CHAPTER 16.

An Act to provide for the Protection of Dangerous Places on Canals in the County of London. [25th July 1898.]

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:

Dangerous places on canals to be protected.

1. If in the opinion of any local authority any part of a canal within the jurisdiction of that local authority, or the bank or towing-path thereof, is so insufficiently protected at any place where it abuts upon any public highway existing at the time of the passing of this Act as to involve danger to human life, such local authority may by notice in writing require the canal company to erect and maintain such fences, gates, turnstiles, or rails on any part of the bank or towing-path, or on adjacent property of the canal company, as may, in the opinion of the local authority, be required to obviate such danger: Provided that no fences, gates, turnstiles, or rails shall be required to be erected which would be between the waterway of the canal and the towing-path thereof, or which would otherwise interfere with the free passage of traffic along the canal or towing-path.

Appeal from requisition to court of summary jurisdiction.

2. If the canal company refuse to comply with any notice under this Act, or fail for one month from receipt of any such notice to comply therewith, it shall be lawful for a court of summary jurisdiction by order on complaint by the local authority to determine, after due inquiry, whether any such danger exists, and whether the works required by any such notice are necessary and such as the canal company may be reasonably required to carry out, and whether the whole or any of such works shall be carried out, and to limit a time within which any works shall be executed, and to determine whether the costs of any such works and the future maintenance thereof shall be borne by the local authority or the canal company, or in what proportions between them.

Execution of works by local authority.

3. If any such order be not complied with by the canal company within the time so limited, the local authority may execute the works necessary for compliance with such order, and may recover the costs thereof from the canal company, so far as payable by them.

Power to recover costs of works.

4. The costs of any works payable by the local authority or the canal company under this Act may be recovered from the party liable for the same in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Appeal from court of summary jurisdiction.

5. Any order of a court of summary jurisdiction under this Act shall be subject to appeal to the court of quarter sessions in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Commencement of Act.

6. This Act shall come into operation on, and shall take effect from the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

7. This Act shall apply only within the administrative county of London. Extent of Act.

8. In this Act— Interpretation.

"Canal company" means any company or person owning or in possession of a canal or any part thereof:

"Local authority" means and includes the London County Council, a vestry or district board of works under the Metropolis Management Acts, the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of the City of London, or the Woolwich Local Board of Health, as the case may require.

9. This Act may be cited as the Canals Protection (London) Act, 1898. Short title.

CHAPTER 17.

An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Solicitors and to the service of Indentured Apprentices in Ireland. [25th July 1898.]

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:

Preliminary.

1. This Act may be cited as the Solicitors (Ireland) Act, 1898. Short title.

2. This Act shall extend to Ireland only. Extent of Act.

3. This Act shall, so far as regards the power of the Lord Chancellor and certain of the judges of the High Court and of the Incorporated Law Society to make regulations hereunder, and so far as regards the issue of notices and other proceedings preliminary to holding the first examinations hereunder, come into operation on the passing hereof, and for all other purposes shall come into operation on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. Commencement of Act.

4. In this Act "Lord Chancellor" includes Lords Commissioners and Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Ireland: Interpretation of terms.

"Solicitor" means solicitor of the Supreme Court:

"Registrar" means the registrar of solicitors:

"The Incorporated Law Society" or "the Society" means "the Incorporated Law Society of Ireland" acting under their present or any future charters:

"Preliminary examination" means an examination in general knowledge of persons seeking to become bound under indentures of apprenticeship to solicitors: