pounds by way of composition for the principal and interest of the said loan, and it is expedient to authorise the Commissioners to accept the same: Be it therefore enacted as follows:

The Public Works Loan Commissioners may compound the debt due to them from the parish of Whitchurch, in the county of Southampton, in respect of the said loan for the sum of one thousand pounds, and on the payment of that sum to the Commissioners the said debt shall be extinguished.

Commencement of Act.

4. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

CHAPTER 20.

An Act to fix the Salaries of the Members of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and to amend the eleventh section of the Constabulary (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1870. [12th July 1877.]

37 & 38 Vict. c. 80.

WHEREAS by section two of the Constabulary (Ireland) Act, 1874, provision was made for the grant of revised salaries to the members of the Constabulary Force in Ireland; and the continuance of the payment of the said revised salaries is now by law limited to the first day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, and it is expedient that such limitation should be repealed, and provision should be made for continuing the payment of such revised salaries; and also for amending the eleventh section of the Constabulary (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1870:

33 & 34 Vict. c. 83.

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:

Continuation of revised salaries.

1. From and after the passing of this Act, so much of the Act passed in the session of Parliament, held in the thirty-eighth and thirty-ninth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter forty-four, as limits to the first day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, the time during which the revised salaries therein mentioned shall continue to be paid shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and the said salaries shall continue to be paid from and after the first day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven from time to time as and when they shall become due respectively.

Amendment of 33 & 34 Vict. c. 83.

2. It shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council in Ireland, to alter or vary from time to time the numbers of sub-inspectors and head constables fixed by the eleventh section of the Constabulary (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1870, to such numbers as the Lord Lieutenant, by and with such advice as aforesaid, may from time to time consider to be required, not exceeding the numbers fixed by the said section for each of the said ranks respectively.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Constabulary (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1877."

CHAPTER 21.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Prisons in England. [12th July 1877.]

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: