



CHAPTER 42.

An Act to provide for defraying the Expenditure on account of Greenwich Hospital directly out of the Revenues of Greenwich Hospital; to amend in other respects the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1883; and to amend the law relating to the Naval Knights of Windsor. A.D. 1885.

[31st July 1885.]

WHEREAS the present practice of defraying the expenditure on account of Greenwich Hospital out of money provided in the first instance by Parliament, and subsequently repaid by Greenwich Hospital, is unnecessary and inconvenient:

And whereas it is expedient to provide for defraying such expenditure directly out of the revenues of Greenwich Hospital, and in other respects to amend the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1883:

28 & 29 Vict. c. 89.
32 & 33 Vict. c. 44.
33 & 34 Vict. c. 100.
35 & 36 Vict. c. 67.
46 & 47 Vict. c. 32.

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:

1. This Act may be cited as the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1885; and this Act and the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1883, shall be read and have effect together as one Act, and may be cited together as the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1885. Short title and construction of Act.

2. All expenditure which under the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1883, is in the first instance defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament for the purpose, shall, as from the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, be defrayed directly out of the money for the time being standing to the credit of the Greenwich Hospital Income Account. Expenditure to be defrayed out of revenues of Greenwich Hospital.

If in any year the money standing to the credit of that account should prove inadequate to meet the expenditure chargeable on it,

A.D. 1885. it shall be the duty of Her Majesty's Paymaster General from time to time, under the direction of the Admiralty, to carry over from the Greenwich Hospital Capital Account such sums as may be required to make good any such deficiency.

Annual estimate to be laid before Parliament.

3. A statement showing under proper heads the estimated income and expenditure of Greenwich Hospital for the current financial year shall be annually laid by the Admiralty before Parliament, and be submitted for approval by resolution of the House of Commons.

The Comptroller and Auditor General shall not allow as a charge against income any expenditure not covered by the sum total of the approved estimate of the year in which it comes in course of payment, unless the same shall have been specifically sanctioned by resolution of the House of Commons.

Amendment of 28 & 29 Vict. c. 89. s. 47.

4. The duties of the Accountant General of the Navy under section forty-seven of the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1865, may henceforth be performed by such officer as the Admiralty may from time to time direct.

Amendment of 35 & 36 Vict. c. 67. s. 5.

5. The total number of boys and girls being educated and maintained under section five of the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1872, at any one time shall not exceed such number as may from time to time be prescribed by Her Majesty in Council.

Exercise of powers of Admiralty under Greenwich Hospital Acts.

6. All powers authorities and duties conferred and imposed on the Admiralty by or under the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1883, or any of them, or any Act amending the same, may be exercised and performed by any one or more of the Lords Commissioners or Secretaries of the Admiralty as the Admiralty may from time to time by minute or otherwise see fit to direct.

Eligibility of retired captains and commanders for appointment as naval knights of Windsor.

7. Whereas certain persons were incorporated by a Royal Charter under the name of "the poor knights of Windsor of the foundation of Samuel Travers, Esquire," and the persons eligible for appointment as such knights were superannuated or disabled lieutenants of English men-of-war :

And whereas by two Acts passed in the years one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, it has been provided that the said poor knights should be styled naval knights, and that a lieutenant of the Royal Navy retired with the rank of commander should be eligible for appointment as one of such naval knights :

And whereas by reason of the insufficient number of persons suitable for appointment as naval knights of Windsor it is expedient to make commanders and captains on the retired list of the Royal

Navy eligible for such appointment: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— A.D. 1885.

- (1.) A retired officer of the Royal Navy, with the rank of captain or commander, if otherwise qualified, shall be eligible for appointment as one of the naval knights of Windsor :
- (2.) A person who has been appointed as naval knight of Windsor shall not become disqualified by reason of his succeeding to the rank of a commander, or a captain, or a flag officer :
- (3.) The said knights shall continue to be styled naval knights.

8. The enactments specified in the schedule to this Act are hereby repealed, but without prejudice to anything done or suffered before the passing of this Act ; and without prejudice to repayment to the Consolidated Fund of all moneys provided by Parliament for the purposes of the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1883, for the year ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five ; and such repayment shall take place as if this Act had not been passed. Repeal.

A.D. 1885.

THE SCHEDULE.

ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

PART I.

*Greenwich Hospital Acts.**

Session and Chapter.	Short Title.	Extent of Repeal.
28 & 29 Vict. c. 89. -	The Greenwich Hospital Act, 1865.	Sections nine, twenty-one, forty-eight, fifty, fifty-one, fifty-seven.
33 & 34 Vict. c. 100. -	The Greenwich Hospital Act, 1870.	The whole Act.
35 & 36 Vict. c. 67. -	The Greenwich Hospital Act, 1872.	In section five the words "The total number of boys and girls being educated and maintained under this section at any one time shall not exceed fifty"; and sections six and seven.
46 & 47 Vict. c. 32. -	The Greenwich Hospital Act, 1883.	Section five.

PART II.

Knights of Windsor Acts.

24 & 25 Vict. c. 116. -	An Act for the appropriation in favour of the military knights and the churches of Windsor of two of the canonries suspended in the chapel of Windsor, and for making certain provisions respecting the naval knights of Windsor.	Section four.
30 & 31 Vict. c. 100. -	The Naval Knights of Windsor Act, 1867.	Section one.

* *Note*.—Sections ten and twelve of the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1869, are repealed by the Statute Law Revision Act, 1883, 46 & 47 Vict. c. 39.