28. If in either of the cases aforesaid the said arbitrators shall refuse or shall for seven days after request of either party to such arbitration neglect to appoint an umpire, the Board of Trade shall, on the application of either party to such arbitration, appoint an umpire, and the decision of such umpire on the matters on which the arbitrators shall differ, or which shall be referred to him under this or the special Act, shall be final.

2. This Act may be cited as the Lands Clauses (Umpire) Act, 1883. Short title.

CHAPTER 16.

An Act to grant a sum of money to Admiral Baron Alcester, G.C.B., in consideration of his eminent services. [29th June 1883.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled, duly considering the approbation graciously signified by Your Majesty of the important services rendered by Baron Alcester, Admiral in Your Majesty's Navy, in the course of the recent expedition to Egypt, do most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and 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:

1. A sum of twenty-five thousand pounds shall be paid to Admiral Baron Alcester, G.C.B., out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the growing produce thereof. Grant of 25,000*l.* to Baron Alcester.

2. This Act may be cited as Lord Alcester's Grant Act, 1883. Short title.

CHAPTER 17.

An Act to grant a sum of money to General Baron Wolseley of Cairo, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., in consideration of his eminent services. [29th June 1883.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled, duly considering the approbation graciously signified by Your Majesty of the important services rendered by Baron Wolseley of Cairo, General in Your Majesty's Army, in the course of the recent expedition to Egypt, do most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and 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:

Grant of 30,000*l.* to Baron Wolseley.

1. A sum of thirty thousand pounds shall be paid to General Baron Wolseley of Cairo, G.C.B. and G.C.M.G., out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the growing produce thereof.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as Lord Wolseley's Grant Act, 1883.

CHAPTER 18.

An Act to make provision respecting certain Municipal Corporations and other Local Authorities not subject to the Municipal Corporation Act. [29th June 1883.]

WHEREAS Commissioners were appointed by His late Majesty King William the Fourth (in this Act referred to as the Commissioners of 1834) to inquire into Municipal Corporations in England and Wales, and made reports respecting divers corporations, including most of those mentioned in the schedules to this Act:

And whereas the Municipal Corporation Acts consolidated and repealed by the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, were passed and applied to most of the places mentioned in the above report, but not to those which are mentioned in the schedules to this Act:

And whereas Commissioners were appointed by Her Majesty to inquire into Municipal Corporations not subject to the Municipal Corporation Acts (in this Act referred to as the Commissioners of 1876), and have made reports to Her Majesty respecting the places mentioned in the schedules to this Act, and it is expedient to make the provisions herein-after appearing respecting those places:

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 Municipal Corporations Act, 1883.

Abolition of special judicial bodies, exclusive rights of trading, exempting from juries, &c.

2. On and after the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, or such later day, not after the twenty-ninth day of September one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, as Her Majesty in Council may in the case of any place or places appoint, the following provisions shall (subject to the savings for vested interests and other provisions contained in this Act) apply to each of the places mentioned in the schedules to this Act; that is to say,

(1.) All civil, criminal, and Admiralty jurisdiction of any corporate officer, court, or judge of the said place appointed or holding office under any charter, grant, or prescription shall cease, whether such jurisdiction is conferred by such charter, grant, or prescription, or by any Act, and the place shall be subject to the same jurisdiction as the part of the county in which it is situate or to which it adjoins, and if it adjoins more than one county or part of a county, then as the county or part with which it has the longest common boundary:

(2.) All exclusive rights of trading, local exemptions from juries, and other local franchises, privileges, and exemptions existing under any charter or grant or prescription shall cease.