CHAPTER 28.

An Act to repeal the Convention (Ireland) Act, passed in the Irish Parliament in the thirty-third year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, and to amend and declare the Law in certain cases in respect to Assemblies and Public Meetings. [21st July 1879.]

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:

Repeal of 33 G. 3. c. 29. (I.)

1. A certain Act of the Parliament of Ireland, passed in the thirty-third year of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to prevent the election or appointment of unlawful "assemblies under pretence of presenting public petitions or other "addresses to His Majesty or the Parliament," shall be and is hereby repealed.

Re-enactment of part of repealed Act.

2. Notwithstanding the repeal of the aforesaid Act of the Irish Parliament, it shall equally continue and shall be an offence punishable with fine and imprisonment, or with one only of such punishments, at the discretion of the Court before which the offender is convicted, for any person or persons, either as elector, candidate, or representative, to take part in the election or proceedings of any assembly, other than Parliament as by law constituted, which shall propose to take or shall take upon itself, or wilfully permit to be attributed to it the functions of either House of Parliament, or any of them, or having for its object or tendency to bring Parliament into hatred or contempt.

This Act shall not exempt any person from any proceeding for an offence punishable at common law or under any statute.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Convention (Ireland) Act Repeal Act, 1879.

CHAPTER 29.

An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of certain Marriages of British subjects on board Her Majesty's ships. [21st July 1879.]

WHEREAS officers commanding Her Majesty's ships on foreign stations have permitted marriages to be solemnized according to religious rites or ceremonies, or to be contracted per verba de presenti in the presence of such officers, in the belief that marriages were authorised by law to be so solemnized and contracted, and doubts have arisen with respect to the validity of such marriages, and it is expedient to confirm the same:

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:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Confirmation of Marriages on Her Majesty's Ships Act, 1879.