day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five shall be taken to be the time appointed for the commencement of the said Act.

3. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Supreme Court of Judicature (Commencement) Act, 1874. Short title of Act.

CHAPTER 84.

An Act to regulate the Incorporation of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, and for other purposes relating thereto.

[7th August 1874.]

WHEREAS there are divers Corporations created by the various Acts of Parliament mentioned in the first schedule to this Act, and now subsisting under the same name of "The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings," and the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings are also incorporated under the name of the Battersea Park Commissioners, by the Act mentioned in the second schedule to this Act, and it is expedient that all such Corporations should be amalgamated:

And whereas it is also expedient that certain royal properties now under the management of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues should be placed under the management of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings:

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:

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Works and Public Buildings Act, 1874." Short title.

2. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings as incorporated by and for the purposes of the Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter forty-two, are hereby declared to be, and shall be a Corporation to all intents and purposes, and as such shall have and hold, and may exercise not only all the estates, property, interests, privileges, and powers now vested in or enjoyed by them under that Act, but also all estates, property, interests, privileges, and powers now vested in or held or enjoyed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings as a Corporation under the Act of the fifteenth and sixteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter twenty-eight, or any subsequent Act, and in or by the Battersea Park Commissioners. Commissioners incorporated by 14 & 15 Vict. c. 42. to have the powers conferred on subsequent Commissioners.

3. The Corporation of the Battersea Park Commissioners, and all Corporations existing under the name of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, except the Corporation hereby confirmed, are hereby dissolved, but not so as to affect prejudicially any existing rights or pending proceedings; and the continuing Corporation shall perform all the duties, and be subject to and bear and discharge all the existing liabilities of all the dissolved Corporations out of the funds applicable to the same respectively, and shall have the benefit of all covenants and agreements entered into with any of the dissolved Corporations. Dissolution of Corporation created subsequent to 14 & 15 Vict.

4. The first Commissioner and the other Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, and all officers of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, shall retain and have for the purposes of this Act in relation to the Corporation hereby confirmed all the powers and authorities given to or enjoyed by them in relation to any of the Corporations hereby dissolved, and also all the powers and authority given to or enjoyed by them by or under the said Acts of the fourteenth and fifteenth years and the fifteenth and sixteenth years of Her Majesty. Powers of Commissioners.

Transfer of Dunfermline Palace, &c. from Commissioners of Woods to Commissioners of Works.

5. From and after the passing of this Act the Royal Palace of Dunfermline or ruins thereof, and so much of the land adjacent thereto as is now vested in or belongs to Her Majesty in right of Her Crown, and also the Royal Palace of Linlithgow or ruins thereof, and the peel or park surrounding the same, with the adjacent loch, also the King's Garden and Knott, being part of the Crown estate, Stirling, shall be and the same are hereby transferred from the management of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues to the management of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, as if the said palaces and lands had been included in the twenty-second section of the said Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter forty-two.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Session and Chapter.	Title of Act.
14 & 15 Vict. c. 42. -	An Act to make better provision for the management of the woods, forests, and land revenues of the Crown, and for the direction of public works and buildings.
15 & 16 Vict. c. 28. -	An Act to amend an Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her present Majesty for the direction of public works and buildings, and to vest the buildings appropriated for the accommodation of the supreme courts of justice in Edinburgh in the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.
15 & 16 Vict. c. 29. -	An Act to empower the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to inclose and lay out Kennington Common, in the county of Surrey, as pleasure grounds for the recreation of the public.
16 & 17 Vict. c. 46. -	An Act to transfer Westminster Bridge and the estates of the Commissioners of Westminster Bridge to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, and to enable such last-mentioned Commissioners to remove the present bridge and to build a new bridge on or near the site thereof.
18 & 19 Vict. c. 95. -	An Act to enable the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to provide additional offices for the public service in or near Downing Street, Westminster.
21 & 22 Vict. c. 40. -	An Act to confer powers on the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to acquire the Theatre Royal, Edinburgh, and adjacent property, for the erection of a new General Post Office, and for other purposes.
22 Vict. c. 19. - -	An Act to make further provision for enabling the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works to acquire a site for additional offices for the public service near Whitehall and Her Majesty's Palace at Westminster.
22 & 23 Vict. c. 16. -	An Act to enable the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works to acquire a site for the purposes of Her Majesty's Court of Probate and other courts and offices.
22 & 23 Vict. c. 58. -	An Act to empower the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to acquire additional space for the western approach to Westminster New Bridge.
23 & 24 Vict. c. 117. -	An Act to confer powers on the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to acquire certain property in Edinburgh for the erection of an industrial museum for Scotland.
28 & 29 Vict. c. 49. -	An Act to enable the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to acquire a site for the erection and concentration of courts of justice and for the various offices belonging to the same.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Session and Chapter.	Title of Act.
14 & 15 Vict. c. 77. -	An Act to alter and extend the powers of an Act of the ninth and tenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to empower the Commissioners of "Her Majesty's Woods to form a royal park in Battersea Fields, in the "county of Surrey."