CHAPTER ii.

An Act for making better provision for the payment of Superannuation and other Allowances in the Police Force of the City of London; and for other purposes. A.D. 1874.

[21st May 1874.]

WHEREAS in 1839 an Act was passed "for regulating the Police in the City of London" (in this Act referred to as the City Police Act of 1839): 2 & 3 Vict. c. xciv.

And whereas under the City Police Act, 1839 (sections 57 and 58) the expenses of the city police force are defrayed as to one fourth thereof by the mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London (in this Act called the corporation) out of their revenues and possessions, and as to the remaining three fourths by means of rates (in this Act called the city police rates) levied on houses in the city of London and the liberties thereof by the mayor, aldermen, and commons of the city of London in common council assembled (in this Act called the common council), the rates being thereby limited not to exceed in any one year the sum of eightpence in the pound on the net annual value of all such houses:

And whereas by the City Police Act of 1839 (sections 11 and 12) provision was made for the formation of a fund called the city police superannuation fund, and for the payment thereout by order of the common council of yearly allowances (as therein specified) to constables of the city police force ordered by the common council to be superannuated:

And whereas the city police superannuation fund will become insufficient for its purposes:

And whereas the corporation desire and it is expedient that they be empowered to supply any deficiency of that fund out of their revenues and possessions and the city police rates in the proportions in which the expenses of the city police are defrayed thereout:

And whereas the corporation desire and it is expedient that provision be also made for the payment of pensions to the commissioner and other officers of and persons employed in or in con-

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nexion with the city police force on their retirement from office or employment, to be payable from the like sources as the expenses of the city police force:

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be attained without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please 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; (that is to say,)

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the City of London Police Act, 1874.

Supply of deficiency in city police superannuation fund.

2. If the city police superannuation fund is at any time insufficient for payment of the allowances payable thereout, there shall be paid to that fund under order of the common council such sum as is for the time being requisite to make good the deficiency.

Power to grant allowance to commissioner, &c.

3. The common council may, if in any case they think fit, grant to the commissioner or surgeon or any officer of the city police force, or to any clerk or person employed in or in connexion with that force, on his retirement from office or employment, such yearly allowance, (not exceeding in any case two thirds of the salary of which the grantee was in receipt at the time of his retirement,) payable for such time and on such terms and conditions as they think fit. Such allowances are to be considered as part of the expenses of the police force, but this section is not to apply to or affect the constables of the force.

Money for Act to be provided as for ordinary police expenses.

4. All money from time to time required for the execution of this Act shall be provided by and in the like means and proportions as money required for defraying the expenses of the city police force is provided under the City Police Act of 1839; but nothing in this Act shall authorise the levying of city police rates in any year to an amount exceeding that limited by the City Police Act of 1839.

Expenses of Act.

5. The cost, charges, and expenses preliminary to and of and incidental to the preparing of and applying for and the obtaining and passing of this Act, shall be paid by the corporation as part of the expenses of the city police force.

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