

THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON ALMANACK FOR 1856.

AN EXPLANATORY TABLE OF THE
PUBLIC ACTS OF PARLIAMENT
PASSED IN THE EIGHTEENTH AND NINETEENTH YEARS OF
HER MAJESTY'S REIGN, 1854-5.

. The date after each Act records the exact time of its passing.

- Cap. 1. An Act to Enable the Queen to accept the Services of the Militia out of the United Kingdom, for the vigorous Prosecution of the War. 23rd Dec.
2. An Act to Permit Foreigners to be Enlisted and Serve as Officers and Soldiers in her Majesty's Forces. 23rd Dec.
3. An Act to Carry into Effect a Treaty relative to the North American Fisheries between her Majesty and the United States of America. 19th Feb.
4. An Act to Amend the Act for Limiting the Time of Service in the Army, so as to allow Soldiers to be Enlisted and Re-enlisted, not only for terms of Nine, Ten, Eleven, or Twelve Years, but for less terms than those. 27th Feb.
5. An Act to Apply the Sum of £3,000,000 out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the Year ending March 31, 1855. 5th March.
6. An Act to Apply the Sum of £20,000,000 out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the Year 1855. 5th March.
7. An Act to Extend to Ireland the Provisions of the 18th Section of the Common Law Procedure Act, 1854, relating to the mode of Counsel's addresses at Trials. 16th March.
8. An Act for Raising the Sum of £17,183,000 by Exchequer Bills for the Service of the Year 1855. 16th March.
9. An Act to Suspend (until periods of 12 and 24 months after peace with Russia) the Decline of the Customs Duties on Tea from and after the 5th of April, 1855. 16th March.
10. An Act to Enable a Third Principal Secretary of State and a Third Under Secretary of State to sit in the House of Commons. 16th March. Not more than three Secretaries and three Under Secretaries of State shall sit in Parliament at the same time. 16th March.
11. An Act for Punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the Better Payment of the Army and their Quarters, and
12. An Act for the Regulation of her Majesty's Royal Marine Forces whilst on Shore. 16th March. The usual annual Acts relating to the Army.
13. An Act to Explain and Amend the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1853. 26th April.
14. An Act to Authorise the Inclosure of certain Lands in Pursuance of a Report of the Inclosure Commissioners for England and Wales. 26th April. The following are the inclosures to be made under this statute:—Kirkland, Melmerby, Bootle, Cumberland; North Coats, Lincolnshire; Bowerchake, Wilts; Engollan Common, Cornwall; Uleskef, Ikley Cow Pasture, Yorkshire; Thrandeston, Suffolk; Milburn Fell Pasture, Westmorland; Great Boughton, Cheshire; Dymock, Gloucestershire; Westwick, Cambridgeshire; Pendine, Carmarthenshire; Barnes, Surrey; Ramsden Bellhouse, Essex; West Lulworth and Winfrith Newburgh, Dorsetshire; Penline and Langan, Glamorganshire; The Wash Common, Berks; Horsepath and Shotover, Oxon.
15. An Act for the better Protection of Purchasers against Judgments, Crown Debts, Cases of *Lis Pendens*, and Life Annuities, or Rent Charges. 26th April.
16. An Act to Authorise the Letting Parts of the Royal Forests of Dean and Woolmer, and certain other Parts of the Hereditary Possessions of the Crown. 26th April.
17. An Act to Carry into effect a Convention between her Majesty and the King of Sardinia, relative to his furnishing an army of 15,000 Men, and his being paid a Loan of £1,000,000 a year during the present War. 26th April.
18. An Act for Raising the Sum of £16,000,000 by way of Annuities. 5th May.
19. An Act to Remove Doubts as to the Commissions of Officers of Militia in Ireland who have Omitted to deliver to the Clerk of the Peace descriptions of their Qualifications, and to indemnify them against the consequences of such Omission, and to amend the Law relating to the Militia in Ireland. 25th May.
20. An Act for Granting to her Majesty an Increased Rate of 2d. in the Pound on Income Tax, from the 5th April, 1855, which, with the former Increased Rates, is to last until the 6th April after the expiration of one year from the ratification of a definite treaty of peace. 25th May.
21. An Act for Granting certain Duties of Customs on Tea, Coffee, Sugar, and other Articles. 25th May. This Act is passed to correct a mistake in the Customs Act of last Session, the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 122.
22. An Act for Granting certain Additional Rates and Duties of Excise. 25th May.
23. An Act to Alter in certain respects the Law of Intestate Moveable Succession in Scotland. 25th May.
24. An Act to Amend the 2 and 3 William IV, c. 65, the Reform Act, in so far as relates to the time, after receipt of the Writ, of announcing the day (within six and twelve days after such receipt) for County Elections in Scotland. 25th May.
25. An Act to Allow Affirmations or Declarations to be made instead of Oaths in certain cases in Scotland. 25th May.
26. An Act to Continue, for five years from the passing of this Act, the 13 and 14 Vic., c. 16, an Act for Enabling the Judges of the Courts of Common Law at Westminster to Alter the Forms of Pleading. 25th May.
27. An Act to Amend the Laws relating to the Stamp Duties on Newspapers, and to provide for the Transmission by Post of Printed Periodical Publications. 15th June. By this Act it is no longer compulsory to print newspapers on stamps. Newspapers on stamps will pass (if showing the stamp) free through the post for fifteen days after publication. The Act also provides further for the transmission of newspapers and periodical publications through the post.
28. An Act to Provide that the Property or Income Tax payable in respect of the Income from Ecclesiastical Property in Ireland shall be a Deduction in Estimating the Value of such Property for the purpose of Taxation by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. 15th June.
29. An Act to Make further Provision for the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Scotland. 15th June.
30. An Act to Empower the Commissioners of Sewers to expend on House Drainage a certain Sum out of the Moneys borrowed by them on the Security of the Rates, and also to give to the said Commissioners certain other Powers for the same purpose. 15th June.
31. An Act to Confirm the Incorporation of the Borough of Brighton. 15th June.
32. An Act to Amend and Extend the Jurisdiction of the Stannary Court. 15th June.
33. An Act to Prevent Doubts as to the Validity in the House of Commons of certain Proceedings during the unavoidable absence of the Speaker. 15th June.
34. An Act to Provide for the Education of Children receiving Out-door Relief. 26th June.
35. An Act to Continue until the 5th July, 1856, the 16 and 17 Vic., c. 91, an Act for Extending for a limited time the Provision for Abatement of Income Tax in respect of Insurance on Lives. 26th June.
36. An Act to Repeal the Stamp Duties payable on Matriculation and Degrees in the University of Oxford. 26th June.
37. An Act to Apply the Sum of Ten Millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of 1855. 26th June.
38. An Act to Allow Spirit of Wine to be used Duty-free in the Arts and Manufactures of the United Kingdom. 26th June.
39. An Act to Facilitate Grants of Lands and Tenements for the Purpose of Religious Worship not of the Established Church, and other purposes connected therewith in Ireland. 26th June.
40. An Act for further Promoting the Establishment of free Public Libraries and Museums in Ireland. 26th June.
41. An Act for Abolishing the Jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Courts of England and Wales in Suits for Defamation. 26th June.
42. An Act to Enable British Diplomatic and Consular Agents abroad to administer Oaths and do Notarial Acts. 26th June.
43. An Act to Enable Infants (*i. e.*, persons under the age of 21 years), with the Approbation of the Court of Chancery, to make Binding Settlements of their Real and Personal Estate on Marriage. 2nd July.
44. An Act to Amend the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 99, an Act providing for the Establishment of a National Gallery of Paintings, Sculpture, and the Fine Arts, for the Care of a Public Library, and the Erection of a Public Museum, in Dublin. 2nd July.
45. An Act for further Assimilating the Practice in the County Palatine of Lancaster to that of other counties with respect to the trial of issues from the Superior Courts at Westminster. 16th July.
46. An Act for Disafforesting the Forest of Woolmer, in Hampshire. 16th July.
47. An Act to Continue, until the 30th September, 1856, and till the end of the then next Session of Parliament, the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 43, an Act for Charging the Maintenance of certain poor Persons in Unions in England and Wales upon the Common Fund. 16th July.
48. An Act for the better Administration of Justice in the Cinque Ports. 16th July.
49. An Act to Indemnify such Persons in the United Kingdom as have Omitted to Qualify themselves for Offices and Employments, and to Extend to before the 25th March, 1856, or before the end of the then Session of Parliament, the Time limited for those purposes respectively. 16th July.
50. An Act to Amend the Provisions of the Court of Exchequer (Ireland) Act, 1850, the 13 and 14 Vic., c. 51. 16th July.
51. An Act to Continue the Exemption of Inhabitants from Liability to be Rated as such in respect of Stock in Trade or other Property to the Relief of the Poor. 16th July.
52. An Act to Continue until the 1st August, 1856, and till the end of the then next Session of Parliament, appointments under the 4 and 5 Vic., c. 35, the Act for Consolidating the Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, and for Completing Proceedings under the Tithes Commutation Acts. 16th July.
53. An Act to Relieve the East India Company from the obligation to maintain the College at Haileybury, which shall be discontinued and closed from and after the 31st June, 1858, no person being admitted a student after the 25th January, 1856. 16th July.
54. An Act to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill, as amended, of the Legislature of New South Wales, "to Confer a Constitution on New South Wales, and to grant a Civil List to her Majesty." 16th July.
55. An Act to enable her Majesty to assent to a Bill, as amended, of the Legislature of Victoria, to Establish a Constitution in and for the Colony of Victoria. 16th July.
56. An Act to Repeal the Acts of Parliament now in force respecting the Disposal of the Waste Lands of the Crown in her Majesty's Australian Colonies, and to make other Provision in lieu thereof. 16th July.
57. An Act further to Amend the Laws relating to the Militia in England. 16th July.
58. An Act to better enable the Chancellor and Council of the Duchy of Lancaster to sell and purchase land on behalf of her Majesty, her Heirs and Successors, in right of the said Duchy of Lancaster. 16th July.
59. An Act to Facilitate Inquiries of Commissioners of Endowed Schools in Ireland. 23rd July.
60. An Act for Excepting Gold Wedding Rings from the Operation of the Act of the last Session relating to the Standard of Gold and Silver Wares, and from the Exemptions contained in other Acts relating to Gold Wares. 23rd July. By this Act Gold Wedding Rings are to remain of the standard of Gold Plate unexcepted.
61. An Act to Authorise the Inclosure of certain Lands in pursuance of a Special Report of the Inclosure Commissioners for England and Wales. 23rd July. The following are the Inclosures to be made under this Statute:—Loddiswell, Devon; Skirwith, Kirkaudrews Common, Cumberland; Northweald Bassett, Nazeing, Roydon, Essex; Huntley Common, Gloucestershire; Marshapel and Graintorpe, Lincolnshire; Bamford, Derbyshire; Seaton, Rutlandshire; Volca Common Meadow, Herefordshire; Myarth Hill; the Henall Common, Llanganton, Breconshire; Berrow, Worcestershire; Sheel, Petersfield Heath, Hants; Bryn Postic Hill, Montgomeryshire; Caversham, Oxfordshire; Lea Common, Bottenden Hill, Bucks; Frisham, Berks; Consibrough Open Fields, Yorkshire; Strealey, Beds; Maulds Meaburn, Westmorland; Pithington Marsh, Sussex.
62. An Act to Amend the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 89, an Act amending the Law for the better Prevention of the Sale of Spirits by Unlicensed Persons and for the Suppression of Illicit Distillation in Ireland. 23rd July.
63. An Act to Consolidate and Amend the Law relating to Friendly Societies. 23rd July.
64. An Act to settle, from the 2nd July, 1855, Annuities of £1000 on Emily Harriet, Lady Raglan, and of £2,000 on Richard Henry Fitzroy, Lord Raglan, and the next surviving Heir Male of his Body, in consideration of the eminent services of the late Field Marshal Lord Raglan. 23rd July.
65. An Act to Amend the Dublin Carriage Acts, so as to include Cabs within their provisions. 23rd July.
66. An Act to Render Valid certain Marriages in Christ Church, in the Chapelry of Todmorden and Parish of Rochdale, in the Counties of Lancaster and York. 23rd July.
67. An Act to facilitate the remedies on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes by the prevention of frivolous or fictitious Defences to Actions thereon. 23rd July. By this Act, after the 24th October, 1855, Plaintiff in Actions on Bills and Notes commenced within six months after their becoming due, may, after writ of summons, and on filing affidavit of personal service of such writ, and after twelve days, sign final judgment for the amount

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- indorsed on the writ and for interest. The holder of the bill or note may issue one writ of summons against all or any of the parties to such bill or note.
68. An Act to Amend the Laws concerning the Burial of the Dead in Scotland. 23rd July.
 69. An Act to Discontinue the taking of Toll on the Turnpike Roads leading from the City of Dublin and on the Turnpike Road from Kinnegad to Athlone, and to Provide for the Maintenance of such Roads as public Roads, and for the Discharge of the Debts due thereon, and other purposes. 26th July.
 70. An Act for further Promoting the Establishment of Free Public Libraries and Museums in Municipal Towns, and for Extending it to Towns governed under Local Improvement Acts, and to Parishes. 30th July.
 71. An Act to Authorise Commissioners of the Treasury to make arrangements concerning certain Loans advanced by way of Relief to the Islands of Antigua, Nevis, and Montserrat. 30th July.
 72. An Act for Legalising and Preserving the restored Standards of Weights and Measures. 30th July.
 73. An Act to Extend for one Year more the Period for Applying for a Sale under the Acts for Facilitating the Sale and Transfer of Encumbered Estates in Ireland. 30th July.
 74. An Act to Enable Grand Juries of Counties in Ireland to Present for Payment of Expenses in certain Cases. 30th July.
 75. An Act to Continue till the 1st of August, 1856, and to the end of the then next Session of Parliament, certain Temporary Provisions concerning Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction in England. 30th July.
 76. An Act to Continue till the 1st of August, 1860, and till the end of the then next Session of Parliament, the 5 and 6 Vic., c. 123, an Act for Amending the Law Relative to Private Lunatic Asylums in Ireland. 30th July.
 77. An Act to give Effect to a Convention between her Majesty and the United States of America, relative to claims of Subjects of either Country since 1814. 30th July.
 78. An Act to Reduce to 1d. per Mile, and to 1s. for each Supplementary License, the Duties payable on Stage-Carriages, and to Amend the Laws Relating to Stamp Duties, and to Bonds and Securities to the Inland Revenue. 30th July. By this Act orders for the payment of Prize-money are to be chargeable with the same duties as Inland Bills of Exchange.
 79. An Act to Amend the Law Regarding the Burial of Poor Persons by Guardians and Overseers of the Poor. 30th July.
 80. An Act to Ratify Conditional Agreements Entered into by Commissioners of her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings; and to Vest in the said Commissioners certain Property situate near the College of Edinburgh in the City of Edinburgh, together with the General Register House in the said City, and all lands held therewith; and to Enable the said Commissioners to Acquire certain Property near the Palace of Holyrood. 30th July.
 81. An Act to Amend the Law concerning the Certifying and Registering of Places of Religious Worship in England. 30th July.
 82. An Act to Abolish certain Payments Charged on the Consolidated Fund in Favour of the Provost and Fellows of Trinity College, Dublin, and of certain Professors in the said College; and to Repeal the Stamp Duties payable on Matriculations and Degrees in the University of Dublin. 30th July.
 83. An Act to Continue till the 5th of June, 1856, certain Acts for Regulating Turnpike Roads in Ireland. 14th August.
 84. An Act to Provide for the Performance, by Deputy, of certain Duties of the Speaker during his temporary absence from the House of Commons. 14th August.
