certificate is taken out must obtain an indorsement of such certificate by the chief officer of police of such other district:

And whereas it is expedient to remove the necessity for such indorsement:

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 Pedlars Act, 1881.

This Act and the Pedlars Act, 1871, may be cited together as the Pedlars Acts, 1871 and 1881.

Alteration of 34 & 35 Vict. c. 96. so far as regards requiring indorsement of a pedlar's certificate.

2. A pedlar's certificate granted under the Pedlars Act, 1871, shall during the time for which it continues in force authorise the person to whom it is granted to act as a pedlar within any part of the United Kingdom.

The Pedlars Certificate Act, 1871, is repealed to the extent in the third column of the schedule to this Act mentioned.

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ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

A description or citation of a portion of an Act in this schedule is inclusive of the word, section, or other part first and last mentioned or otherwise referred to as forming the beginning, or as forming the end, of the portion described in the description or citation.

Session and Chapter.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
34 & 35 Vict. c. 96.	The Pedlars Act, 1871.	Section four, from "or acts as a pedlar in any district" down to "this Act"; section six from "a pedlar's certificate" down to "taken out"; section seven; in section eight the words "and of the indorsement of certificates" and the words "and made"; section twelve so far as it relates to an indorsement, and section fifteen so far as it relates to an indorsement.

CHAPTER 46.

An Act to amend the Patriotic Fund Act, 1867, and make further provision respecting certain Funds administered by the same Commissioners as the Patriotic Fund.

[22nd August 1881.]

WHEREAS the fund called the Patriotic Fund has been administered in accordance with commissions from Her Majesty (the original commission having been dated the seventh day of October one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and the supplementary commission having been dated the twenty-sixth day of March one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight), and in accord-

30 & 31 Vict. c. 98.

ance with the Patriotic Fund Act, 1867, and has been so administered by the Commissioners and the executive committee appointed by them in pursuance of the said commissions:

And whereas the Commissioners appropriated the Patriotic Fund for divers purposes, and among others for the erection and endowment of a girls school known as the Royal Victoria Patriotic Asylum for Girls, and for the partial endowment of a boys school known as the Royal Victoria Patriotic Asylum for Boys, and purchased land and erected thereon the said girls school and boys school, and such appropriations were confirmed by the Patriotic Fund Act, 1867:

And whereas, in pursuance of the said Act, Her Majesty by the said supplementary commission directed the Commissioners to apply the Patriotic Fund (subject to the appropriations above mentioned), in such manner as the Commissioners might think fit, for the purposes mentioned in section five of the said Act, and further directed that the fund known as the Rodriguez Fund should be applied for the like purposes as the Patriotic Fund:

And whereas the Commissioners have undertaken to apply to the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales for a scheme under the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, to deal with the government of the girls school known as the Royal Victoria Patriotic Asylum for Girls, and with such portion of the Patriotic Fund as has been appropriated for the endowment thereof:

32 & 33 Vict. c. 56.

And whereas it is expedient to authorise the sale of the boys school known as the Royal Victoria Patriotic Asylum for Boys, and to make such other provision with respect to the said Commissioners and the Patriotic Fund and Rodriguez Fund as is hereinafter contained:

And whereas the said Commissioners have accepted the administration of the funds mentioned in the schedule to this Act, and it is expedient to make further provision respecting those funds:

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 Patriotic Fund Act, 1881.

Authority to sell boys school.

2. The Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund may agree to sell the boys school known as the Royal Victoria Patriotic Asylum for Boys, and the land appropriated thereto, in such manner as they think expedient, and the official trustees of the Patriotic Fund within the meaning of the Patriotic Fund Act, 1867, may convey the same to the purchaser, and the conveyance by the said official trustees and their receipt for the purchase money shall be conclusive evidence in favour of the purchaser and all persons claiming through him that the sale of the property comprised in the conveyance was authorised by and duly made in pursuance of this Act, and that the purchase money was duly paid; and the purchaser shall not inquire into the legality of the sale or into the application of the purchase money, or be responsible for the non-application or misapplication thereof.

The said purchase money and also the part of the endowment appropriated for the boys school shall be carried to and form part

of the Patriotic Fund, and be applicable for the purposes to which the rest of that fund is for the time being applicable.

Filling up vacancies among Commissioners.

3. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty from time to time by warrant under Her Sign Manual to appoint any person to fill any vacancy among the Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund which has arisen either before or after the passing of this Act from death, resignation, or otherwise, and all persons so appointed shall be Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund, in like manner as if they were named in the above-recited commissions or in any supplemental commission issued after the passing of this Act.

Provision as to application of funds administered by the Patriotic Fund Commissioners.

4. It shall be lawful for Her Majesty from time to time, by supplemental commission under Her Royal Sign Manual, to direct the Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund to apply the Patriotic Fund and the income and accumulations thereof or any parts thereof (so far as not appropriated for the Royal Victoria Patriotic Asylum for Girls and for the purposes mentioned in the schedule to the Patriotic Fund Act, 1867, and so far as not required to meet liabilities and claims existing prior to the date of such commission) for such purposes for the benefit of the widows and children of officers and men of Her Majesty's military and naval forces, and in such manner as may be directed by the said commission, and so far as any direction in the commission does not extend, as the Commissioners from time to time think expedient.

This section shall apply to the Rodriguez Fund and to any surplus of the funds mentioned in the schedule to this Act which remains after providing for the special trusts of those funds in like manner as if such Rodriguez Fund and surplus formed part of the Patriotic Fund.

30 & 31 Vict. c. 98.

Sections six to twenty (both inclusive) of the Patriotic Fund Act, 1867, shall apply to all the funds mentioned in this section in like manner as if they were herein re-enacted, and as if the supplemental commission mentioned in these sections referred to any supplemental commission issued in pursuance of this Act, and as if the references in those sections to the said Act or to any section thereof referred to this section, and as if in the said sections as so re-enacted the Rodriguez Fund and the funds mentioned in the schedule to this Act, and any funds the administration of which may hereafter be accepted by the Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund, were specified as well as the Patriotic Fund: Provided that no transfer need be made under section eleven as so re-enacted of any funds already transferred to the official trustees of the Patriotic Fund, and that the account to be kept by the Paymaster-General under section fourteen shall be such as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time direct.

Approval of Treasury to pension under 30 & 31 Vict. c. 98. s. 19.

5. The Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund, before submitting to Her Majesty, under the Patriotic Fund Act, 1867, or this Act, any award of a pension or retiring allowance to any person employed by the Commissioners, shall obtain the approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to such award.

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Fund.	Circumstances of Fund.
Captain Fund -	This fund is administered under a trust deed of the 26th October 1871, which, after setting out the trusts of the fund, provides that any surplus shall be applied in relief of widows, children, or parents of officers, petty officers, non-commissioned officers, seamen, and marines of Her Majesty's Navy.
Royal Naval Relief Fund.	This fund is administered under a commission from Her Majesty, dated the 7th June 1875, for the immediate relief of any special objects of destitution arising among the widows, orphans, and other relatives of deceased officers, sailors, and marines who have served in the Navy.
Eurydice Fund -	This fund is administered under a trust deed dated the 19th November 1878, which, after setting out the trusts of the fund, provides that any surplus shall be transferred to the Royal Naval Relief Fund.
Zulu War Fund -	This fund is administered under a Royal Warrant dated the 22nd August 1879, which provides that, subject to the special trusts therein mentioned, the fund shall be administered as Her Majesty may from time to time direct.
Atalanta Fund -	This fund is administered under a trust deed dated the eleventh day of July 1881, which sets forth the trust of the fund, and provides that any surplus shall be paid to the Royal Naval Relief Fund.

CHAPTER 47.

An Act to amend the Law as regards the Presumption of Life in persons long absent from Scotland.

[22nd August 1881.]

WHEREAS great hardships have arisen from the want of any limitation to the presumption of life as regards persons who have been absent from Scotland or have disappeared for long periods of years, and it is desirable that a limitation should be provided:

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:

Presumption of life limited to seven years as regards income.

1. In the case of any person who has been absent from Scotland, or who has disappeared, for a period of seven years or upwards, and who has not been heard of for seven years, and who at the time of his leaving or disappearance was possessed of or entitled to heritable or movable estate in Scotland, or who has become entitled to such estate in Scotland, it shall be competent to any person entitled to succeed to an absent person in such estate to present a petition to the Court setting forth the said facts, and after proof of the said facts, and of the petitioner's being entitled as aforesaid, and after such procedure and inquiry, by advertisement or other-