CHAPTER 21.

An Act to amend the Law with respect to Contested Elections of Burial Boards. [25th June 1885.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient that provision should be made with respect to the payment of expenses incurred in contested elections of burial boards appointed by vestries:

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 Burial Boards (Contested Elections) Act, 1885.

Expenses of polls to be paid by the burial board.

2. The reasonable expenses incurred in taking a poll of the ratepayers of any parish or part of a parish on the occasion either of the appointment or re-appointment by the vestry of persons to be the burial board for such parish or part of a parish, or of the filling up by the vestry of any vacancy or vacancies on such burial board, shall be defrayed by the burial board in the same manner as if they were expenses incurred by such burial board in carrying the Burial Acts into execution, and may be included in any certificate to the overseers in respect of the expenses of such burial board.

CHAPTER 22.

An Act to provide for Expenses incurred in relation to Conferences of Local Authorities. [25th June 1885.]

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:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Public Health and Local Government Conferences Act, 1885.

Expenses of local authorities may be allowed.

2. Any local authority may, when empowered by and subject to any regulations made by the Local Government Board in that behalf (which regulations the said Board is hereby authorised from time to time to make, vary, or rescind), pay the reasonable expenses of any member or members or clerk to the local authority attending any conference or meeting of members of local authorities held for the purpose of discussing any matter which is connected with the duties which devolve on them, and any reasonable expenses incurred in purchasing reports of the proceedings of any such meeting or conference, and may charge the amount to any rates applicable to the general purposes of the Public Health Act, 1875, within their district.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 55.

Interpretation.

3. Expressions used in this Act have the same respective meanings as they have in the Public Health Act, 1875, save and except that in England the term "local authority" shall not mean or include the urban authority of any borough.

Act to apply to Ireland.

4. In the application of this Act to Ireland—

(*a.*) The term "Local Government Board" shall mean the Local Government Board for Ireland:

41 & 42 Vict. c. 52.

(*b.*) The Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, shall be substituted for the Public Health Act, 1875:

(*c.*) The expression "local authority" shall mean rural sanitary authority and urban sanitary authority.

CHAPTER 23.

An Act for the Redistribution of Seats at Parliamentary Elections, and for other purposes. [25th June 1885.]

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:

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Redistribution of Seats Act, 1885.

PART I.

REDISTRIBUTION.

Boroughs.

Boroughs named in First Schedule to become parts of counties or boroughs.

2. From and after the end of this present Parliament the Parliamentary boroughs named in the first part of the First Schedule to this Act shall cease as boroughs to return any member.

Each of the counties of cities and towns in the second part of the said schedule named shall, for the purpose of Parliamentary elections, be included in the county at large named opposite thereto in that part of the said schedule.

Disfranchisement of certain boroughs for corruption.

3. Whereas Commissioners appointed in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty, in pursuance of Addresses to Her Majesty from both Houses of Parliament in relation to Parliamentary elections for the Parliamentary boroughs named in the third part of the First Schedule to this Act, reported in that year that corrupt practices had extensively prevailed in the said boroughs at such elections, be it therefore enacted as follows:—

After the passing of this Act each of the Parliamentary boroughs named in the third part of the First Schedule to this Act shall cease to be entitled to return any member.

Boroughs to have numbers of members reduced.

4. From and after the end of this present Parliament the City of London shall return two members, and no more, and each of the Parliamentary boroughs named in the Second Schedule to this Act shall return one member, and no more.

Boroughs to have additional members.

5. From and after the end of this present Parliament each of the Parliamentary boroughs named in the Third Schedule to this Act shall return the number of members named opposite to such borough in the said schedule.