PART III.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE TREASURY.

Subject.	Act.
Assessor of Railways and Canals - -	17 & 18 Vict. c. 91. s. 29.
Board of Manufactures - - - -	13 Geo. I. c. 26. 13 Geo. I. c. 30. 48 Geo. III. c. 110. 10 & 11 Vict. c. 91.
General Register House in Edinburgh, except the power to fix salaries and emoluments.	42 & 43 Vict. c. 44. sec. 8.
	And any Acts amending the said Acts, and conferring powers on the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury in relation thereto.

PART IV.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD FOR ENGLAND.

Subject.	Act.
Loans by Public Works Loan Commissioners	38 & 39 Vict. c. 89. 41 Vict. c. 18. 44 & 45 Vict. c. 38.
Alkali - - - - - -	44 & 45 Vict. c. 37.
	And any Acts amending the said Acts, and conferring powers on the said Local Government Board in relation thereto.

CHAPTER 62.

An Act to amend the law relating to the Charges of Returning Officers at Parliamentary Elections.

[14th August 1885.]

38 & 39 Vict. c. 84.

WHEREAS by the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act, 1875, the returning officer may, if he thinks fit, require security to be given for the charges payable under the above Act in respect of an election to an amount not exceeding that specified in the Third Schedule to the Act, and by such Third Schedule it is provided as follows:—"If at the end of the two hours appointed for the "election, not more candidates stand nominated than there are "vacancies to be filled up, the maximum amount which may be "required is one fifth of the maximum according to the above "scale":

41 & 42 Vict. c. 41.

And whereas by the Parliamentary Elections Returning Officers Expenses (Scotland) Act, 1878, the returning officer may, if he thinks fit, require security to be given for the charges payable under the said Act in respect of an election to an amount not exceeding

that specified in the schedule to the Act, and by such schedule it is provided as follows: "If, at the end of the two hours appointed for "the election, not more candidates stand nominated than there are "vacancies to be filled up, the maximum amount which may be "required is one fifth of the maximum according to the above scale;":

And whereas it is expedient to reduce the said amount, and also to make further provisions with respect to the charges of returning officers in Scotland, and otherwise to amend the above Acts:

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 shall be construed, so far as regards England and Ireland, as one with the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act, 1875, and together with that Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Acts, 1875 and 1885, and this Act shall be construed, so far as regards Scotland, as one with the Parliamentary Elections Returning Officers Expenses (Scotland) Act, 1878, and, together with that Act, may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections Returning Officers (Scotland) Acts, 1878 and 1885, and this Act may be cited separately as the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act, 1885.

Reduction of amount required in uncontested election by Third Schedule of 38 & 39 Vict. c. 84.

2. In the Third Schedule to the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act, 1875, "twenty-five pounds" shall be substituted for "one fifth of the maximum according to the above scale" in the portion thereof (above recited) relating to elections where not more candidates stand nominated than there are vacancies to be filled up.

Reduction of amount required in uncontested elections by schedule of 41 & 42 Vict. c. 41.

3. In the schedule to the Parliamentary Elections Returning Officers Expenses (Scotland) Act, 1878, "twenty-five pounds" shall be substituted for "one fifth of the maximum, according to the above scale," in the portion thereof (above recited) relating to elections where not more candidates stand nominated than there are vacancies to be filled up.

Increase of returning officers charges in certain cases.

4. Notwithstanding the scale of charges laid down in the First Schedule of the Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers) Act, 1875, it shall be lawful in any county constituency in England for the returning officer to charge four guineas for each presiding officer and thirty shillings for each clerk at a polling station.

Payments to deputy returning officers.

5. Where a returning officer in Scotland is empowered to appoint a deputy, he may pay such deputy according to the scale set forth in the schedule to this Act, and such payments shall be allowed as expenses properly incurred by the returning officer within the meaning of the Parliamentary Elections Returning Officers Expenses (Scotland) Act, 1878, and of the Ballot Act, 1872.

SCHEDULE.

SCALE OF PAYMENT TO DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICERS.

	£	s.	d.
(1.) At a contested election. For every thousand or part of a thousand electors in the constituency - - -	1	10	0
(2.) At an uncontested election. For every thousand or part of a thousand electors - - - - -	0	10	0