discharged by means of the sinking fund), and the resulting income of the investments of interest shall be applied as part of the sinking fund.

(2.) The securities in which the sinking fund is invested before its application in discharge of the loan shall be approved by the Treasury.

Alteration of Act relating to guaranteed loan.

5. Every ordinance of the Legislature of the colony of Mauritius which in any way impairs the priority of the charge upon the general revenues and assets of the colony of Mauritius of the loan guaranteed under this Act, and the interest and the sinking fund thereof, and the sums paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom and the interest thereon, shall, so far only as it impairs such priority, be void, unless the consent of the Treasury has been previously obtained.

Issue out of consolidated fund.

6. The Treasury may charge on and issue out of the growing produce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom the sums required to fulfil the guarantee under this Act in respect either of principal or interest, and may certify to a Secretary of State the amount and date of the issue, and the certificate shall be communicated to the Governor of the Colony of Mauritius, and shall be conclusive evidence of the amount having been issued and of the time when it was issued.

Returns to Parliament.

7. The Treasury shall lay before both Houses of Parliament a statement of any guarantee under this Act and an account of all sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund for the purpose of this Act forthwith after the same is given or issued.

CHAPTER 50.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries. [27th June 1892.]

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 Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1892, and so far as is consistent with the tenor thereof shall be read as one with the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Acts, 1861 to 1886, and with Parts III. and IV. of the Fisheries Act, 1891, and those Acts and this Act may collectively be cited as the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Acts, 1861 to 1892.

Application of Act.

2. This Act shall not extend to Scotland or Ireland.

Consignment of salmon trout and char.

3. During the period between the third day of September and the first day of February, both inclusive, no person shall consign or send by any common or other carrier any salmon trout or char

unless the package containing the same shall be conspicuously marked by painting or branding the word salmon trout or char respectively on the outside thereof, and during such period any officer of Customs, any officer of any board of conservators acting within the area of the jurisdiction of such board, any officer of a market authority acting within the area of the jurisdiction of such authority, any officer appointed for that purpose in writing by the Board of Trade, and any officer appointed in writing by the Fishmongers Company at any place may open any package so consigned or sent or brought to any place to be so consigned or sent and suspected to contain salmon trout or char, and if such package is found to contain salmon trout or char and is not marked in accordance with this section, or if there is reasonable cause to suspect that the salmon trout or char contained in any marked package is being dealt with contrary to law, may detain such package and the contents thereof until proof is given in manner provided by law that such salmon trout or char is not being so dealt with, and in like manner and under like conditions may detain any such salmon trout or char not packed in any package, and if before such proof is given any salmon trout or char detained under the provisions of this section becomes unfit for human food, may destroy the same. Any person offending against this section or refusing to allow any person acting under the authority thereof to exercise the powers conferred thereby or obstructing any such person in the exercise of those powers, shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding five pounds. Any package containing salmon trout or char, and not marked in accordance with this section, shall be forfeited, together with the contents thereof, on the conviction of the offender.

Legal proceedings.

4. Proceedings against a person contravening any of the provisions of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Acts, 1861 to 1892, may be instituted before a court of summary jurisdiction in any place in which the salmon trout or char in respect whereof the proceedings are taken may be found, and any salmon trout or char which may be forfeited upon the conviction of an offender shall be disposed of as the court shall direct.

Continuation of existing provisions.

5. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to take away or repeal any provision of any existing Act of Parliament, but the provisions of this Act shall be in addition to all such provisions.

Definitions.

6. In this Act, unless there is something inconsistent in the context, the expressions herein-after mentioned shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say;

(*a.*) "Package" shall mean and include any box, basket, barrel, case, receptacle, sack, bag, wrapper, or other thing in which fish is placed for the purpose of carriage, consignment, or exportation;

(*b.*) "Market authority" shall include any corporation or sanitary authority, or any body of trustees or undertakers having power to maintain or regulate any market;

(*c.*) "Fishmongers Company" shall mean the wardens and commonalty of the Mistery of Fishmongers of the city of London;

(*d.*) "Salmon trout and char" shall include part of any such fish respectively.

CHAPTER 51.

An Act to make provision in regard to the Distribution and Application of Sums from time to time paid to the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account and in regard to the Fee Grant in Scotland. [27th June 1892.]

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:—

Repeal of 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 22 (in part).

1.—(1.) So much of section twenty-two of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as provides for the application of any balance of moneys standing to the credit of the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account towards relief from the payment of school fees in the State-aided schools in Scotland, is hereby repealed as from the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, without prejudice to any right accrued before that day, or to the distribution of the moneys referred to in the said section in so far as hereby unrepealed, and in lieu thereof it is enacted as follows:

Fee grant in Scotland.

After the financial year ending the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, there shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament an annual grant towards relief from the payment of school fees in the State-aided schools in Scotland, of two hundred and sixty-five thousand pounds (or of such other amount as Parliament may determine, having regard to the amount of the fee grant under the Elementary Education Act, 1891), and that grant (in this Act called the fee grant in Scotland) shall be distributed in such manner and in accordance with such conditions as may be set forth in the Scotch Education Code annually submitted to Parliament.

(2.) For the purpose of section nineteen of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, the fee grant paid or payable to a school shall be deemed to be income derived from a source other than the parliamentary grant.

Application of certain sums to the credit of the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account.

2. Whereas under the provisions of the immediately preceding section sums standing to the credit of the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account, and hitherto applicable as in such section mentioned, will be available for application to other purposes; be it enacted that until Parliament otherwise determines out of the said account sums