



Prisons (Scotland) Act 1877

1877 CHAPTER 53

PART II

SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

As to Contracts and Debts

25 Provision as to continuing contracts

Where any contract or dealing, in which any prison authority is concerned, is a continuous contract or dealing to be performed partly before, and partly after the commencement of this Act, and is not a contract or dealing which is declared by this Act to have determined, or a debt of the nature referred to in the preceding section, such contract or dealing shall be deemed to be divisible, and as to so much thereof as is performable before the commencement of this Act, shall create a debt or obligation to be discharged or performed by the prison authority concerned therein, and as to so much thereof as is performable after the commencement of this Act, shall create a debt or obligation to be discharged or performed out of moneys provided by Parliament.

For the purpose of enforcing the obligations laid upon or reserved against prison authorities in this and the three preceding sections, "prison authority" shall mean the commissioners of supply of the county at the passing of this Act within the jurisdiction of the prison authority ; and all such obligations shall be a charge against the county general assessment of such county, but with a right of relief against the burgh or burghs at the passing of this Act within the said jurisdiction, and the municipal or police or other assessments thereof, in the proportion of the valuation of such burgh or burghs respectively to the valuation of such county.