Presumption of time of death.

8. For the purposes of this Act, in all cases where a person has left Scotland, or has disappeared, and where no presumption arises from the facts that he died at any definite date, he shall be presumed to have died on the day which will complete a period of seven years from the time of his last being heard of, at or after such leaving or disappearance.

Several persons may be conjoined in one petition.

9. Any number of persons entitled to succeed as aforesaid may be conjoined in one petition relating to the estate of the same absent person; and any person having a limited right of succession may appear as petitioner to the effect of having such right made effectual, subject to the provisions of this Act.

Saving the rights of third parties.

10. It is hereby expressly provided and declared that nothing in this Act contained shall be held to prejudice or affect the right of third parties, having right to the estate or any part of it, preferable to the right of the absent person, or to the right of his representatives derived from him.

Policies of assurance exempted.

11. This Act shall not apply to any claim under a policy of assurance upon the life of any person who has been absent from Scotland, or who has disappeared, but the person or persons claiming under such policy shall be required to prove the death of the person whose life is assured, in the same manner as if this Act had not been passed.

Jurisdiction.

12. For the purposes of this Act "the Court" shall mean and include—

(1.) In all cases one of the Divisions of the Court of Session:

(2.) In all cases where the estate of the absent person in Scotland does not exceed in amount or value the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds sterling, the sheriff court of the county in which said estate or the greater part thereof is situate: Provided always, that the value of heritable estate shall be ascertained in terms of the provisions of the 40 & 41 Vict. c. 50.

Short title.

13. This Act may be cited as the Presumption of Life Limitation (Scotland) Act, 1881.

CHAPTER 48.

An Act further to amend the Acts relating to the raising of Money by the Metropolitan Board of Works; and for other purposes relating thereto.

[22nd August 1881.]

38 & 39 Vict. c. 65.

WHEREAS by the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1875, (in this Act referred to as "the Act of 1875,") the raising of money by the Metropolitan Board of Works (in this Act referred to as "the Board") for the purposes therein specified was regulated, and provision was made requiring that the borrowing powers granted to the Board by Parliament for the purposes therein named should for the future be limited both in time and amount:

43 & 44 Vict. c. 25.

And whereas by the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Act, 1880, (in this Act referred to as "the Act of 1880,") the Board were empowered to raise certain sums of money for the purposes

in the said Act mentioned, and limits of time and amount within which the powers by the said Act granted might be exercised were fixed:

43 & 44 Vict. c. 25.

And whereas the powers for the raising of money by the Act of 1880 conferred upon the Board have been partially exercised, but it is expedient that the Board should have power to raise certain further sums of money, specified in the First Schedule to this Act annexed, for the purposes, upon the terms, and subject to the limitations herein-after mentioned, and that the Act of 1880 should be amended:

And whereas it is expedient that the Board should be empowered to raise any of the moneys which they are by this Act authorised to raise, and which it may be convenient to raise for a temporary period, by the issue of bills, with the consent of the Treasury, for not less than three and not more than twelve months, to be repaid out of moneys raised by the creation of consolidated stock under this Act:

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.
38 & 39 Vict. c. 65.
39 & 40 Vict. c. 55.
40 & 41 Vict. c. 52.
41 & 42 Vict. c. 37.
42 & 43 Vict. c. 69.
43 & 44 Vict. c. 25.

1. This Act may be cited as the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Act, 1881, and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Acts, 1875 to 1880, and this Act may be cited together as the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Acts, 1875 to 1881.

Construction of Act.
32 & 33 Vict. c. 102.
33 & 34 Vict. c. 24.
34 & 35 Vict. c. 47.
38 & 39 Vict. c. 65.
39 & 40 Vict. c. 55.
40 & 41 Vict. c. 52.
41 & 42 Vict. c. 37.
42 & 43 Vict. c. 69.
43 & 44 Vict. c. 25.

2. This Act shall be read and have effect as one with the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Acts, 1869 to 1871, and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Acts, 1875 to 1880.

3. The expression "Parks and Open Spaces Acts" in this Act shall mean the enactments specified in Part I. of the Second Schedule to this Act annexed.

Interpretation.
20 & 21 Vict. c. cl., &c.
25 & 26 Vict. c. 93., &c.
32 & 33 Vict. c. 102.
21 & 22 Vict. c. 104.
26 & 27 Vict. c. 68.
28 & 29 Vict. c. 19.

The expression "Embankment Acts" in the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, and in this Act shall mean the series of Acts specified in Part II. of the Second Schedule to this Act annexed, and the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, shall be construed accordingly.

32 & 33 Vict. c. 102.

The expression "Main Drainage Acts" in this Act shall have the same meaning as is assigned to the same term in the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869.

Amendment of section 7 of 43 & 44 Vict. c. 25.
28 & 29 Vict. c. 90.

4. Section seven of the Act of 1880 shall be read and construed as if the aggregate amount which the Board was thereby authorised to expend for the purposes of the Fire Brigade Act, 1865, had been limited to a sum not exceeding forty thousand pounds instead of thirty thousand pounds.

Amendment of section 6 of 43 & 44 Vict. c. 25. as to expenditure under Embankment Acts and in relation to Sun Street.
39 & 40 Vict. c. 55.

5. Section six of the Act of 1880 shall be read and construed as if the aggregate amount which the Board was, by sub-section (*d*) of the said section, authorised to expend for the purposes of completing the works authorised by the Embankment Acts, and for completing the Sun Street Improvement under the Metropolitan Board of Works Various Powers Act, 1876, had been limited to a sum of thirteen thousand pounds instead of ten thousand pounds, and as if the aggregate amount which the Board was, by sub-section

(*e*) of the said section, authorised to expend for the purposes of defraying the costs of tablets of inscription on the four sides of the base of the obelisk on the Victoria Embankment, of the alteration of the adjoining granite pedestals and placing sphinxes thereon, and of other permanent work incurred and to be incurred in carrying out the general design, had been limited to nine thousand pounds instead of seven thousand pounds.

Amendment of section 10 of 43 & 44 Vict. c. 25. as to expenditure for purposes of main drainage and main sewers.

6. Section ten of the Act of 1880 shall be read and construed as if the aggregate amount which the Board was thereby authorised to expend for the purposes of main drainage and main sewers therein mentioned had been limited to a sum of four hundred thousand pounds instead of three hundred thousand pounds.

Power to Board to expend moneys for purposes of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1881, and 44 Vict. c. xviii.

7. The Board may from time to time, up to the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend for the purposes of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Various Powers) Act, 1881, if it becomes law, such moneys as they may think fit, not exceeding thirty-four thousand two hundred pounds, and such further sum as the Treasury shall approve.

The Board may from time to time, up to the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend for the purpose of the Metropolitan Commons Supplemental Act, 1881, and in the purchase of a piece of land adjoining Brook Green, Hammersmith, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for purposes of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock: Provided always, that the money to be raised and the consolidated stock to be created by the Board under this section shall be raised and created by them from time to time in such amounts and at such times only as the Board shall actually require, and as the Treasury shall approve, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the said Act in a proper and efficient manner.

Power to Board to expend money for purposes of 44 & 45 Vict. c. cxcii.

8. The Board may from time to time, up to the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend for the purposes of the Metropolitan Bridges Act, 1881, if it becomes law, such money as they think fit, not exceeding seven hundred and sixty thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for the purposes of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock: Provided always, that the money to be raised and the consolidated stock to be created by the Board under this section shall be raised and created by them from time to time in such amounts and at such times only as the Board shall actually require, and as the Treasury shall approve, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the said Act in a proper and efficient manner.

Power to Board to expend moneys during year ending 31st December 1882 for purposes of 18 & 19 Vict. c. 120. s. 144. and 25 & 26 Vict. c. 102. s. 72. of Street Improvements Act (35 & 36 Vict. c. clxiii.), of Parks and Open Spaces Acts, of Embankment Acts, improve-

9. The Board may from time to time, during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend for the purposes herein-after mentioned such moneys as they may think fit, not exceeding the amounts limited in relation to such purposes respectively.

(*a.*) For the purposes mentioned in section one hundred and forty-four of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and section seventy-two of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, one hundred thousand pounds:

ment of Sun Street, of the obelisk on Victoria Embankment, and of the Toll Bridges Act, 40 & 41 Vict. c. xcix.

(*b.*) For the purposes of the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1872, thirty thousand and one hundred and thirty-four pounds eighteen shillings and ninepence, provided that the moneys hereby authorised to be expended for the said purposes, together with any moneys expended for the said purposes under the authority of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Acts, 1877 to 1880, shall not exceed sixty thousand pounds:

(*c.*) For the purposes of the Parks and Open Spaces Acts fifteen thousand pounds:

(*d.*) For the purposes of completing the works authorised by the Embankment Acts, including the purchase and erection of lamp standards on such parts of such works as the Board may think fit, and for completing the Sun Street improvement under the Metropolitan Board of Works Various Powers Act, 1876, and for completing the tablets of inscription on the four sides of the base of the obelisk on the Victoria Embankment, the adjoining granite pedestals and the sphinxes thereon, and other permanent work, in carrying out the general design in relation to the said obelisk, twelve thousand pounds; provided that the moneys hereby authorised to be expended for the said purposes, together with any moneys expended for the said purposes under the Act of 1880, shall not exceed thirty-four thousand pounds:

(*e.*) For the purposes of the Metropolis Toll Bridges Act, 1877, including the cost of certain special works for the maintenance and repair of certain of the bridges acquired by the Board under the said Act, and commutation of pensions, fifty thousand pounds; provided that the moneys hereby authorised to be expended for the said purposes, together with the moneys heretofore authorised to be expended by the Board for the purposes of the Metropolis Toll Bridges Act, 1877, shall not exceed the sum of one million six hundred thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for the several purposes mentioned in this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock.

Power to Board to expend money for purposes of Fire Brigade. 28 & 29 Vict. c. 90.

10. The Board may from time to time, during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend for the purposes of providing station-houses, fire engines, fire escapes, and permanent plant for the purposes of the Fire Brigade Act, 1865, such money as they think fit, not exceeding thirty thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for the purposes of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock.

The Board shall from time to time carry to the consolidated loans fund such sums as the Treasury approve as being in their opinion sufficient to redeem, within thirty years from the date of the creation of stock for purposes of this section, an amount of consolidated stock equal to that so created.

Power to Board to expend money for purposes of

11. The Board may from time to time, during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend—

(*a.*) For the purposes of the Metropolitan Street Improvements Act, 1877, such money as they think fit, not exceeding one million five hundred thousand pounds, or such further sum as the Treasury may approve; provided that the moneys hereby authorised to be expended for the said purposes, together with all moneys heretofore authorised to be expended by the Board for the said purposes, shall not exceed three million seven hundred and twelve thousand five hundred and seven pounds; and

street improvements under 40 & 41 Vict. c. ccxxxv. and 42 & 43 Vict. c. cxcviii.

(*b.*) For the purposes of the Thames River (Prevention of Floods) Act, 1879, such money as they think fit, not exceeding ninety thousand pounds, or such further sum as the Treasury may approve.

42 & 43 Vict. c. cxcviii.

The Board, in order to raise money for the several purposes mentioned in this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock: Provided always, that the money to be raised and the consolidated stock to be created by the Board under this section shall be raised and created by them from time to time in such amounts and at such times only as the Board shall actually require, and as the Treasury shall approve, for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the said Acts respectively in a proper and efficient manner.

Power to Board to expend money for purposes of schemes under 38 & 39 Vict. c. 36.

12. The Board may from time to time, during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend for the purposes of schemes made by the Board under the authority of the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, and confirmed by Provisional Order and Act of Parliament, such money as they think fit, not exceeding three hundred thousand pounds, or such further sum as the Treasury may approve.

The Board, in order to raise money for the purposes of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock, but there shall be repaid (as provided by the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875) to the consolidated rate out of the local rate, as defined by the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, all moneys required for payment of dividends on and the redemption of the consolidated stock created for the purposes of this section: Provided always, that the money to be raised and the consolidated stock to be created by the Board under this section shall be raised and created by them from time to time in such amounts and at such times only as the Board shall actually require, and as the Treasury shall approve, for the purpose of carrying such schemes into effect in a proper and efficient manner.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 36.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 36.

Special power to Board to expend money for purposes of main drainage and main sewers.

13. The Board may, up to the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, expend for the purpose of adding to, extending, enlarging, improving, and completing the works authorised by the Main Drainage Acts, and for rendering the same efficient in such manner as to them may seem proper, and for extending, enlarging, and improving the main sewers transferred to and vested in the Board under and by virtue of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and for making such other sewers and works, and such alterations and diversions of such existing main sewers, as may to them seem proper for the purpose of relieving,

21 & 22 Vict. c. 104.

26 & 27 Vict. c. 68.

28 & 29 Vict. c. 19.

18 & 19 Vict. c. 120.

supplementing, and rendering such main sewers efficient, and for carrying into effect the several provisions in relation thereto mentioned in the said Acts, such moneys as they may think fit, not exceeding four hundred thousand pounds, in addition to any moneys which they are authorised to expend under any Acts passed previously to the passing of this Act, and for such purposes the Board may from time to time create consolidated stock, and all the provisions of the Main Drainage Acts and the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Acts altering or amending the same for the time being in force relating to the execution of works authorised by the said Acts respectively shall continue in force, and shall extend and apply respectively to the works executed by means of money raised in pursuance of this section, and all stock created under the authority of this section shall be deemed to be created for the purposes of the above-mentioned Acts respectively.

Expenses of inquiry as to markets.

14. The Board may, as part of their general expenses, pay all costs, charges, and expenses which may be incurred by them, up to the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, of and incidental to any inquiry to be instituted with respect to markets for the sale of food supplies within the metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and preliminary to, in, and incidental to the preparing, applying for, and obtaining an Act of Parliament with respect to such markets or any of such markets.

Power to Board to lend to vestry or district board. 18 & 19 Vict. c. 120.

15. Where a vestry or district board constituted under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, desire, in pursuance of authority vested in them by Act of Parliament, to borrow money for the purpose of any work, or for the purpose of paying off any loan or debt, or for any other purpose, and it appears to the Board and to the Treasury expedient that the repayment of the money to be borrowed shall be spread over a series of years, then from time to time during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two the Board may lend to the vestry or district board, and the vestry or district board may borrow from the Board, such money as the Board think fit, and as the vestry or district board are authorised and desire to borrow.

The aggregate amount lent by the Board under this section shall not exceed two hundred thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for purposes of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock.

Money lent by the Board under this section shall, notwithstanding anything in any other Act, be repaid to them with interest within such time after the borrowing as the Board and the borrowers with the approval of the Treasury agree, not exceeding in case of a loan for purposes of improvements effected by the widening of streets or bridges, or for the purpose of purchase of land in fee simple, sixty years, and for any other purpose thirty years.

In case of a loan required to be for not exceeding thirty years, the Board shall from time to time carry to the consolidated loans fund such sums as the Treasury approve, as being in their opinion sufficient to redeem within the period for which the loan is made, not exceeding thirty years from the date of the creation of stock

for purposes of this section, an amount of consolidated stock equal to that so created.

Power to Board to lend to board of guardians. 18 & 19 Vict. c. 120.

16. Where a board of guardians of a union or parish wholly or for the greater part in the metropolis as defined in the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, desire, in pursuance of authority vested in them, to borrow money for the purpose of any work or for the purpose of paying off any loan or debt or for any other purpose, and it appears to the Board and the Treasury expedient that the repayment of the money to be borrowed shall be spread over a series of years, then from time to time during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, the Board may lend to the board of guardians, and the board of guardians may borrow from the Board, such money as the Board think fit and as the board of guardians are authorised and desire to borrow.

The aggregate amount lent by the Board under this section shall not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for purposes of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock.

Money lent by the Board under this section shall, notwithstanding anything in any other Act, be repaid to them with interest within such time after the borrowing as the Board and the borrowers, with the approval of the Treasury, agree, not exceeding thirty years.

The Board shall from time to time carry to the consolidated loans fund such sums as the Treasury approve, as being in their opinion sufficient to redeem within the period for which the loan is made, not exceeding thirty years from the date of the creation of stock for purposes of this section, an amount of consolidated stock equal to that so created.

Extension of amount of loans by Board to managers of Metropolitan Asylum District. 30 & 31 Vict. c. 6. 32 & 33 Vict. c. 102.

17. The Board may from time to time during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, lend to the managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, in addition to the sums heretofore authorised to be lent by the Board to the said managers, such sums as the said managers are from time to time authorised by the Local Government Board to borrow in pursuance of the Metropolitan Poor Act, 1867, and any Acts altering or amending the same for the time being in force, not exceeding in the whole fifty thousand pounds, as though the said sums were included in the amount authorised to be lent for such purposes by section thirty-seven of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, and the Acts amending the same.

The Board, in order to raise money for the purpose of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock.

Power to Board to lend to School Board for London. 33 & 34 Vict. c. 75. 36 & 37 Vict. c. 86.

18. The Board may from time to time during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, lend to the School Board for London, in accordance with the provisions of the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 and 1873, and any Act or Acts altering or amending the same for the time being in force, such sums as the said School Board are from time to time authorised to borrow by the Education Department in pursuance of the said Acts, not exceeding in the whole the sum of six hundred thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for the purpose of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock.

The moneys so lent by the Board shall be repaid to them by the said School Board with interest within such period, not exceeding fifty years, as may be agreed upon between the Board and the said School Board, with the sanction of the Education Department, subject to the approval of the Treasury.

Power to Board to lend to corporations, burial boards, &c. 18 & 19 Vict. c. 120.

19. Where any corporation, body of commissioners, burial board, or other public body having power to levy directly or indirectly rates in respect of lands in the metropolis, as defined in the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, or to make charges on rates leviable in the metropolis as so defined, or to take within the metropolis as so defined dues or impositions in the nature of rates, desire in pursuance of authority vested in them to borrow money for the purpose of any work, or for the purpose of paying off any loan or debt, or for any other purpose, and it appears to the Board and to the Treasury expedient that the repayment of the money to be borrowed shall be spread over a series of years, then from time to time during the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two the Board may lend to the corporation, commissioners, burial board, or other public body, and they may borrow from the Board, such money as the Board think fit, and as the corporation, commissioners, burial board, or other public body are authorised and desire to borrow.

The aggregate amount lent by the Board under this section shall not exceed one hundred thousand pounds.

The Board, in order to raise money for purposes of this section, may from time to time create consolidated stock.

Money lent by the Board under this section shall, notwithstanding anything in any other Act, be repaid to them with interest within such time after the borrowing as the Board and the borrowers with the approval of the Treasury agree, not exceeding in case of a loan for purposes of improvements effected by the widening of streets or bridges, or for the purpose of purchase of land in fee simple, sixty years, and for any other purpose thirty years.

In case of a loan required to be for not exceeding thirty years, the Board shall from time to time carry to the consolidated loans fund such sums as the Treasury approve, as being in their opinion sufficient to redeem within the period for which the loan is made, not exceeding thirty years from the date of the creation of the stock for purposes of this section, an amount of consolidated stock equal to that so created.

18 & 19 Vict. c. 120.

Nothing in this section shall apply to the case of a vestry or district board constituted under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, a board of guardians, the managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, or the School Board for London.

Power to Board to apply consolidated loans fund to make loans to local authorities, &c. in metropolis.

20. Where the Board are authorised by this Act, or the Metropolitan Board of Works (Money) Act, 1880, to make a loan to a vestry or district board constituted under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, or to a board of guardians of a union or parish wholly or for the greater part in the metropolis as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, or to the managers of the Metro-

politan Asylum District, or to the School Board for London, or to any corporation, body of commissioners, burial board, or other public body, and are empowered, in order to raise money for any such loan, to create consolidated stock, and the loan is repayable within thirty years from the date of the loan, the Board, instead of raising money for any such loan by the creation of consolidated stock, may use for any such loan any moneys for the time being forming part of the consolidated loans fund, and not required for the payment of the dividends on consolidated stock.

Payment of expenses of Board in opposing 44 & 45 Vict. c. clx. in Parliament.

21. The Board may, as part of their general expenses, pay all costs, charges, and expenses incurred by them preliminary to, in, and incidental to their opposition to the East London Waterworks Company Act, 1881, in Parliament.

Board may raise money by bills.

22. Notwithstanding anything in this Act or in any other Act relating to the Board contained, the Board, with the consent of the Treasury, may from time to time, as they think fit, raise any part of the moneys which they are by this Act authorised to raise, not exceeding in the whole the sum of five hundred thousand pounds, by the issue of bills under this Act.

Form and length of currency and interest on Metropolitan bills.

23. A bill under this Act (in this Act referred to as a "Metropolitan bill") shall be a bill in form prescribed by a regulation made in pursuance of this Act for the payment of the principal sum named therein, in the manner and at the date therein mentioned, so that the date be not less than three nor more than twelve months from the date of the bill.

Interest shall be payable in respect of a Metropolitan bill at such rate and in such manner as the Board, with the consent of the Treasury, may direct.

Payment and applications of proceeds of Metropolitan bills and charge of bills on consolidated rate.

24. All moneys raised by the issue of any Metropolitan bills shall be paid to the Board, and shall be expended by them for the purposes for which the same are by this Act authorised to be raised respectively. The principal money and interest expressed in any Metropolitan bill to be payable shall be charged on the consolidated rate, and shall be payable out of the said rate, or, as regards principal, out of moneys raised by the creation of consolidated stock under this Act, for the purpose for which such principal money has been expended, and, as regards interest, out of the consolidated loans fund.

Mode of issue of Metropolitan bills.

25. With respect to the issue of Metropolitan bills the following provisions shall have effect:

(1.) Metropolitan bills shall be issued under the authority of a warrant sealed by the Board and countersigned on behalf of the Treasury:

(2.) Each Metropolitan bill shall be for the amount directed by the Board:

(3.) Each Metropolitan bill shall be sealed by the Board, the sealing being attested by the clerk in his own name.

Regulations to be made by the Board as to issue, cancellation, &c. of Metropolitan bills.

26. The Board may from time to time, with the consent of the Treasury, make, and when made rescind, alter, and add to, regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of this Act with respect to Metropolitan bills, and in particular—

(1.) For regulating (subject to the provisions of this Act) the preparation, form, mode of issue, mode of payment, and cancellation of Metropolitan bills.

(2.) For regulating the issue of a new Metropolitan bill in lieu of one defaced, lost, or destroyed:

(3.) For preventing, by the use of counterfoils or of a special description of paper or otherwise, fraud in relation to the Metropolitan bills:

(4.) For the proper discharge to be given upon the payment of a Metropolitan bill.

Every regulation purporting to be made in pursuance of this section shall be deemed to be within the powers of this Act, and shall have effect as if it were enacted in this Act.

Power to create consolidated stock partially suspended while Metropolitan bills authorised to be raised.

27. For the purpose of paying off the principal money of any Metropolitan bills the Board may raise any sum which they are by this Act empowered to raise by the creation of consolidated stock for the purposes for which such principal money has been expended, not exceeding the amount of such principal money; but, save as aforesaid, the powers given to the Board by this Act to raise moneys for any purposes by the creation of consolidated stock shall be suspended to the amounts and for the periods to and for which moneys are for the time being authorised by the Treasury to be raised for such purposes respectively by the issue of Metropolitan bills.

Application of certain provisions of 24 & 25 Vict. c. 98. to Metropolitan bills.

28. Sections eight, nine, ten, and eleven of the Act of the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter ninety-eight, intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend "the Statute Law of England and Ireland relating to indictable "offences by forgery" (which sections relate to the forgery of and other frauds relating to Exchequer bills), shall apply to the Metropolitan bills, and shall have effect as if "Exchequer bill" in those sections included "Metropolitan bill."

Arrangement with bank as to issue, &c. of Metropolitan bills.

29. The Board may enter into such arrangements with any bank approved by the Treasury for carrying into effect the provisions of this Act with respect to the issue of the Metropolitan bills, and to the payment of the principal sum named therein, and to all matters relating thereto, and for the proper remuneration of such bank with reference thereto, as they may think proper and as may be approved by the Treasury.

32 & 33 Vict. c. 102. s. 38. not to extend to money raised under this Act.

30. The limitation on the borrowing power of the Board contained in section thirty-eight of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, shall not extend to moneys raised by the Board for purposes mentioned in this Act.

Repayments to be carried to consolidated loans fund.

31. All sums received by the Board in respect of interest on or principal of any loan made by them under this Act shall be carried to the consolidated loans fund.

Limit to exercise by Board of borrowing powers.

32. During the year ending the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two the Board shall not (except for such temporary period, not exceeding six months, as the Treasury may from time to time sanction) raise otherwise than in conformity with and to the extent mentioned in this Act any money under any powers of borrowing conferred upon the Board either by this Act or any other Act whatsoever: Provided always, that the limitations contained in this section and in section twenty-seven of the Act of 1880 shall not extend to limit or control the raising of moneys under the authority of section thirty-four of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1869, or of section

eight of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1875, for the purposes in the said sections respectively mentioned.

Minutes of proceedings of Board to be printed.

33. From and after the passing of this Act the Board shall cause copies of the minutes of all proceedings of the Board, with the names of the members who attend each meeting, to be from time to time printed, and to be filed and kept under their direction at the principal office of the Board, and a copy of such minutes so printed and filed shall be signed by the members present, or any two of them, and all matters contained in any such copy so printed and filed, purporting to be so signed as aforesaid, shall be received as evidence without proof of any meeting of the Board having been duly convened or held, or of the presence at any such meeting of the persons named in any such printed copy as being present thereat, or of such persons being members of the Board, or of the signature of any person by whom any such copy purports to be signed, all which matters shall be presumed until the contrary be proved; and the copies of the minutes so printed, filed, and signed as aforesaid shall be in substitution for the entries of the proceedings of the Board, after the passing of this Act, required to be made, and for the books containing the same required to be kept under the direction of the Board by section sixty of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and all the provisions of the said Act referring or relating to such books as aforesaid shall, as to the minutes of proceedings of the Board after the passing of this Act, refer and relate to the said copies of the minutes so printed, filed, and signed as aforesaid, as though they were the books by the said section sixty required to be kept.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 65. s. 15. amended as to salary of auditor.

34. Section fifteen of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1875, shall be read as if the words one hundred and fifty pounds were substituted for the words one hundred guineas.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

NEW MONEY POWERS CONFERRED IN THIS ACT.

Section of Act.	Purpose.	Amount.		
	SUPPLEMENTAL UP TO 31ST DEC. 1881.	£	s.	d.
4	Fire Brigade (amount already sanctioned, £30,000) - -	10,000	0	0
5	Thames Embankments, Queen Victoria Street, Northumberland Avenue, and Sun Street - - - -	3,000	0	0
	The Obelisk on the Victoria Embankment - - -	2,000	0	0
6	Main Drainage - - - - - - - -	100,000	0	0
	UP TO 31ST DEC. 1882.			
7	Hackney Commons, should the Various Powers Bill become law - - - - - - - - -	34,200	0	0
	Metropolitan Commons Supplemental Act, 1881, and purchase of land adjoining Brook Green - - - -	12,000	0	0
8	Metropolitan Bridges Bill, should it become law - -	760,000	0	0

Section of Act.	Purpose.				Amount.		
					£	s.	d.
	1ST JAN. TO 31ST DEC. 1882.						
9	Minor Improvements and Contributions to Local Improvements				100,000	0	0
	Streets under Act of 1872				30,134	18	9
	Parks, commons, and open spaces				15,000	0	0
	Thames Embankments, Queen Victoria Street, Northumberland Avenue, and Sun Street				12,000	0	0
	Obelisk on Victoria Embankment						
	Bridges (including Commutation of Pensions)				50,000	0	0
10	Fire Brigade				30,000	0	0
11	Streets under Act of 1877				1,500,000	0	0
	Thames River, Prevention of Floods				90,000	0	0
12	Artizans Dwellings				300,000	0	0
13	Main Drainage				400,000	0	0
14	Loans to vestries and district boards				200,000	0	0
15	Loans to guardians				150,000	0	0
16	Loans to managers of Metropolitan Asylum District				50,000	0	0
17	Loans to School Board for London				600,000	0	0
18	Loans to other public bodies				100,000	0	0
					4,548,334	18	9
	AMOUNTS included above which are re-grants of borrowing power previously granted:	£	s.	d.			
	Minor Improvements and Contributions to Local Improvements	63,303	5	0			
	Fire Brigade	5,005	11	4			
	Parks, commons, and open spaces	15,000	0	0			
	Bridges (including Commutation of Pensions)	50,000	0	0			
	Thames River (Prevention of Floods)	86,934	2	4			
	Artizans Dwellings	300,000	0	0			
	Main Drainage	123,989	10	3			
	Streets under Act of 1872	30,134	18	9			
	Streets under Act of 1877	1,500,000	0	0			
	Thames Embankments, Queen Victoria Street, Northumberland Avenue, and Sun Street	1,588	8	3			
	Obelisk on Victoria Embankment	7,000	0	0			
	Loans to vestries and district boards	168,750	0	0			
	Loans to guardians	47,900	0	0			
	Loans to managers of Metropolitan Asylum District	—					
	Loans to School Board for London	600,000	0	0			
	Loans to other public bodies	85,100	0	0			
					3,084,705	15	11
	New borrowing powers: For Board £1,265,379 2s. 10d. For Loans 198,250	—			1,463,629	2	10

SECOND SCHEDULE.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES ACTS.

PART I.

The Finsbury Park Act, 1857, 20 & 21 Vict. c. cl.
Southwark Park Act, 1864, 27 Vict. c. iv.
Gardens in Towns Protection Act, 1863, 26 Vict. c. 13.
Leicester Square Act, 1874, 37 Vict. c. x.

The Open Spaces (Metropolis) Act, 1877, 40 & 41 Vict. c. 35.
Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866, 29 & 30 Vict. c. 122.
" " " Amendment Act, 1869, 32 & 33 Vict. c. 107.
" " " 1878, 41 & 42 Vict. c. 71.
" " Supplemental Act, 1871 (Blackheath), 34 & 35 Vict. c. lvii.
" " " " 1871 (Shepherd's Bush), 34 & 35 Vict. c. lxiii.
" " " " 1872 (Hackney Commons), 35 & 36 Vict. c. xliii.
" " " " 1873 (Tooting Beck Common), 36 & 37 Vict. c. lxxxvi.
Metropolitan Board of Works Various Powers Act, 1875 (Tooting Graveney Common), 38 & 39 Vict. c. clxxix. sec. 14.
Hampstead Heath Act, 1871, 34 & 35 Vict. c. lxxvii.
Metropolitan Commons Supplemental Act, 1877 (Clapham Common and Bostall Heath), 40 & 41 Vict. c. cci.
Plumstead Common Act, 1878, 41 & 42 Vict. c. cxlv.
Wormwood Scrubs Act, 1879, 42 & 43 Vict. c. clx.
Metropolitan Commons Supplemental Act, 1881, (Brook Green, Eel Brook Common, &c.), c. xviii.

PART II.

Embankment Acts.

The Thames Embankment (North) Act, 1862, 25 & 26 Vict. c. 93., 26 & 27 Vict. c. 45.
Thames Embankment (South) Act, 1863, 26 & 27 Vict. c. 75.
" " Amendment Act, 1864, 27 & 28 Vict. c. cxxxv., 27 & 28 Vict. c. 61.
" " (North and South) Act, 1868, 31 & 32 Vict. c. cxi., 31 & 32 Vict. c. 43.
" " (Chelsea) Act, 1868, 31 & 32 Vict. c. cxxxv., 32 & 33 Vict. c. 134.
" " (North) Act, 1870, 33 & 34 Vict. c. xcii.
" " " " 1872, 35 & 36 Vict. c. lxvi.
" " (Land) Act, 1873, 36 & 37 Vict. c. 40.
" " (South) Act, 1873, 36 Vict. c. vii.
Charing Cross and Victoria Embankment Approach Act, 1873, 36 & 37 Vict. c. c.
Metropolitan Board of Works Various Powers Act, 1876 (Chelsea Embankment), 39 & 40 Vict. c. lxxix.

CHAPTER 49.

An Act to further amend the Law relating to the Occupation and Ownership of Land in Ireland, and for other purposes relating thereto. [22nd August 1881.]

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:

PART I.

ORDINARY CONDITIONS OF TENANCIES.

Sale of tenancies.

1. The tenant for the time being of every holding, not hereinafter specially excepted from the provisions of this Act, may sell his tenancy for the best price that can be got for the same, subject