martial cannot, having due regard to the public service, be convened to try such offence.

(2.) A summary court-martial shall be convened and constituted, and the members and witnesses sworn, and its proceedings conducted, and its finding and sentence confirmed in such manner as may be provided by this section and rules from time to time made in pursuance of the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, as amended by this Act; and sections fifty to fifty-four (both inclusive) of that Act shall not apply to such court-martial, provided that,—

(*a.*) A summary court-martial shall consist of not less than three officers, unless the officer convening the same is of opinion that three officers are not available, having due regard to the public service, in which case the court-martial may consist of two officers; and

(*b.*) Where a summary court-martial consists of less than three officers the sentence shall not exceed such summary punishment as is allowed by this Act, or imprisonment; and

(*c.*) A sentence of death or penal servitude awarded by a summary court-martial shall not be carried into effect unless and until it has been confirmed by the general or field officer commanding the force with which the prisoner is present at the date of his sentence.

Abolition of corporal punishment.

6. On and after the commencement of this Act there shall be repealed so much of the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, as prescribes corporal punishment for offences committed by persons subject to military law and convicted of such offences by court-martial; also so much of section seventy-two of the said Act as relates to field general courts-martial, without prejudice to anything done or suffered in pursuance of the said section, and the finding and sentence of any such court held before the commencement of this Act may be confirmed and carried into effect after such commencement.

Rules made in pursuance of this Act to be laid before Parliament.

7. All rules made in pursuance of this Act shall be laid before Parliament as soon as practicable after they are made, if Parliament be then sitting, and if Parliament be not then sitting, as soon as practicable after the beginning of the then next session of Parliament.

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 Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879.	One shilling and one pennyhalfpenny 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 10.

An Act for the transfer of Property held for the Use and Service of the Inland Revenue to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings; and for other purposes. [3rd June 1881.]

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 for all purposes as the Inland Revenue Buildings Act, 1881.

Lands, &c. in the United Kingdom for the service of the Inland Revenue to vest in Commissioners of Works.

2. All manors, messuages, buildings, lands, tenements, and hereditaments of freehold or leasehold tenure in the United Kingdom which are now vested in the secretary or joint secretaries to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, or any other person, in trust for Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, for the use and service of the Inland Revenue, shall become and are hereby vested in the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings (hereinafter called the Commissioners of Works) for the public service, and shall be subject to the provisions of the Act of the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter twenty-eight, in all respects as if the same had been acquired under the provisions of that Act.

Copyholds now vested in Commissioners of Inland Revenue to remain so, but in trust for Commissioners of Works.

3. All lands of copyhold or customary tenure which are now vested in the secretary or joint secretaries to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, or any other person, in trust for the same Commissioners, or for the service of the Inland Revenue, shall remain vested in such secretary or joint secretaries, or other person, but in trust for the Commissioners of Works for the public service, and shall be subject to the provisions of the said Act of the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter