the purpose by the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and unless no other suitable place is in the opinion of the Board of Trade available, shall not be held in a court ordinarily used as a police court.

Rules to be laid before Parliament.

4. Any general rule made in pursuance of this Act shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within thirty days after it is made, if Parliament be then sitting, or if not, within thirty days after the commencement of the then next ensuing session.

Commencement of Act.

5. This Act shall commence and come into operation on the first day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine: Provided that any rules which may be required for the purposes of this Act may be made at any time before the commencement of this Act, but, if so made, shall not come into operation until the commencement of this Act.

CHAPTER 73.

An Act to authorise the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods and Forests and Land Revenues to agree with the Conservators of the River Thames on the Payments for Piers or Landing-places in or upon the Bed or Shore of the River Thames. [15th August 1879.]

20 & 21 Vict. c. cxlvii.

WHEREAS under the Thames Conservancy Act, 1857, the Conservators of the River Thames (in this Act referred to as the Conservators) are required annually to render to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues (in this Act referred to as the Commissioners), on behalf of Her Majesty, a correct schedule and account (among other matters) of sales, leases, or grants of piers and landing-places in or upon any portions of the bed or shores of the River Thames, and of all rents, revenues, and proceeds of what nature or kind soever accruing or arising from the bed or shores of the River Thames, and further to pay over to the Commissioners one equal third part of all such rents and proceeds:

And whereas under the said Act the Conservators have erected or acquired, by means of moneys derived from the Conservancy Fund, certain piers and landing-places in or upon a portion of the bed or shore of the River Thames, which piers and landing-places are under their management:

And whereas it is expedient to authorise the Commissioners and the Conservators to agree upon the annual payments to be made by the Conservators to the Commissioners for such piers and landing-places:

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 bb the authority of the same, as follows:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Commissioners of Woods (Thames Piers) Act, 1879.

Power to Commissioners and Conservators to agree as to

2. The Commissioners, or one of them, acting with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and the Conservators may from time to time make, and when made revoke and

rents for piers, &c.

vary agreements respecting the annual payments to be made from time to time hereafter by the Conservators to the Commissioners, or which heretofore should have been so made in respect of all or any of the piers or landing-places in or upon any portions of the bed or shores of the River Thames erected or acquired by the Conservators either before or after the passing of this Act, and under the management of the Conservators.

All sums paid to the Commissioners in pursuance of any such agreement shall be applied (in like manner as sums received by the Commissioners from the Conservators under the Thames Conservancy Act, 1857,) as part of the hereditary possessions and land revenues of the Crown.

20 & 21 Vict. c. cxlvii.

Exception of piers, &c. from 20 & 21 Vict. c. cxlvii. ss. 103, 104.

3. Sections one hundred and three and one hundred and four of the Thames Conservancy Act, 1857, (which relate to the account of rents, revenues, and proceeds as above mentioned, and to the payment of one third of those rents and proceeds to the Commissioners,) shall not apply to any rents, revenues, or proceeds received by the Conservators in respect of any piers or landing-places the annual payments in respect of which are the subject of an agreement under this Act.

Limitation of Act.

4. Nothing in this Act contained shall be held to authorise the Conservators to erect, acquire, or retain any piers or landing-places which they were not authorised to erect, acquire, or retain before the passing of this Act.

CHAPTER 74.

An Act for improving the position of the Teachers of National Schools in Ireland. [15th August 1879.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for the superannuation of the teachers of national schools in Ireland, and to afford greater facilities for providing residences for such teachers as expressed by this Act:

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:

Preliminary.

Short title and commencement of Act.

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the National School Teachers (Ireland) Act, 1879, and shall, except as otherwise expressed, commence and come into operation on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighty.

Interpretation of terms.

2. In this Act the term "the Lord Lieutenant" means the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being:

The term "the Commissioners of Education" means the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland:

The term "the Treasury" means the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury:

The term "prescribed" means prescribed by rules to be made by the Treasury with the consent of the Lord Lieutenant: