CHAPTER 35.

An Act to amend the Boiler Explosions Act, 1882.

[4th August 1890.]

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 Boiler Explosions Act, 1890, and this Act and the Boiler Explosions Act, 1882, may be cited together as the Boiler Explosions Acts, 1882 and 1890.

Amendment of 45 & 46 Vict. c. 22.

2. So much of section four of the Boiler Explosions Act, 1882, as relates to any boiler other than a boiler used in the service of Her Majesty, or used exclusively for domestic purposes, is hereby repealed, and the said Act shall apply in the case of any boiler explosion occurring on board a British ship.

Notice as to explosion at sea.

3. In the case of an explosion occurring at sea, the notice required by section five of the Boiler Explosions Act, 1882, shall be sent by the owner or master of the ship, and shall be sent within twenty-four hours after the occurrence of the explosion, or as soon thereafter as possible; but this provision shall not apply where a report of the explosion has been duly sent in pursuance of section three hundred and twenty-six of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854.

17 & 18 Vict. c. 104.

Provision for witnesses.

4. Every person who refuses to attend as a witness after having been required so to do in the manner specified in section six of the Boiler Explosions Act, 1882, and after having had a tender made to him of the expenses therein mentioned, or who refuses or neglects to make any answer, or to give any return, or to produce any documents in his possession, or to make or subscribe any declarations required under the powers of the said Act, shall for each such offence be liable to a fine of not exceeding ten pounds, recoverable as therein provided.

CHAPTER 36.

An Act to amend the Removal Terms (Scotland) Act, 1886.

[4th August 1890.]

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 and extent of Act.

1. This Act may be cited as the Removal Terms (Scotland) Act, 1886, Amendment Act, 1890, and shall extend to Scotland only.

Terms as to service and removals.

2. Where under any contract of service entered into after the passing of this Act, the term for the commencement or the expiry of such service shall be one or other of the terms of Whit Sunday

or Martinmas, a servant hired by the half year or year shall, in the absence of express stipulation to the contrary, enter upon or quit such service (any custom or usage to the contrary notwithstanding) at noon on the twenty-eighth day of May if the term be Whit Sunday, or at noon on the twenty-eighth day of November if the term be Martinmas, or on the following day at the same hour when the said terms or either of them fall on a Sunday.

Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained, in all cases in which warning of removal from a house is required forty days before a Whit Sunday or Martinmas term of removal, such warning shall be given forty days before the fifteenth day of May and the eleventh day of November respectively.

CHAPTER 37.

An Act to consolidate the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts.

[4th August 1890.]

WHEREAS by treaty, capitulation, grant, usage, sufferance, and other lawful means, Her Majesty the Queen has jurisdiction within divers foreign countries, and it is expedient to consolidate the Acts relating to the exercise of Her Majesty's jurisdiction out of Her dominions:

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:

Exercise of jurisdiction in foreign country.

1. It is and shall be lawful for Her Majesty the Queen to hold, exercise, and enjoy any jurisdiction which Her Majesty now has or may at any time hereafter have within a foreign country in the same and as ample a manner as if Her Majesty had acquired that jurisdiction by the cession or conquest of territory.

Exercise of jurisdiction over British subjects in countries without regular governments.

2. Where a foreign country is not subject to any government from whom Her Majesty the Queen might obtain jurisdiction in the manner recited by this Act, Her Majesty shall by virtue of this Act have jurisdiction over Her Majesty's subjects for the time being resident in or resorting to that country, and that jurisdiction shall be jurisdiction of Her Majesty in a foreign country within the meaning of the other provisions of this Act.

Validity of acts done in pursuance of jurisdiction.

3. Every act and thing done in pursuance of any jurisdiction of Her Majesty in a foreign country shall be as valid as if it had been done according to the local law then in force in that country.

Evidence as to existence or extent of jurisdiction in foreign country.

4. If in any proceeding, civil or criminal, in a court in Her Majesty's dominions or held under the authority of Her Majesty any question arises as to the existence or extent of any jurisdiction of Her Majesty in a foreign country, a Secretary of State shall, on the application of the court, send to the court within a reasonable