and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and 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:

Issue of 10,818,274*l.* out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 31st March 1881.

1. The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the time being may issue out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and apply towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one the sum of ten million eight hundred and eighteen thousand two hundred and seventy-four pounds.

Power to the Treasury to borrow.

2. The Commissioners of the Treasury may borrow from time to time on the credit of the said sum, any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole the sum of ten million eight hundred and eighteen thousand two hundred and seventy-four pounds, and shall repay the moneys so borrowed with interest not exceeding five pounds per centum per annum out of the growing produce of the Consolidated Fund at any period not later than the next succeeding quarter to that in which the said moneys were borrowed.

Any sums so borrowed shall be placed to the credit of the account of Her Majesty's Exchequer, and shall form part of the said Consolidated Fund, and be available in any manner in which such fund is available.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1880 (Session 2).

CHAPTER 31.

An Act to amend the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864.

[26th August 1880.]

27 & 28 Vict. c. 121.

WHEREAS by the Railways Construction Facilities Act it has been necessary for the Board of Trade to lay before both Houses of Parliament a draft of the certificate which it is empowered to grant in certain cases for the construction of railways:

And whereas it is desirable to facilitate the construction of certain railways in Ireland during the present and coming year:

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 Railways Construction Amendment (Ireland) Act, 1880.

Issue of certificate when Parliament is not sitting. 27 & 28 Vict. c. 121. 43 & 44 Vict. c. 14.

2. During the years one thousand eight hundred and eighty and one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, the Board of Trade may, if Parliament is not sitting, when the Board has settled the draft certificate referred to in the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, at once issue their certificate for any Irish railways now scheduled in the Relief of Distress (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1880, and it shall not be necessary to refer to either House of Parliament or to lay a draft of such certificate before either House of Parliament.

Issue of certificate when Parliament is sitting. 27 & 28 Vict. c. 121.

3. If Parliament is sitting when the draft certificate is settled by the Board of Trade, such draft certificate shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament for two weeks instead of six weeks as specified in section sixteen of the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, and if neither House of Parliament within the period of two weeks thinks fit to resolve that the certificate ought not to be made, then as soon as the period of two weeks after the laying of the draft certificate before both Houses of Parliament has expired, the Board of Trade may make and issue a certificate in conformity with such draft.

Advertisements of application. 27 & 28 Vict. c. 121.

4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, and the regulations scheduled thereto, the advertisements of the application may be made at any time, and may state that objections or representations must be made within twenty-one days from the date of such advertisement, and any objection or representation not made within such period of twenty-one days shall be deemed not to have been made within the period limited by the said Act.

Award of borrowing powers to railway companies. 43 & 44 Vict. c. 14.

5. The Board of Trade may, if they think fit, in their certificate, award for any railway scheduled in the schedule of the Relief of Distress (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1880, borrowing powers not exceeding one half of the amount of the share capital authorised by the certificate.

Application of 27 & 28 Vict. c. 121.

6. All the provisions of the Railways Construction Facilities Act, 1864, shall apply to the making and effect of every such certificate, except when inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

Extent of Act.

7. This Act shall extend to Ireland only.

Duration of Act.

8. This Act shall expire on the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, except as regards any application pending at that date.

CHAPTER 32.

An Act to render valid certain Orders in Bastardy. [26th August 1880.]

36 & 37 Vict. c. 9.

35 & 36 Vict. c. 65.

WHEREAS by the Bastardy Laws Amendment Act, 1873, it was enacted that the Local Government Board might issue such new or altered forms of proceedings in matters of bastardy as they should deem necessary or expedient for giving effect to the provisions of that Act and the Bastardy Laws Amendment Act, 1872; and the said Board issued certain forms accordingly:

And whereas many orders in bastardy have been made which are not in accordance with the forms so issued, or to the like tenor or effect, and in particular the words "for the maintenance and education of the said child" have been omitted from the said orders, and questions have in consequence arisen as to the validity of the same:

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:

Confirmation of orders.

1. An order so made as aforesaid before the passing of this Act shall not be, or be deemed to be, invalid by reason of the omission from such order of the words "for the maintenance and education of the said child," or words to the like tenor or effect.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the Bastardy Orders Act, 1880.