 85. An Act for Carrying into Effect the Engagements between her Majesty and certain Chiefs of the Sherbro Country, near Sierra Leone, in Africa, for the more effectual Suppression of the Slave Trade. 14th August.
 86. An Act for Securing the Liberty of Religious Worship. 14th August. By this Act no prosecution is to be maintainable for assembling for religious worship in a place of meeting not certified, when such assembling be conducted by the Incumbent or Curate, or be in a private dwelling-house, or be occasionally in a building not appropriated for religious worship.
 87. An Act to Amend the Act for the better Care and Reformation of Youthful Offenders, and the Act to render Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Scotland more available for the Benefit of Vagrant Children. 14th August.
 88. An Act to Facilitate the Erection of Dwelling-houses for the Working Classes in Scotland. 14th August.
 89. An Act to Amend the Provisions of the Huddersfield Burial Ground Act, 1852, the 15 and 16 Vic., c. 41. 14th August.
 90. An Act for the Payment of costs in Proceedings instituted on behalf of the Crown in Matters relating to the Revenue, and for the Amendment of the Procedure and Practice in Crown Suits in the Court of Exchequer. 14th August.
 91. An Act to Facilitate the Erection and Maintenance of Colonial Lighthouses, and otherwise to Amend the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854. 14th August.
 92. An Act for Appropriating the Corps of the Prebend or Portion of Netherhall Ledbury, in the Diocese and County of Hereford, and for Constituting the Living of Ledbury a Rectory with Cure of Souls, and for Augmenting the Endowments thereof. 14th August.
 93. An Act to Amend certain Acts relating to the Court of Judicature of Prince of Wales Island, Singapore, and Malacca, and to the Supreme Courts of Judicature in India. 14th August.
 94. An Act to Impose increased Rates of Duty of Excise on Spirits Distilled in the United Kingdom; to allow Malt, Sugar, and Molasses to be used Duty-free in the Distilling of Spirits, in lieu of Allowances and Drawbacks on such Spirits, Sugar, and Molasses respectively; and to Amend the Laws relating to the Duties of Excise. 14th August.
 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. 14th August.
 96. An Act to Consolidate certain Acts, and otherwise Amend the Laws of the Customs, and an Act to Regulate the Office of the Receipt of her Majesty's Exchequer at Westminster. 14th August.
 97. An Act for the Amendment and Consolidation of the Customs Tariff Acts. 14th August.
 98. An Act to Continue till the 1st Nov., 1856, certain Turnpike Acts in Great Britain. 14th August.
 99. An Act to Enable her Majesty to carry into effect a Convention made between her Majesty, the Emperor of the French, and the Sultan, relative to a Loan of Five Millions sterling to be raised by the Sultan. 14th August.
 100. An Act to Amend the Law concerning the Qualification of Officers of the Militia. 14th August. By this Act the Qualification is to be for a Colonel, £600; for a Lieutenant-Colonel, £400; for a Major, £300; for a Captain, £200; yearly value. There are exemptions from these Qualifications, as to Majors and Captains being the sons of persons so qualified, as to Captains and Majors and others of higher rank in the Army, and as to the Militia of the Cities of London and Edinburgh.
 101. An Act for the more effectual Execution of the Convention between her Majesty and the French Government concerning the Fisheries in the Seas between the British Islands and France. 14th August.
 102. An Act to Confirm certain Provisional Orders made under the 14 and 15 Vic., c. 38, an Act to facilitate Arrangements for the Relief of Turnpike Trusts. 14th August.
 103. An Act to Amend the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 89, an Act relating to the Sale of Spirits by Unlicensed Persons and Illicit Distillation in Ireland; and also to Repeal so much of the 3 and 4 William IV., c. 68, an Act requiring Persons applying for Licenses for the Sale of Beer, Cider, or Spirits by Retail in Ireland to enter into a Bond with Sureties. 14th August.
 104. An Act for the Regulation of Chinese Passenger Ships. 14th August.
 105. An Act to Amend the Lunatic Asylums Act, 1853, and the Acts passed in the ninth and seventeenth Years of her Majesty, for the Regulation of the Care and Treatment of Lunatics. 14th August.
