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CHAPTER 9.

An Act to amend the Prisons Act of 1877, so far as regards the Superannuation of Prison Officers. [16th April 1886.]

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WHEREAS the sections of the Prison Acts of 1877 mentioned in the Schedule to this Act provide that where an existing officer of a prison, that is to say, an officer attached to a prison on the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight has been in the prison service for not less than twenty years, and otherwise fulfils the conditions in those sections mentioned, the Treasury may grant to such officer, having regard to his length of prison service, an annuity by way of superannuation allowance or a gratuity of the amount and subject to the conditions in those sections mentioned, and that any such annuity or gratuity is to be apportioned between the period of service before the said first day of April and the period of service after that day, and the former amount so apportioned is to be paid by the local authority, and the latter amount so apportioned is to be paid by the Treasury:

40 & 41 Vict. cc. 21, 49, 53.

And whereas the Army Act, 1879, and the Army Act, 1881, require a difference to be made in the treatment of military prisoners convicted of breaches of discipline, and those convicted of immoral or other criminal offences, and in order to meet such requirement, certain of the prisons transferred by the Prison Acts of 1877, or portions of those prisons were set apart for the reception of military or naval prisoners, and became military or naval prisons under the Army Act, 1879, or the Army Act, 1881, and the Naval Discipline Act respectively, but the existing officers of such prisons continued to serve therein:

And whereas doubts have arisen as to whether the service of such officers after the said first day of April in the prisons or the portions thereof so set apart is prison service within the meaning of the said sections of the Prison Acts of 1877, and for the purpose of enabling

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annuities by way of superannuation allowance or gratuities to be granted to such officers, it is expedient to remove such doubts:

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:

Explanation of prison service in Prison Acts of 1877. 40 & 41 Vict. cc. 21, 49, 53.

1. It is hereby declared that in the Prison Acts of 1877 mentioned in the Schedule to this Act, the expression "prison service" includes as respects the period after the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, service in a military prison under the Army Act, 1879, or the Army Act, 1881, and service in a naval prison under the Naval Discipline Act, and annuities by way of superannuation allowance and gratuities may accordingly be granted to any officer of a prison, and apportioned in manner provided by the said Prison Acts.

Short title and construction.

2. This Act may be cited as the Prison (Officers' Superannuation) Act, 1886.

This Act so far as it affects any of the Acts mentioned in the Schedule to this Act shall be construed as one with that Act.

This Act and the Prison (Officers' Superannuation) Act, 1878,—

(*a.*) so far as they relate to England may be cited together with the Prison Act, 1877, as the Prison Acts, 1877 to 1886, and

(*b.*) so far as they relate to Scotland may be cited together with the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, as the Prison (Scotland) Acts, 1877 to 1886; and

(*c.*) so far as they relate to Ireland may be cited together with the General Prisons (Ireland) Act, 1877, as the Prison (Ireland) Acts, 1877 to 1886.

SCHEDULE.

PRISON ACTS REFERRED TO.

Session and Chapter.	Short Title of Act.	Sections referred to.
40 & 41 Vict. c. 21 - -	The Prison Act, 1877 -	Section thirty-six.
40 & 41 Vict. c. 49 - -	The General Prisons (Ireland) Act, 1877.	Section thirty-two.
40 & 41 Vict. c. 53 - -	The Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877.	Section forty-three.

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