CHAPTER 13.

An Act to prevent the Administration of Poisonous Drugs to Horses and other Animals. [1st June 1876.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision against the practice of administering poisonous drugs to horses and other animals by disqualified persons, and without the knowledge and consent of the owners of such horses and animals:

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:

Penalty on giving poisonous drugs to horses, &c. unlawfully.

1. If any person wilfully and unlawfully administers to or causes to be administered to or taken by any horse, cattle, or domestic animal any poisonous or injurious drug or substance, he shall (unless some reasonable cause or excuse is shown on his behalf) be liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, or at the discretion of the court, to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for any term not exceeding one month in the case of a first offence, or three months in the case of a second or any subsequent offence.

Saving of persons qualified, &c.

2. Nothing in this Act shall extend to any person being owner or acting by authority of the owner of the horse, cattle, or other animal to which any drug or substance is administered.

Saving of other laws.

3. Nothing in this Act shall exempt a person from liability to any greater or other punishment under any other Act or law, so that he be not more than once punished for the same offence.

Prosecution.

4. Any offence against this Act may be prosecuted in the manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts before two justices of the peace.

Extent of Act.

5. This Act shall not extend to Scotland or to Ireland.

Short title.

6. This Act may be cited as the "Drugging of Animals Act, 1876."

CHAPTER 14.

An Act to extend the provisions of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Act, 1866, to the Accounts of the Commissioners for the Government of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea. [1st June 1876.]

2 & 3 Will. 4. c. 53.

WHEREAS by sections forty and forty-one of the Army Prize Act, 1832, it is enacted that the deputy treasurer of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea (in this Act referred to as Chelsea Hospital) shall lay annually before both Houses of Parliament an account in the form therein mentioned, and that the treasurer or deputy treasurer of the said Hospital shall render to the Commissioners thereof an account of their receipts and payments as therein mentioned, and the Commissioners are authorised to examine, audit, and finally pass the same:

5 & 6 Will. 4. c. 35.

And whereas in pursuance of the Paymaster General Act, 1835, all the powers and duties of the treasurer of Chelsea Hospital are now vested in Her Majesty's Paymaster General:

29 & 30 Vict. c. 39.

And whereas by section thirty-three of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Act, 1866, the Comptroller and Auditor-General is directed to examine and audit, if required so to do by the Treasury, in accordance with regulations of the Treasury, the accounts therein mentioned; and it is expedient to extend the said enactment to the accounts of Chelsea Hospital:

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:

Extension of 29 & 30 Vict. c. 39. to accounts of Chelsea Hospital.

1. The Exchequer and Audit Departments Act, 1866, shall apply to the accounts of the receipts and expenditure of the Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital for services other than those voted by Parliament in like manner as if those accounts were mentioned in section thirty-three of the said Act. The accounts, together with the report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within one month after he has audited the same.

Sections forty and forty-one of the Army Prize Act, 1832, are hereby repealed, as from the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, without prejudice to anything done or suffered under the said enactments; and the accounts of all receipts and expenses prior to the said date shall be laid before Parliament, and may be examined, audited, and passed, as if this Act had not passed.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the Chelsea Hospital Act, 1876.[1]

The Acts in the schedule to this Act are in this Act referred to by the short titles therein mentioned.

SCHEDULE.

Session and Chapter.	Title.	Short Title.
2 & 3 Will. 4. c. 53.	An Act for consolidating and amending the laws relating to the payment of army prize money.	The Army Prize Act, 1832.
5 & 6 Will. 4. c. 35.	An Act for consolidating the offices of Paymaster General, Paymaster and Treasurer of Chelsea Hospital, Treasurer of the Navy, and Treasurer of the Ordnance.	The Paymaster General Act, 1835.

CHAPTER 15.

An Act to apply the sum of Eleven million pounds out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven. [1st June 1876.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, towards making good the supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your Majesty the sum 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 11,000,000*l.* out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 31st March 1877.

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 year ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, the sum of eleven million pounds.

Power to the Treasury to borrow.

2. 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 eleven million