CHAPTER 56.

An Act to declare the Law relating to the Incorporation of Chartered Companies. [14th August 1884.]

WHEREAS by an Act of the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter seventy-three, entitled "An Act for "better enabling Her Majesty to confer certain powers and im- "munities on trading and other companies," it was enacted that it should be lawful for Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, in any charter of incorporation to be thereafter granted to limit the duration thereof for any term or number of years, or for any other period whatsoever:

And whereas provision has in many charters of incorporation been made for the cessation of the privileges conferred by such charters after a limited time:

And whereas with a view of preventing the cessation of such privileges, supplemental charters and warrants and documents under the sign manual of Her Majesty have from time to time been granted, continuing for a further limited time the privileges granted by the said charters, or some of such privileges, and it is expedient to remove doubts with respect to such charters, warrants, and other documents:

Be it declared and 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:

Power of Her Majesty to renew terms of charters.

1. The enactment contained in the twenty-ninth section of the said Act of the first year of Her Majesty, chapter seventy-three, shall be construed as from the date thereof to have authorised and to authorise Her Majesty, by charter or by warrant or other writing under her sign-manual, from time to time, and whensoever to Her Majesty may have seemed or seem expedient, to extend or renew conditionally or unconditionally any term or number of years or other period for which any charter of incorporation granted by Her Majesty, or any privileges of such charter may for the time being be limited to endure.

CHAPTER 57.

An Act to extend certain Powers given by the Superannuation Act Amendment Act, 1873. [14th August 1884.]

22 Vict. c. 26.

WHEREAS by the Superannuation Act, 1859, it is enacted that for the purposes of that Act no person thereafter to be appointed shall be deemed to have served in the Permanent Civil Service of the State unless such person holds his appointment directly from the Crown, or has been admitted into the Civil Service with a certificate from the Civil Service Commissioners:

And whereas it appears that in several public departments of the State persons have been appointed since the passing of the said Act to established situations in the Civil Service not held directly from