granted, Fourteen Days Notice of the Intention to apply for such Licence shall be given in Writing to the Magistrates or Commissioners.

8. This Act shall apply only to *Scotland.* Extent of Act.

9. This Act (Clause Seven excepted) shall come into force on the Fifteenth Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-six. Commencement of Act.

CAP. XVIII.

An Act to make Provision for the Transfer of the Assets, Liabilities, and Management of the *Bengal*, *Madras*, and *Bombay* Military Funds, the *Bengal* Military Orphan Society, and other Funds, to the Secretary of State for *India* in Council. [30th *April* 1866.]

'WHEREAS certain Institutions known as the *Bengal* Military Fund, the *Bengal* Military Orphan Society, the *Madras* Military Fund, and the *Bombay* Military Fund, were established in *India* at different Times, under the Authority of the Honourable *East India* Company, for the Grant of certain Benefits to the Commissioned Officers of the said Company's Army who were Subscribers to those Institutions, and for the Grant of Pensions and other Allowances to the Widows and Orphans of such Officers, and those Institutions were supported by Donations and Subscriptions from the Officers of the said Company's Army and by certain Aids from the said Company:

'And whereas, by the Act of the Twenty-first and Twenty-second *Victoria*, Chapter One hundred and six, for the better Government of *India*, it was amongst other things provided that the Military and Naval Forces of the *East India* Company should be deemed to be the *Indian* Military and Naval Forces of Her Majesty, and should be entitled to the like Pay, Pensions, Allowances, and Privileges, and the like Advantages as regards Promotion and otherwise, as if they had continued in the Service of the said Company:

'And whereas, in consequence of the Changes subsequently made in the Constitution of the *Indian* Army, Notice was given to the Government of *India* by the Secretary of State for *India* in Council that the said Secretary of State for *India* in Council was ready to assume the Liabilities of the said Institutions, so far as might be requisite to maintain existing Pensions, and to secure to the Subscribers and their Families the Benefits to which they were entitled therefrom, and also that, in the event of such Assumption, present Incumbents on and Subscribers to the several Funds should be guaranteed the Pensions and Allowances for themselves and their Families to which they were entitled from those Funds, according to the Regulations then in force, and at the Rates of Subscription then existing:

'And whereas, under Instructions from the Secretary of State for *India* in Council, the Government of *India* caused the Question whether, under the Guarantee so given, the Assets and Liabilities of the said Institutions should be made over by the Directors and Managers thereof to the Secretary of State for *India* in Council, to be submitted for the Votes of the Subscribers to those Institutions, and the Proposition so to make over the Assets and Liabilities of the said Institutions was, in regard to each of the said Institutions, carried in the Affirmative by a large Majority of Votes:

'And whereas, in order to avoid any Doubt that may hereafter arise in regard to the Legality of such Transfer, it is necessary to make Provision by Law for enabling the Directors and Managers of the said Institutions to transfer the Assets, Liabilities, and Management thereof to the Secretary of State for *India* in Council, and for enabling the said Secretary of State for *India* in Council to accept 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:

The Secretary of State may take and assume the Assets, &c. of certain Pension Funds in India.

1. It shall be lawful for the Directors and Managers of the said Institutions to make over the Assets, Liabilities, and Management thereof to the Secretary of State for *India* in Council, and for the Secretary of State for *India* in Council to take and assume the Assets, Liabilities, and Management thereof.

Rights of Incumbents and Subscribers maintained.

2. As soon as the said Assets, Liabilities, and Management shall be made over as aforesaid, and the Acceptance thereof by the Secretary of State for *India* in Council notified by the Government of *India*, every Person who shall be an Incumbent on or Subscriber to any of the said Institutions at the Date of such Notification shall be entitled from Time to Time to receive from the Revenues of *India* such Allowance to himself, and his Family shall be entitled to receive such Pension or Allowance after his Decease, as he or they may be entitled to by the Regulations of the said Institutions: Provided that nothing in this Act contained shall be held to preclude the Secretary of State for *India* in Council from assigning to the Incumbents on and Subscribers to any of the said Institutions, or to their Families after their Decease, any Benefits in addition to those secured to them by this Act, if, on considering the Assets and Liabilities of the several Institutions, he shall deem it reasonable so to do.

Power to take and assume the Assets, &c. of certain other Pension Funds by Consent of the Subscribers thereto.

3. And whereas it may be expedient that the Secretary of State for *India* in Council should have Authority in like Manner to accept the Transfer of the Assets, Liabilities, and Management of other Institutions, known as the *Bengal* Medical Retiring Fund, the *Madras* Medical Fund, and the *Bombay* Medical Retiring Fund, with the Consent of the Subscribers to the said Institutions respectively: It shall be lawful for the Managers or Trustees to make over the Assets, Liabilities, and Management of all or any of the said Funds, and for the Secretary of State for *India* in Council to take and assume the same, if at any Time hereafter it shall appear by a Vote, specially taken for the Purpose, that a Majority of not less than Three Fourths of the Subscribers to those Institutions who may vote upon the Question are desirous of transferring them to the said Secretary of State for *India* in Council.

CAP. XIX.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Parliamentary Oaths. [30th *April* 1866.]

'WHEREAS it is expedient that One uniform Oath should be taken by Members of both Houses of Parliament on taking their Seats in every Parliament:'

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:

Oath to be taken by Members of Parliament.

1. The Oath to be made and subscribed by Members of both Houses of Parliament on taking their Seats in every Parliament shall be in the Form following:

'I *A.B.* do swear that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria; and I do faithfully promise to maintain and support the Succession to the Crown, as the same stands limited and settled by virtue of the Act passed in the Reign of King William the Third, intituled "An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject," and of the subsequent Acts of Union with Scotland and Ireland. So help me GOD.'

The Name of the Sovereign for the Time

2. Where in the Oath hereby appointed the Name of Her present Majesty is expressed, the Name of the Sovereign of this Kingdom for the Time being by virtue of the Act "for

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