(4) The Order may, for the purpose of facilitating the establishment of juvenile courts, provide for the discontinuance of any of the existing police courts or for the use of an existing police court solely for the purposes of a juvenile court: Provided that an existing police court shall not be discontinued under this section until a public inquiry into the needs of the district has been held by a person appointed for that purpose by the Secretary of State.

Short title. 2. This Act may be cited as the Juvenile Courts (Metropolis) Act, 1920.

CHAPTER 69.

An Act to amend the law relating to the appointment of a Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Scotland. [23rd December 1920.]

BE it enacted by the King'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:

Secretary of Scotland to appoint a Registrar General of Births, &c. in Scotland. 42 & 43 Vict. c. 44.

1. Section seven of the Lord Clerk Register (Scotland) Act, 1879, shall cease to have effect, and it shall be lawful for the Secretary for Scotland to appoint a Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages in Scotland, who shall have all the powers and duties pertaining to that office, and who shall receive out of moneys provided by Parliament such salary as the Treasury may fix.

Short title and commencement.

2. This Act may be cited as the Registrar General (Scotland) Act, 1920, and shall come into operation on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-one.

CHAPTER 70.

An Act to control the exportation of gold and silver coin and bullion, and to prohibit the melting or improper use of gold and silver coin. [23rd December 1920.]

BE it enacted by the King'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:

Extension of 42 & 43 Vict. c. 21. s. 8, to gold and

1.—(1) Section eight of the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1879 (which enables the exportation of certain articles to be prohibited), shall have effect as if, in addition to the article

therein mentioned, there were included the following articles, that is to say, gold or silver coin and gold or silver bullion. silver coin and bullion.

(2) If any person acts in contravention of or fails to comply with any condition attached to a licence authorising the exportation of any goods prohibited to be exported by virtue of this section, he shall for each offence, without prejudice to any other liability, be liable to a Customs penalty of one hundred pounds.

(3) Gold produced in any part of His Majesty's Dominions and imported into the United Kingdom under any arrangement approved by the Treasury may, notwithstanding anything in this section, be exported in accordance with the terms of the arrangement.

(4) In this Act the expression "gold or silver bullion" includes gold or silver partly manufactured and any mixture or alloy containing gold or silver.

(5) This section shall continue in force until the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and no longer, unless Parliament otherwise determines.

2.—(1) It shall not be lawful for any person, except under and in pursuance of a licence granted by the Treasury, to melt down, break up, or use otherwise than as currency any gold or silver coin which is for the time being current in the United Kingdom or in any British possession or foreign country. Prohibition on melting of gold or silver coin.

(2) If any person acts in contravention of this section, or acts in contravention of or fails to comply with any condition attached to a licence granted under this section, he shall, for each offence, be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds, or to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding two years, or to both such fine and imprisonment, and, in addition to any other punishment, the court dealing with the case may order the articles in respect of which the offence was committed to be forfeited.

3. This Act may be cited as the Gold and Silver (Export Control, &c.) Act, 1920. Short title.