provisions shall not authorise the Governors to relinquish any portion of the current interest due or to become due on such securities.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as the Incumbents of Benefices Loans Extension Act, 1881.

SCHEDULE.

17 Geo. III. c. 53.; 21 Geo. III. c. 66; 7 Geo. IV. c. 66; 1 & 2 Vict. c. 23; 1 & 2 Vict. c. 106; 28 & 29 Vict. c. 69; 34 & 35 Vict. c. 43; 35 & 36 Vict. c. 96.

CHAPTER 26.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the use of Gunpowder in certain Stratified Ironstone Mines.

[11th August 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:

Title of Act.

1. This Act may be cited as the Stratified Ironstone Mines (Gunpowder) Act, 1881.

Power to exempt ironstone mines from regulation as to cartridges under 35 & 36 Vict. c. 76. s. 51.

2. (1.) It shall be lawful for one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, if he shall think fit, on the application of the owner, agent, or manager of any stratified ironstone mine in the lias formation, to exempt such mine from so much of the general rule eight in the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1872, as forbids gunpowder or other explosives or inflammable substance from being taken into or being in the possession of any person in any mine except in cartridges.

(2.) The application shall be transmitted by the owner, agent, or manager to the inspector of the district, and the requirements of sections fifty-three and fifty-seven of the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1872, as to the posting of any proposed special rule, shall extend to any such application: Provided that the exemption shall not come into force until granted by the Secretary of State.

(3.) The Secretary of State may at any time revoke such exemption, but such revocation shall not come into force until written or printed notice thereof has been posted up at the mine for twenty-four hours.

(4.) A list of the exemptions granted or revoked under this Act shall be set forth by the inspector of the district in his annual report.

CHAPTER 27.

An Act to amend the Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act, 1855.

[11th August 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 as the Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act, 1855, Amendment Act, 1881.

Powers of sale to parochial boards. 18 & 19 Vict. c. 68.

2. Where the parochial board of any parish or united parish has provided or may hereafter provide a burial ground for such parish or united parish under the provisions of the Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act, 1855, and additional burial grounds, one or more, have been or may hereafter be provided for any such parish or united parish, the parochial board, under such restrictions and conditions as they think proper, may sell the exclusive rights mentioned in section eighteen of the said Act in the whole or such parts of any one or more of such additional burial grounds as the parochial board, with the sanction of the sheriff or sheriff substitute, shall appropriate for the purpose; and the provision in section eighteen of the said Act that such exclusive rights shall not extend in all to a space greater than one half of the burial ground provided by the parochial board shall not apply to the additional burial grounds aforesaid, if the sheriff, having regard to the requirements of the parish or united parish, is of opinion that the said provision should not be enforced.

CHAPTER 28.

An Act to make provision for the payment by reduced Instalments of Loans under the Seed Supply (Ireland) Act, 1880; and to amend and explain the Relief of Distress (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1880, and the Local Government Board (Ireland) Act, 1872.

[11th August 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 Parliament assembled, as follows:

Payment of seed loans. 43 Vict. c. 1. 43 & 44 Vict. c. 14.

1. The board of guardians of any union may, with the consent of the Local Government Board, divide, with reference to all or any of the electoral divisions of the union, each special rate which the guardians are empowered to make under the provisions of the seventh section of the Seed Supply (Ireland) Act, 1880, as amended by the Relief of Distress (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1880, into two equal special rates (in this Act referred to as reduced seed rates), so that the sum which under the provisions of the said Act should be levied in any one year by means of one special rate shall be levied in two consecutive years by means of two special rates. Where a resolution has been adopted by the board of guardians that such division should take effect, the first of the reduced seed rates shall be made at the same time as the first ordinary rate made for the relief of the poor in the union after the date of the resolution of the board of guardians. The subsequent reduced seed rates shall be made in consecutive years, one in every year, at the same time as the ordinary rate made for the relief of the poor in the union after the first day of August in each year.

The following conditions shall apply to every resolution of any board of guardians on the subject of the division of such special rates: