than by agreement) shall be incorporated with the Congested Districts Board (Ireland) Acts, and the enactments so incorporated shall be construed as if the Congested Districts Board were the promoters of the undertaking.

Officers of the Board.

3.—(1.) The Lord Lieutenant may, with the sanction of the Treasury as to number and remuneration, authorise the Congested Districts Board to appoint to the permanent staff of the Land Commission such officers as may be required for the purposes of the Board.

(2.) Every officer so appointed, not being the secretary or assistant secretary, shall be selected by open competition in accordance with regulations made by the Civil Service Commissioners and approved by the Lord Lieutenant.

(3.) The Lord Lieutenant may also, with the sanction of the Treasury as to number and as to remuneration payable out of moneys voted by Parliament, authorise the Board to employ temporarily such persons as the Board may require.

(4.) Sub-section one of section forty of the Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891, is hereby repealed.

Short title.

4.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Congested Districts Board (Ireland) Act, 1894.

54 & 55 Vict. c. 48. 55 & 56 Vict. c. 61. 56 & 57 Vict. c. 35.

(2.) Part Two of the Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891, section four of the Public Works Loan Act, 1892, the Congested Districts Board (Ireland) Act, 1893, and this Act, are referred to in this Act as the Congested Districts Board (Ireland) Acts, and, together with this Act, may be cited collectively.

CHAPTER 51.

An Act to make better provision for the Regulation of Chimney Sweepers. [25th August 1894.]

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 for knocking or ringing bells.

1. Any person who shall for the purpose of soliciting employment as a chimney sweeper knock at the houses from door to door, or ring a bell, or use any noisy instrument, or to the annoyance of any inhabitant thereof ring the door-bell of any house, or cause anyone to do any of the acts aforesaid, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding ten shillings for the first offence, and to a penalty not exceeding twenty shillings for every subsequent offence.

Application of fees.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 70.

2. All fees received under the Chimney Sweepers Act, 1875, in England shall be paid to the pension fund of the police force of the police district in which the certificate under the said Act was issued.

3. This Act may be cited as the Chimney Sweepers Act, 1894, and shall be read as one with the Chimney Sweepers Act, 1875. Short title and construction.

4. This Act shall not apply to Scotland. Extent of Act.

5. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five. Commencement of Act.

CHAPTER 52.

An Act to amend the Provisions of the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887, with respect to Check Weighers.

[25th August 1894.]

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:

1. If the owner, agent, or manager of any mine, or any person employed by or acting under the instructions of any such owner, agent, or manager, interferes with the appointment of a check weigher, or refuses to afford proper facilities for the holding of any meeting for the purpose of making such appointment, in any case in which the persons entitled to make the appointment do not possess or are unable to obtain a suitable meeting place, or attempts, whether by threats, bribes, promises, notice of dismissal, or otherwise howsoever, to exercise improper influence in respect of such appointment, or to induce the persons entitled to appoint a check weigher, or any of them, not to re-appoint a check weigher, or to vote for or against any particular person or class of persons in the appointment of a check weigher, such owner, agent, or manager shall be guilty of an offence against the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887. Penalty for interference with office of check weigher. 50 & 51 Vict. c. 58.

2. This Act may be cited as the Coal Mines (Check Weigher) Act, 1894. Short title.

CHAPTER 53.

An Act to make better provision for the Equalisation of Rates as between the different parts of London.

[25th August 1894.]

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:

1.—(1.) For aiding the equalisation of the rates in London, the London County Council shall in every year form a fund (in this Equalisation of sanitary authorities