 106. An Act to Suspend till the 1st of October, 1856, the Making of Lists and the Ballots for the Militia of the United Kingdom. 14th August.
 107. An Act to Authorise the Commissioners of the Treasury to make Arrangements concerning a certain Loan advanced by way of Relief to the Island of Tobago. 14th August.
 108. An Act to Amend the Law for the Inspection of Coal Mines in Great Britain. 14th August.
 109. An Act to Make Further Provisions for the Repayment of Advances out of the Consolidated Fund for the Erection and Enlargement of Asylums for the Lunatic Poor in Ireland, and to Amend the Laws with Reference to the Repayments in case of Change of Districts, and the Appointment of Commissioners of General Control and Correspondence. 14th August.
 110. An Act to Authorise the Application of certain Sums granted by Parliament for Drainage and other Works of Public Utility in Ireland, towards the Completion of certain Navigations undertaken in connection with Drainages, and to Amend the Acts for Promoting the Drainage of Lands and Improvements in connection therewith in Ireland. 14th August.
 111. An Act to Amend the Law relating to Bills of Lading. 14th August.
 112. An Act to Continue, till the 1st of July, 1856, the 11 and 12 Vic., c. 2, an Act for the better Prevention of Crime and Outrage in certain Parts of Ireland. 14th August.
 113. An Act to Extend the Provisions of the 14 and 15 Vic., c. 66, an Act for Rebuilding the Bridge over the River Ness, at Inverness. 14th August.
 114. An Act for the Transfer of Licenses of Public Houses in Ireland. 14th Aug.
 115. An Act to Continue the Board of Health for One Year after the Passing of this Act, and thenceforth until the end of the then next Session of Parliament, and to Amend the Public Health Act, 1854. 14th August.
 116. An Act for the Better Prevention of Diseases. 14th August.
 117. An Act for Transferring to her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department the Powers and Estates Vested in the Principal Officers of the Ordnance. 14th August.
 118. An Act to Repeal the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 79, an Act for Further Regulating the Sale of Beer and other Liquors on the Lord's-day, and to substitute other Provisions in lieu thereof. 14th August. By this new Act, c. 118, no licensed victualler or beerseller in England and Wales shall open or keep open his house for the sale of beer, wine, and spirits, or any other fermented or distilled liquor, between the hours of three and five in the afternoon, or after eleven in the afternoon, on Sunday, or on Christmas-day, or Good Friday, or any day appointed for a public fast or thanksgiving; or before four in the morning of the day following such Sunday, Christmas-day, Good Friday, or fast or thanksgiving day, except to a traveller or lodger in the house. Every house or place of public resort for the sale of fermented or distilled liquors in England and Wales is subjected to the same restrictions. Persons offending against the Act are liable to a penalty on summary conviction not exceeding £5 for every offence; and every separate sale shall be deemed a separate offence.
 119. An Act to Amend the Law relating to Carriage of Passengers by Sea. 14th August.
 120. An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis. 14th August. This Act, by the division of all the parishes into wards, and by sundry other regulations, effects a complete change in the local government and taxation of the metropolis.
 121. An Act to Consolidate and Amend the Nuisances Removal and Diseases Prevention Acts, 1848 and 1849. 14th August.
 122. An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to the Construction of Buildings in the Metropolis and its Neighbourhood. 14th August.
 123. An Act to Defray the Charge of the Pay, Clothing, and Contingent and other Expenses of the Disembodied Militia in Great Britain and Ireland, to Grant Allowances in certain Cases to Subaltern Officers, Adjutants, Paymasters, Quartermasters, Surgeons, Assistant-Surgeons, Surgeon's-Mates, and Sergeant-Majors, of the Militia, and to Authorise the Employment of the Non-Commissioned Officers. 14th August.
 124. An Act to Amend the Charitable Trusts Act, 1853. 14th August.
 125. An Act to Confirm Provisional Orders of the General Board of Health, Applying the Public Health Act, 1848, to the Districts of Middlesbrough, Windhill, Christchurch, Keighley, Tunstall, and Toxteth Park, and for Alteration of the Boundaries of the District of Runcorn. 14th August.
