(*c.*) "Fishmongers Company" shall mean the wardens and commonalty of the Mistery of Fishmongers of the city of London;

(*d.*) "Salmon trout and char" shall include part of any such fish respectively.

CHAPTER 51.

An Act to make provision in regard to the Distribution and Application of Sums from time to time paid to the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account and in regard to the Fee Grant in Scotland. [27th June 1892.]

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 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 22 (in part).

1.—(1.) So much of section twenty-two of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as provides for the application of any balance of moneys standing to the credit of the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account towards relief from the payment of school fees in the State-aided schools in Scotland, is hereby repealed as from the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, without prejudice to any right accrued before that day, or to the distribution of the moneys referred to in the said section in so far as hereby unrepealed, and in lieu thereof it is enacted as follows:

Fee grant in Scotland.

After the financial year ending the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, there shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament an annual grant towards relief from the payment of school fees in the State-aided schools in Scotland, of two hundred and sixty-five thousand pounds (or of such other amount as Parliament may determine, having regard to the amount of the fee grant under the Elementary Education Act, 1891), and that grant (in this Act called the fee grant in Scotland) shall be distributed in such manner and in accordance with such conditions as may be set forth in the Scotch Education Code annually submitted to Parliament.

(2.) For the purpose of section nineteen of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, the fee grant paid or payable to a school shall be deemed to be income derived from a source other than the parliamentary grant.

Application of certain sums to the credit of the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account.

2. Whereas under the provisions of the immediately preceding section sums standing to the credit of the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account, and hitherto applicable as in such section mentioned, will be available for application to other purposes; be it enacted that until Parliament otherwise determines out of the said account sums

shall be applied annually by or under the direction of the Secretary for Scotland in manner following; (that is to say,)

(1.) In transferring to the Scotch Education Department a sum of sixty thousand pounds in aid of the cost of secondary education in Scotland, and in particular for the purposes following; (that is to say,)

(*a.*) Defraying the cost of the inspection of higher class schools in Scotland and of the holding of examinations for and granting the leaving certificates of the Scotch Education Department; and

(*b.*) Making provision for secondary education, under Minutes of the Department submitted to Parliament, in urban and rural districts in Scotland, provided that no aid shall be given to any school not being either a school under the same management as a State-aided school or a higher class public school, or a school managed under the provisions of any Act of Parliament, or scheme, or provisional order issued pursuant to an Act of Parliament.

(2.) In distributing a sum of thirty thousand pounds among the Universities of Scotland in such manner and in accordance with such conditions as may be set forth in an Ordinance or Ordinances of the Commissioners under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

52 & 53 Vict. c. 55.

(3.) In distributing a sum of twenty-five thousand pounds among the parochial boards in Scotland as a further contribution to the cost of maintenance of pauper lunatics chargeable to such boards in the same manner and subject to the same regulations as nearly as may be as are applicable to the grant for the same purpose under section twenty-two of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

(4.) In distributing a sum of fifty thousand pounds among the parochial boards in Scotland in proportion to the valuations and populations of their respective parishes as such valuations and populations shall be ascertained by the Secretary for Scotland at the date of such distribution, the share falling to such parochial boards respectively to be applied to the relief of local rates levied by them respectively in such manner as they may determine.

(5.) In distributing a sum of one hundred thousand pounds (or such other sum as with the sums directed to be applied under the provisions of the preceding subsections of this section will be equal to the fee grant in Scotland payable under the provisions of the preceding section of this Act) among the county councils of counties and town councils acting as such or as police commissioners of burghs, and police commissioners of police burghs, in Scotland, in proportion to the respective valuations and populations of such counties and burghs and police burghs as such valuations and populations shall be ascertained by the Secretary for Scotland at the date of such distribution, the share falling to such councils and commissioners respectively to be applied—

(*a.*) to the relief of local rates levied by them, or

(*b.*) in aid of the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, under any statutory power from time to time vested in them respectively in such manner as they may determine, or

(*c.*) under any scheme of public utility framed by them respectively, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland.

(6.) The balance (if any) standing to the credit of the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account shall be applied as an addition to the fee grant in Scotland and be distributed accordingly.

Any moneys received by a county council or a town council or police commissioners under this section, and directed by resolution to be appropriated or to be set aside for any purpose authorised by this section other than the relief of the rates shall, although not expended or specifically contributed or allotted in whole or in part before the end of the financial year, remain applicable for such purposes.

Allocation of fees and compensation to certain teachers for loss of fees.

3. Notwithstanding any provisions in any statute, scheme, provisional order, deed, or instrument, it shall be lawful for the governing body or managers, whether school board or other, of any school to which a grant is made under the provisions of section two, sub-section one, of this Act at any time and from time to time to alter or reduce the fees exigible therein, or to regulate the disposal or application of such fees: Provided, that any teacher of a higher class public school, appointed before the passing of this Act, having a vested right to fees exigible in such school, shall be entitled to receive from the school board compensation in respect of any loss sustained by him under the provisions of this section, and such compensation, failing agreement, may be determined finally by the sheriff, and shall be payable out of the school fund.

Short title and construction.

4.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892.

(2.) This Act shall be construed as one with the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

CHAPTER 52.

An Act to authorise an Advance to the Government of the Province of British Columbia. [27th June 1892.]

WHEREAS an arrangement has been made with the Government of the Province of British Columbia for the transfer to and settlement upon the sea coast and islands of that province of a number of families from the parishes in Scotland to which the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, by virtue of a determination under section nineteen of that Act, applies (in this Act referred to as "crofter parishes"), and with a view to carrying into effect the arrangement, it is expedient to authorise a temporary advance out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom to the said Government: