4. In lieu of the deposit of copies of the certificate of redemption as provided by the said recited Acts, copies of every certificate of redemption under this Act, sealed with the seal of the said Commissioners, shall be deposited with such person or persons as the said Commissioners, having regard to the circumstances of each case, shall determine. Deposit of copies of certificate of redemption.

5. This Act shall be taken and construed as part of the first recited Act as amended and extended by the several Acts passed for the amendment thereof. This Act to be construed as part of first-recited Act and Amendment Acts.

CHAPTER 33.

An Act to amend the Metropolis Management Acts.

[31st July 1885.]

WHEREAS the parishes and districts of the Metropolis hereinafter mentioned have increased in population and rateable value so as to entitle them to increased representation on the Metropolitan Board of Works, and it is therefore expedient to further amend the Act passed in the session of Parliament holden in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis":

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:

1. From and after the passing of this Act the vestries of the parishes of Saint Mary Islington, Lambeth, Saint Pancras, Saint Mary Abbott Kensington, and the Board of Works for the district of Wandsworth, shall each be entitled to elect three persons to be members of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the vestries of the parishes of Camberwell and Paddington, and the boards of works of the Greenwich, Hackney, and Poplar districts shall each be entitled to elect two persons to be members of the said board, instead of the number in the said recited Act mentioned with respect to those parishes and districts. Additional members of Metropolitan Board of Works.

2. The districts of Plumstead and Lewisham shall, from and after the passing of this Act, cease to be united for the purpose of electing a member of the Metropolitan Board of Works, as in the said recited Act provided, and the Board of Works of each of those districts shall be entitled to elect a separate member, as though each district were mentioned in the first part of Schedule B. to that Act. The first election of a member for each district shall take place on or before the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and, on that day, the member elected for the united districts of Plumstead and Lewisham shall go out of office, and, on the following day, the new members shall come into office. Districts of Plumstead and Lewisham.

3. From and after the twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, the Board of Works for the district of Fulham shall be dissolved, and the vestries of the respective parishes of St. Peter and St. Paul, Hammersmith and Fulham, shall Separation of Fulham and Hammersmith.

from that date be incorporated, and shall have all such powers and be subject to all such provisions as if they had been named in Part II. of Schedule A. to the said recited Act.

The vestry of each of the said parishes shall on the said day elect one person to be a member of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and on that day the member elected by the Fulham Board of Works shall go out of office, and on the following day the new members shall come into office.

Term of office.

4. One third of the members of the Metropolitan Board of Works first elected under this Act shall go out of office on the second Wednesday in June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, one third of them on the second Wednesday in June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, and the remaining members on the second Wednesday in June one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight; and such newly-elected members shall determine by lot among themselves which of them shall be the members to go out of office in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six and one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven respectively.

Election, &c. of members.

5. All the provisions of the said recited Act as to election, qualification, disqualification, and retirement of members of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the filling up of vacancies, shall, subject to this Act, apply to the members by this Act authorised to be elected.

Acts to be construed as one Act.

6. The said recited Act, and the Acts amending the same, and this Act shall be construed together as one Act.

Hammersmith and Fulham District Board.

7. All byelaws and regulations made by the Board of Works for the district of Fulham, and subsisting at the dissolution of the said Board, shall continue in force in the parishes of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Hammersmith, and Fulham, until repealed or altered in accordance with the law applicable thereto.

The property, claims, and demands, and the debts and liabilities of the said District Board of Works shall be apportioned by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State between the said parishes as he shall think fit, and he shall have power to give such directions as may seem to him to be expedient as to the sale and conversion of any of the property of the said District Board of Works, and as to the application of the proceeds, or of any part thereof, in payment of any of the debts or liabilities of the said Board, including any compensation for loss of office to which any of the officers of the said Board may in his opinion be entitled, or otherwise for the benefit of the said parishes; and until such apportionment the claims and demands and debts and liabilities of the said Board shall not by reason of its dissolution cease or determine, but shall, with the property of the said Board, vest in such person or persons as the Secretary of State shall direct; and upon such apportionment the said property, claims, and demands, and debts and liabilities shall, by virtue of such apportionment, be transferred and vest according to the same: Provided that such apportionment may be made at one or at several times, and may be amended at any time within one year from the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six. The apportionment and directions of the Secretary of State under this section shall be final and conclusive.

8. If any of the officers in the service of the Board of Works for the district of Fulham shall, within one year from the dissolution of the said District Board, be appointed to an office in the service of the vestry of either of the said parishes of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Hammersmith, or Fulham, the time during which he shall have been in the service of the said District Board shall, in computing the time of his service for the purpose of superannuation under the Act passed in the twenty-ninth year of Her present Majesty, chapter thirty-one, intituled "An Act to provide for Super- "annuation Allowances to Officers of Vestries and other Boards "within the area of the Metropolis Local Management Act," be added to the time during which he shall have been in the service of such vestry. Fulham district officers.

9. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1885. Short title.

CHAPTER 34.

An Act to declare and explain the sixty-eighth section of the Waterworks Clauses Act, 1847. [31st July 1885.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the tenth and eleventh years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter seventeen, intituled the Waterworks Clauses Act, 1847, it was provided that the water rate should be payable according to the annual value of the tenement supplied with water:

And whereas questions have arisen whether the above-recited provision may not in the metropolis mean other than the rateable value as settled from time to time by the local authority duly constituted:

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. The words "the annual value of the tenement supplied with water" in the sixty-eighth section of the Waterworks Clauses Act, 1847, shall, within the unions and parishes to which the Valuation of Property (Metropolis) Act, 1869, extends, mean the rateable value as settled from time to time by the local authority as duly constituted: Provided that where the water rate is chargeable on the annual value of a part only of any hereditament entered in the valuation list, such annual value shall be a fairly apportioned part of the rateable value of the whole tenement, ascertained as aforesaid, the apportionment in case of dispute to be determined in manner provided by the said section. Explanation of 10 & 11 Vict. c. 17. s. 68.

2. The Waterworks Clauses Act, 1847, and this Act shall, for the purposes of this Act, be construed together as one Act, and the provisions of this Act shall to that extent be held to repeal and supersede such of the provisions of that Act as are inconsistent with this Act. Construction of Act.

3. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Water Rate Definition Act, 1885. Short title.