'And whereas it is expedient that the said several Acts for 'making, amending, or repairing Turnpike Roads in *Ireland* 'shall be further continued:' 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, That any Act for making, amending, or repairing any Turnpike Road or Roads in *Ireland*, which will expire on the said Thirty-first Day of *July* in the present Year, or during or with the present or next ensuing Session of Parliament, shall be and the same is hereby continued, as amended by the said recited Act of the Fourth and Fifth Years of Her Majesty's Reign, until the Thirty-first Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and forty-four, or if Parliament be then sitting, until the End of the then Session of Parliament.

Acts for making or repairing Turnpike Roads in Ireland further continued.

CAP. XXII.

An Act to authorize the Legislatures of certain of Her Majesty's Colonies to pass Laws for the Admission, in certain Cases, of unsworn Testimony in Civil and Criminal Proceedings. [31st *May* 1843.]

'WHEREAS there are resident within the Limits of or in 'Countries adjacent to divers of the *British* Colonies 'and Plantations abroad various Tribes of barbarous and 'uncivilized People, who, being destitute of the Knowledge 'of God and of any religious Belief, are incapable of giving 'Evidence on Oath in any Court of Justice within such 'Colonies or Plantations: And whereas Doubts have arisen 'whether any Laws which have been or which might be made 'by the Legislatures of such Colonies respectively to provide 'for the Admissibility in such Courts of the Evidence of such 'Persons are not or would not be repugnant to the Law of '*England*, and therefore null and void; and it is expedient 'that such Doubts should be removed:' 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, That no Law or Ordinance made or to be made by the Legislature of any *British* Colony for the Admission of the Evidence of any such Persons as aforesaid in any Court or before any Magistrate within any such Colony shall be or be deemed to have been null and void or invalid by reason of any Repugnancy or supposed Repugnancy of any such Enactment to the Law of *England*, but that every Law or Ordinance made or to be made by any such Legislature as aforesaid, for the Admission before any such Court or Magistrate of the Evidence of any such Persons as aforesaid on any Conditions thereby imposed, shall have such and the same Effect, and shall be subject to the Confirmation or Disallowance of Her Majesty in such and the same Manner,

Laws or Ordinances made by the Legislatures of British Colonies for Admission of the Evidence of certain Persons residing therein shall have the same Effect as other Colonial Laws.

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as any other Law or Ordinance enacted for any other Purpose by any such Colonial Legislature.

II. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present Session of Parliament. Act may be amended, &c.

CAP. XXIII.

An Act to amend and explain an Act for the Commutation of certain Manorial Rights in respect of Lands of Copyhold and Customary Tenure, and in respect of other Lands subject to such Rights, and for facilitating the Enfranchisement of such Lands, and for the Improvement of such Tenure.

[27th *June* 1843.]

'WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen *Victoria*, intituled *An Act for the Commutation of certain Manorial Rights in respect of Lands of Copyhold and Customary Tenure, and in respect of other Lands subject to such Rights, and for facilitating the Enfranchisement of such Lands, and for the Improvement of such Tenure;* and it is expedient to amend and explain the said Act in certain respects:' 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, That, in addition and subject to the Provisions contained in the said Act, any Enfranchisement made under the same may be made, either wholly or in part, for the Consideration of a Grant of an annual Rent in Fee to be thenceforth charged on and issuing out of the Lands enfranchised, such annual Rent to be valued in like Manner and be subject to the like Variation as the Commutation Rent-charge under the Provisions of the said Act; and that, in addition and subject to the Provisions contained in the said Act, any Commutation or Enfranchisement made under the same may be made, either wholly or in part, for the Consideration of a Conveyance of Lands Parcel of the same Manor as the Lands commuted or enfranchised, and subject to the same Uses and Trusts as the Lands commuted or enfranchised shall be subject to at the Time of such Commutation or Enfranchisement, or any Right to Mines or Minerals in or under such Lands, or any Right to Waste in Lands belonging to such Manor. 4 & 5 Vict. c. 35. Enfranchisement may be made in consideration of an annual Rent, and Commutation may be made in consideration of the Conveyance of Lands subject to the same Uses as those commuted, or any Right to Mines or Minerals.

II. And be it enacted, That if the Consideration for the Enfranchisement under the said Act shall be either wholly or in part the Grant of an annual Rent, then it shall be lawful for the Person empowered by the said Act to obtain the Enfranchisement of such Lands to grant such annual Rent to the Person enfranchising such Lands, and his Heirs, to the Uses and upon and for the Trusts, Intents, and Purposes to, upon, and for which the Manor of which such Lands are Parcel shall be Power to the Person obtaining the Enfranchisement of Lands to grant an annual Rent in consideration of such Enfranchisement.