CHAPTER 71.

An Act to regulate the Practice in Registry Courts in Ireland. [15th August 1879.]

WHEREAS it is desirable to amend the law regulating the practice in Registry Courts in Ireland:

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 for all purposes as the Registry Courts (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1879.

Limitation of Act.

2. This Act shall apply to Ireland only.

Commencement of Act.

3. This Act shall commence and take effect on and from the first day of September one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

Explanation of certain part of the 56th section of 13 & 14 Vict. c. 69.

4. So much of the Act passed in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter sixty-nine, intituled "An Act to amend the laws which regulate the qualifica- " tion and registration of parliamentary voters in Ireland, and to " alter the law for rating immediate lessors of premises to the poor " rate in certain boroughs," as declares that at the holding of any court under the said Act no party or other person should appear or be attended or heard by counsel, shall not be read and construed to apply to any counsel who for the time being may be a member of Parliament, in respect to his appearance or attending in any court of registration purposes in the county or borough which he may for the time being represent: Provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall confer on him any right of exclusive audience or pre-audience.

CHAPTER 72.

An Act to provide for the re-hearing of Investigations into Shipping Casualties, and to amend the rules as to the mode of holding, and procedure at, such Investigations. [15th August 1879.]

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; that is to say,

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Shipping Casualties Investigations Act, 1879.

Re-hearing of and appeal against investigation into shipping casualty or misconduct of officer. 17 & 18 Vict. c. 104.

2. (1.) Where an investigation into the conduct of a master, mate, or engineer, or into a shipping casualty, has been held under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, or any Act amending the same, or under any provision for holding such investigations in a British possession, the Board of Trade may, in any case, and shall, if new and important evidence which could not be produced at the investigation has been discovered, or if for any other reason there has in their opinion been ground for suspecting a miscarriage of justice, order that the case be re-heard, either generally or as to any