CHAPTER 34.

An Act to extend the operation of the Improvement of Land Act, 1864, so far as regards Scotland.

[24th August 1893.]

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:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Improvement of Land (Scotland) Act, 1893.

Extension of 27 & 28 Vict. c. 114. s. 9.

2. The enumeration of improvements contained in section nine of the Improvement of Land Act, 1864, is hereby extended for the purposes of applications made to the Board of Agriculture after the commencement of this Act, so as to include the planting of woods or trees.

Extent of Act.

3. This Act shall apply to Scotland only.

CHAPTER 35.

An Act to amend the power of the Congested Districts Board for Ireland so far as respects the Purchase and Holding of Property. [24th August 1893.]

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:

Short title and construction.

1. This Act may be cited as the Congested Districts Board (Ireland) Act, 1893, and shall be construed as one with Part Two of the Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891.

Acquisition of land and holding of property by Congested Districts Board.

54 & 55 Vict. c. 48.

2.—(1.) The Congested Districts Board for Ireland may acquire land for the purposes of Part Two of the Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891, and of enlarging small holdings in a congested districts county, and shall be landlords of all land so acquired within the meaning of the Land Purchase (Ireland) Acts, 1870 to 1891.

(2.) For the purpose of holding land so acquired, or any property given to or investments made by or securities given to the Board, the names of such two members of the Board, as the Board from time to time appoint, shall be enrolled in the High Court as "Trustees of the Congested Districts Board for Ireland"; and land, securities, and other property acquired by or given to the Board shall be held by such trustees under that name in trust for the Board, and notwithstanding any change in the persons who are trustees, shall, without any conveyance or assurance, vest in the trustees for the time being so enrolled, and shall be dealt with by them as the Congested Districts Board direct.

(3.) All land heretofore acquired by the Land Commission on behalf of the Congested Districts Board shall, upon the enrolment of trustees under this Act, vest in those trustees by virtue of this Act without any conveyance, and shall be deemed to have been duly acquired by the Congested Districts Board for the purposes authorised by this Act.

(4.) So much of section thirty-nine of the Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891, as relates to the acquiring and holding of land by the Land Commission, and sub-section five of section forty of the said Act, are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 36.

An Act to amend the Law of Distress and Small Debts (Ireland) Act, 1888. [24th August 1893.]

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 :

Construction and short title. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 47.

1. This Act shall be read with the Law of Distress and Small Debts (Ireland) Act, 1888, herein called the principal Act, as if it were part of the same, save where inconsistent therewith; and these Acts may be cited as the Law of Distress and Small Debts (Ireland) Acts, 1888 and 1893.

Commencement of Act.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of November one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

Interpretation.

3. In Part II. of the principal Act "distress" shall mean and be confined to distresses for rent where the amount due and distrained for shall not exceed twenty pounds.

Decrees, dismisses, &c.

4. All decrees and dismisses and all money orders leviable by the sheriff made by the Recorder of Dublin where the amount decreed, including costs, shall not exceed twenty pounds shall be executed either by the sheriff of the county of the city of Dublin or his bailiff, or by a bailiff appointed under Part II. of the principal Act. In such last-mentioned case the sheriff shall be entitled to receive from the execution-creditor a fee of one shilling for signing the warrant, and all the provisions of Part II. of the principal Act shall apply.

Amendment of 51 & 52 Vict. c. 47. s. 8.

5. Section eight of Part II. of the principal Act shall be read as if the word "ten" instead of "five" were inserted therein.