CHAPTER 10.

An Act to enable Parish Councillors to hold Office for Three Years. [20th June 1899.]

56 & 57 Vict. c. 73.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Local Government Act, 1894, and to make provisions for the election of parish councils triennially instead of annually:

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:

Term of office of parish councillor.

1.—(1.) From and after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred, subsections three, four, and seven of section three of the Local Government Act, 1894, shall be repealed, and the same are hereby repealed accordingly.

(2.) The term of office of a parish councillor shall be three years.

(3.) On the fifteenth day of April, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one, and on the fifteenth day of April in every third year then following, parish councillors shall go out of office, and their places shall be filled by the newly-elected councillors.

(4.) The term "ordinary" shall be deemed to be substituted for the word "annual" in subsection one of section forty-seven of the Local Government Act, 1894.

(5.) The parish council shall in every year on or within seven days of the fifteenth day of April, hold an annual meeting.

Extent of Act.

2. This Act shall not apply to Scotland or Ireland.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as the Parish Councillors (Tenure of Office) Act, 1899.

CHAPTER 11.

An Act to assimilate the Law of Scotland and of Ireland as to Imprisonment in Default of Payment of Fines to that of England. [13th July 1899.]

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:

Release of prisoner on payment of portion of fine.

1. Where a person is committed to prison for non-payment of a sum adjudged to be paid by the conviction of any court of summary jurisdiction, then, on payment to the governor of the prison, under conditions prescribed by prison rules, of any sum in part satisfaction of the sum so adjudged to be paid, and of any charges for which the prisoner is liable, the term of imprisonment shall be reduced by a number of days bearing as nearly as possible the same

proportion to the total number of days for which the prisoner is sentenced as the sum so paid bears to the sum for which he is so liable.

Application to Scotland and construction and commencement.

2. In the application of this Act to Scotland—

Application of moneys. 27 & 28 Vict. c. 53.

(1.) Provision may be made by Act of Adjournal under section thirty-three of the Summary Procedure Act, 1864, for the application of sums paid under this Act, and for any matter incidental thereto:

40 & 41 Vict. c. 53.

(2.) This Act shall be read as one with the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, and may be cited with the Prisons (Scotland) Acts, 1860 to 1887: provided that in this Act the expression "prison" shall include police cells declared legal prisons in terms of the said Acts, and the expression "governor" shall include any officer in charge of such police cells.

Application to Ireland.

3. In the application of this Act to Ireland—

14 & 15 Vict. c. 90.

(1.) Provision may be made by regulations under section six of the Fines (Ireland) Act, 1851, for the application of sums paid under this Act, and for any matter incidental thereto:

40 & 41 Vict. c. 49.

(2.) Prison rules for the purpose of this Act may be made by the General Prisons Board for Ireland, subject to the approval of the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council, and section fifty-seven of the General Prisons (Ireland) Act, 1877, shall apply to such rules:

(3.) This Act may be cited with the Prisons (Ireland) Acts, 1826 to 1884.

Commencement of Act.

4. *This Act shall* come into operation in each country respectively on the date at which the first prison rules made thereunder for that country come into force.

Extent of Act.

5. This Act shall not apply to England and Wales.

Short title.

6. This Act may be cited as the Fine or Imprisonment (Scotland and Ireland) Act, 1899.

CHAPTER 12.

An Act to amend the Law with regard to Reformatory Schools. [13th July 1899.]

WHEREAS by section one of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1893, a court is empowered to order that, in certain cases therein stated, a youthful offender shall be sent to a reformatory school:

And whereas it is expedient that where a court orders a youthful offender to be sent to a reformatory school, that offender shall not in the first instance be sent to a prison: