II.—COURT OR CLERK'S DUES.

	£	s.	d.
For each complaint	0	2	6
For whole proceedings at trial—			
If plea of guilty	0	2	6
If proof led	0	5	0
Extract of any judgment, conviction, or order	0	1	0
To the bar officer for whole proceedings—			
If plea of guilty	0	0	6
If proof led	0	1	0

III.—OFFICER'S FEES.

For serving each complaint and returning execution	0	1	6
For citing each witness	0	0	6
For apprehending a respondent or witness	0	2	6
For each hour the prisoner is necessarily in the custody of the officer beyond the first	0	1	0

For travelling expenses, poinding, sale, or arrestment, the same allowances as in I. Vic., cap. 41.

In any case where a concurrent or assistant is required he will be allowed a sum equal to two thirds of the fee payable to the officer for the same business.

Where an officer or concurrent has to charge for a conveyance, the mileage rates will not be allowed.

SCHEDULE B.

Decerns and adjudges the said to be imprisoned for the space of , and thereafter to be set at liberty, and for that purpose grants warrant to officers of law to convey the said to the prison of , thereafter to be dealt with in due course of law.

If the sentence of imprisonment is alternative the necessary variation will be made in this form.

CHAPTER 34.

An Act to amend the Metropolitan Open Spaces Act, 1877. [11th August 1881.]

WHEREAS by the Metropolitan Open Spaces Act, 1877, certain facilities were provided for making available the open spaces in the metropolis for the use of the inhabitants thereof for exercise and recreation, and it is expedient to amend and extend the said Act, and to provide greater facilities for the purpose aforesaid: 40 & 41 Vict. c. 35.

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:

Interpretation clause.

1. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

"Open space" means any land (whether inclosed or uninclosed) which is not built on, and which is laid out as a garden or is used for purposes of recreation, or lies waste and unoccupied; but shall not include any inclosed land which has not a public road or footpath completely round the same;

18 & 19 Vict. c. 120.

"The metropolis" means the metropolis as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855;

"The Metropolitan Board" means the Metropolitan Board of Works as constituted by the same Act;

"Vestry" means a vestry of one of the parishes specified in Schedule A. of the same Act;

"District board" means a board of works of one of the districts specified in Schedule B. of the same Act;

"The corporation" means the mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London, and the powers conferred upon them by this Act may be exercised by the mayor, aldermen, and commons of the said city in common council assembled;

The "owner" of a churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground means the person or persons, corporation sole, or body corporate in whom the soil and freehold of such churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground is vested, whether as appurtenant or incident to any benefice or cure of souls, or otherwise;

The term "burial ground" shall include any ground, whether consecrated or not, which has been at any time set apart for the purposes of interment, and in which interments have taken place since the year 1800.

Power to trustees to transfer certain open spaces to local authority.

2. Where any open space within the metropolis is under the provisions of any Private or Local Act of Parliament placed under the care and management of trustees or other persons, with a view to the preservation and regulation of the same as a garden or open space, it shall be lawful for the said trustees or other the managing body thereof for the time being, in pursuance of any resolution duly passed as herein-after mentioned, and with the consent, to be signified in manner herein-after appearing, of the owners and occupiers of any houses fronting upon, or the owners or occupiers of which are liable to be specially rated for the maintenance of the open space, to convey, assign, or transfer for valuable or nominal consideration, or by way of gift, to the Metropolitan Board, or to the vestry or district board of the parish or district in which such open space or any part thereof is situate, the soil and freehold of, or other their entire interest in, or (where no interest in the soil of such open space is vested in them) the entire care and management of the said open space, to the end that the same may be preserved for the enjoyment of the public; and upon such conveyance, assignment, or transfer such trustees or other managing body shall be relieved and discharged from all trusts, powers, and duties imposed upon them by the Act or other instrument under which they were constituted, or under which they then act or otherwise with reference to the said open space, but shall hold any purchase money paid for or in respect of the said open space in trust for the benefit of the persons or class of persons for whose benefit the said open space was previously preserved and managed by the said trustees, and such persons or class of persons shall be discharged from any special rate or other obligation previously imposed on them in respect of such open space.

It shall be lawful for any such trustees or managing body as aforesaid, in pursuance of any such resolution as aforesaid, and with such consent as aforesaid, for any valuable or nominal considera-

tion, by way of rent or otherwise, or without any consideration, to grant or transfer to the Metropolitan Board, or to any such vestry or district board as aforesaid, any term of years or other limited interest in or any right or easement over such open space, or to enter into any agreement with the Metropolitan Board or any such vestry or district board as aforesaid for the opening to the public of such open space, and the care and management thereof by such board or vestry at all times or at any specified time or times, without the transfer to such board or vestry of any interest in the soil of such open space; and any such grant, demise, transfer, or agreement as aforesaid shall be deemed a good execution of the trusts, powers, and duties imposed upon the said trustees by the Act or other instrument under which they are constituted or act.

A resolution under this section shall be deemed to have been duly passed if at a meeting of the trustees or other the persons constituting such managing body as aforesaid summoned by at least one month's notice in writing left at or sent by post to their last known or usual place of abode, such resolution shall have been passed by a majority of two thirds in number of the persons present at such meeting, and if such resolution shall also have been confirmed by two thirds in number of the persons present at a second like meeting, to be summoned by such notice as aforesaid, and to be held at an interval of not less than one calendar month from the first meeting.

The consent of such owners and occupiers of houses as aforesaid shall be held to have been given and signified if, at a meeting of such persons summoned by at least one month's notice in writing given as herein-after directed, a resolution shall have been passed by a majority of at least two thirds in number of the persons present at such meeting consenting to the conveyance, grant, or transfer of the said open space as aforesaid, or to such an agreement with the Metropolitan Board, vestry, or district board as aforesaid, and if such resolution shall also have been confirmed by two thirds in number of such owners and occupiers present at a second like meeting, to be summoned in like manner to the first meeting, and to be held at an interval of not less than one calendar month from the first meeting.

Notice of such meeting shall be given by leaving the same or sending the same through the post to every house fronting upon, or the owner or occupier of which is liable to be specially rated for the maintenance of, the said open space, and by inserting the same as an advertisement at least three times in any two or more London daily papers, and such notice shall state generally the object of the said meeting, and no such meeting shall be held between the first day of August in one year and the thirty-first day of January in the following year.

For the purposes of this section the owner of a house shall include any person entitled to any term of years therein; and the occupier of a house shall be the person rated to the relief of the poor in respect of the said house.

If at any meeting of such trustees or managing body, or at any meeting of such owners or occupiers as before mentioned, the resolution proposed at any such meeting be not carried, no meeting

shall be called or held with the same object in respect to the same garden or open space until the expiration of three years from the day on which such resolution so proposed was rejected at any such meeting as above mentioned.

A conveyance, assignment, demise, grant, or agreement under this section shall be made by an instrument under the common seal of the trustees or other managing body if such body be a corporation, and if it be not a corporation under the hands and seals of any five members of such body, or of all the members thereof if for the time being they be less than five in number.

The trustees or other the managing body of any such open space as aforesaid may (anything contained in the Act or other instrument under which they are constituted or act to the contrary notwithstanding), in pursuance of any such resolution as aforesaid, and with such consent as aforesaid, signified as aforesaid, admit persons not owning, occupying, or residing in any house fronting on the said open space to the enjoyment of the said open space at all times, or at any specified time or times, and may regulate the admission of such persons thereto on such terms and conditions in all respects as the trustees may think proper.

Any trustees so acting as aforesaid shall have the same power of making byelaws as that conferred by the fourth section of the Act passed in the twenty-sixth year of Her Majesty, chapter thirteen, intituled "An Act for the protection of certain garden or "ornamental grounds in cities and boroughs upon the committee "therein mentioned."

Where the freehold of any such open space as is referred to in this section, and the freehold of all or of the major part of the houses round such open space are vested in the same person or persons, the powers conferred by this section shall not be exercised without the consent of such person or persons.

Power to transfer other open space to local authority.

3. The owner of any open space within the metropolis which is subject to rights of user for exercise and recreation (secured by covenant or otherwise) in the owners and occupiers (or either of such classes) of any houses round or near the same may, with the consent (to be signified in manner herein-after appearing) of such owners and occupiers of houses, convey to the Metropolitan Board, or to the vestry or district board of the parish or district in which such open space or any part thereof is situate, the soil of the said open space in trust for the enjoyment of the public; and the owner or any person or persons in whom any term of years or other limited interest in such open space is vested may, with the like consent, grant or transfer to the Metropolitan Board or such vestry or district board as aforesaid, in trust as aforesaid, any term of years or other limited interest in or any right or easement over such open space, or enter into any agreement with the Metropolitan Board or any such vestry or district board as aforesaid for the opening to the public of such open space, and the care and management thereof by such board or vestry either at all times or at any specified time or times without the transfer to such board or vestry of any interest in the soil of such open space.

The consent of such owners and occupiers of houses as aforesaid shall be held to have been given and signified if at a meeting of

such persons summoned by at least one month's notice in writing (given as herein-after directed) a resolution shall have been passed by a majority of at least two thirds in number of the persons present at such meeting consenting to the conveyance, grant, or transfer of the said open space as aforesaid, or to such an agreement with the Metropolitan Board, vestry, or district board as aforesaid, and the owner shall be thereupon discharged from any liability to any person entitled to such right of user as aforesaid in respect of any act done in accordance with such resolution.

Notice of such meeting shall be given by leaving the same or sending the same through the post to every house, the owner or occupier of which is entitled to any right of user, and by inserting the same as an advertisement at least three times in any two or more London daily papers, and such notice shall state generally the object of the said meeting; and no such meeting shall be held between the first day of August in one year and the thirty-first day of January in the following year.

For the purposes of this section the owner of an open space shall be any person or persons in whom the soil of the open space is vested for an estate in possession during his or their life or lives or for any larger estate; the owner of a house shall include any person entitled to any term of years therein; and the occupier of a house shall be the person rated to the relief of the poor in respect of the said house.

Power to transfer disused burial grounds to local authority.

4. The owner of any churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground situate within the metropolis, and closed for burials either under an order of Her Majesty the Queen in Council, or otherwise, may convey the soil of such churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground, or grant any term of years or other limited interest therein to or enter into any agreement with the Metropolitan Board or the vestry or district board of the parish or district in which such churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground, or any part thereof, is situate for the purpose of giving the public access to the said churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground, and preserving the same as an open space accessible to the public, and under the control of such board or vestry, and for the purpose of improving and laying out the same.

Powers and duties of local authority.

5. The Metropolitan Board and the vestry or district board of the parish or district within which any open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground, or any part thereof, is situate may, by agreement, and for valuable or nominal consideration by way of payment in gross or of rent, or otherwise, or without any consideration, take and hold the soil and freehold of, or any term of years or other limited estate or interest in, or any right or easement in or over any open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground, and may, with reference to any open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground, undertake the entire or partial care, management, and control thereof, whether any interest in the soil is transferred to the board or vestry or not, and may for the purposes aforesaid enter into any agreement with the persons authorised by this Act to agree with reference to any open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground or with any other persons interested therein.

Any estate or interest in or control over any open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground acquired by the Metropolitan

Board, or any vestry or district board under the provisions of this Act, shall be held and administered by such board or vestry in trust to allow, and with a view to, the enjoyment by the public of such open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground in an open condition, free from buildings and under proper control and regulation, and for no other purpose, but such Metropolitan Board, vestry, or district board shall not allow the playing of any games or sports therein; and the board or vestry shall maintain and keep the same in a good and decent state, and may inclose or keep the same inclosed with proper railings and gates, and may drain, level, lay out, turf, plant, ornament, light, seat, and otherwise improve the same, and do all such works and things, and employ such officers and servants, as may be requisite for the purposes aforesaid, or any of them.

Provided that no board or vestry shall exercise any of the powers of management in this Act mentioned with reference to any consecrated ground, unless and until they are authorised so to do by the license or faculty in that behalf of the bishop of the diocese in which such consecrated ground is situate, which license or faculty may be granted by such bishop upon the application of the board or vestry, and may extend to the removal of any tombstone or monument, under such conditions and subject to such restrictions as to the bishop may seem fit.

Byelaws.

6. The Metropolitan Board and any vestry or district board may, with reference to any open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground in or over which it has acquired any estate, interest, or control under the provisions of this Act, make byelaws for the regulation thereof, and of the days and times of admission thereto, and the preservation of order and prevention of nuisances therein, and may by such byelaws impose penalties for the infringement thereof, and provide for the removal of any person infringing any such byelaw by any officer of the board or vestry or police constable.

Byelaws made under this Act shall be made in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as byelaws made by the Metropolitan Board or by a vestry or district board, as the case may be, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855.

Metropolitan Board and vestry or district board may carry out Act jointly.

7. The Metropolitan Board or any vestry or district board, and where an open space extends into two or more parishes or districts two or more vestries or district boards, either with or without the Metropolitan Board, may jointly carry out the provisions of this Act, and may enter into any agreement, on such terms as may be arranged between them, for so doing and for defraying the expenses of the execution of the Act, and the Metropolitan Board may defray the whole or any part of the expenses of the execution of this Act by any vestry or district board, and any vestry or district board may similarly defray the whole or any part of the expenses of the Metropolitan Board or, where an open space extends into two or more parishes or districts, of any other vestry or district board.

Provision for extra-parochial places.

8. Where any open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground, by virtue of any Act of Parliament or otherwise, is extra-paro-

chial, or forms part of some parish other than that which surrounds the same, the vestry or district board acting for the parish surrounding the same may carry out, or may enter into agreement with any one or more vestries or district boards acting for any other parishes, on such terms as may be arranged between them, and may jointly carry out, the provisions of this Act, and shall have the same powers in every respect as if such open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground were part of the parish or district of such vestry or district board.

Provision for compensation.

9. No estate, interest, or right of a profitable or beneficial nature in, over, or affecting an open space, churchyard, cemetery, or burial ground shall, except with the consent of the body or person entitled thereto, be taken away or injuriously affected by anything done under this Act without compensation being made for the same; and such compensation shall be paid by the Metropolitan Board, vestry, or district board by which such estate, interest, or right is taken away or injuriously affected, and shall, in case of difference, be ascertained and provided in the same manner as if the same compensation were for the compulsory purchase and taking or the injurious affecting of lands under the provisions of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845, and any Acts amending the same. 8 & 9 Vict. c. 18.

Expenses.

10. All expenses incurred under this Act by the Metropolitan Board or by any vestry or district board shall be defrayed out of the funds at their disposal respectively, or which they respectively are empowered to raise under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the several Acts amending the same; and such expenses shall be deemed to be expenses for which provision is made by such Acts.

Extent of Act.

11. This Act shall extend only to the metropolis, and shall not extend to the royal parks or to any land belonging to Her Majesty in right of her Crown or of her Duchy of Lancaster, or to any garden, ornamental ground, or ornamental land for the time being under the management of the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings or of the Commissioners for the time being acting under the Crown Estate Paving Act, 1851, or to any metropolitan common within the meaning of the Metropolitan Commons Act, 1866, and the Metropolitan Commons Amendment Act, 1869. 14 & 15 Vict. c. 95. 29 & 30 Vict. c. 122. 32 & 33 Vict. c. 107.

Application in city of London.

12. The powers in this Act conferred on and in relation to the Metropolitan Board, vestries, and district boards shall in the city of London be exercised by and have relation to the corporation, who shall defray, out of the metage of grain duty or otherwise, all the expenses caused by or connected with the execution of such powers by them; and any byelaws made by the corporation for the regulation of any open space acquired under the powers of this Act shall be made and allowed in manner prescribed by the Corporation of London (Open Spaces) Act, 1878. 41 & 42 Vict. c. cxxvii.

Short title.

13. This Act may be cited as the Metropolitan Open Spaces Act, 1881; and this Act and the Metropolitan Open Spaces Act, 1877, may together be cited as the Metropolitan Open Spaces Acts, 1877 and 1881.