 126. An Act for Diminishing Expense and Delay in the Administration of Criminal Justice in certain Cases. 14th August. By this Act persons committing simple larceny of articles, not exceeding five shillings in value, may, if they assent, be summarily tried before the justices without being committed for trial to the assizes or sessions: persons pleading guilty on charges of larceny, and certain other offences, may be sentenced by the justices.
 127. An Act to make Better Provision for the Union of Contiguous Benefices, and to Facilitate the Building and Endowing of New Churches in Spiritually Destitute Districts. 14th August.
 128. An Act further to Amend the Laws Concerning the Burial of the Dead in England. 14th August.
 129. An Act to Supply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund and the Surplus Ways and Means to the Service of 1855, and to appropriate the Sums Granted in this Session of Parliament. 14th August.
 130. An Act for Raising the Sum of £7,000,000 by Exchequer Bills and Exchequer Bonds for the Service of 1855. 14th August.
 131. An Act to Render more Secure the Conditions upon which Money is Advanced out of the Parliamentary Grant for the Purposes of Education. 14th August.
 132. An Act for Facilitating the Erection of Dwelling-houses for the Labouring Classes. 14th August.
 133. An Act for Limiting the Liability of Members of certain Joint-Stock Companies. 14th August.

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134. An Act to make further Provision for the more Speedy and Efficient Dispatch of Business in the Court of Chancery, and to Vest in the Lord Chancellor the Ground and Buildings of the said Court situate in South-ampton-buildings, Chancery-lane, with Powers of Leasing and Sale thereof. 14th August.

There are 198 Local and Personal Acts, seventy-four of which relate to railways. Among the twenty-three private acts is an act, c. 17 (not printed), to relieve Sir James Carnegie, of Southesk, Kinnaird, and Pittarow, Bart., from the effect of the attainder of James, 5th Earl of Southesk, and Baron Carnegie of Kinnaird and Lenchairs in Scotland. There are also six Divorce Acts (not printed), to dissolve the marriages, respectively—c. 18, of Henry Newsham Pedder and Emma, his wife; c. 19, of William Ewing, the younger, and Helen Mary, his wife; c. 26, of Arthur Wyndham, Esq., and Ann Magdalene Louisa, his wife; c. 21, of James Remington Hadow, and Jane Menzies, his wife; c. 22, of Edward Jones, and Elizabeth, his wife; and c. 23, of Morton Cornish Sumner, Esq., and Penelope Rubina, his wife.

SUMMARY OF

PERSONS OF NOTE OR TITLE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS.

*** Detailed Biographical Notices of all these Persons are to be found in the ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS.

- 1854.—SEPTEMBER 1. MANSEL, Capt. George, R.N.; born 19th July, 1794.
 Sept. 30. BANKS, Thomas Christopher, a *not-disant* Baronet; author of "The Extinct and Dormant Peerage;" aged 89.
 In Sept. WYNN, Capt. Arthur Watkin Williams, 23rd Regt.
 OCTOBER 1. HOPETOUN, Louisa, Countess Dowager of, daughter of the late Lord Macdonald, and widow of John, fifth Earl of Hopetoun; born 16th Sept., 1802.
 Oct. 3. BOYLE, Lieut.-Col. the Hon. Robert Edward, of the Coldstream Guards, M.P., third son of the Earl of Cork; born in 1809.
 Oct. 10. DRUMMOND, Gen. Sir Gordon, G.C.B., Colonel of the 8th, King's Regt.; aged 82.
 Oct. 11. DENT, William, Esq., of Sudeley Castle, co. of Gloucester; aged 71.
 Oct. 11. HOTHAM, the Hon. and Rev. Frederick, Canon of Rochester and Rector of Dennington; aged 80.
 Oct. 12. CHADWICK, Hugo Malveysin, Esq., of New Hall, co. of Warwick, and Malveysin Rdware, co. of Stafford; aged 61.
 Oct. 12. SNEYD, Rear-Admiral Clement, of Huntly Hall, Staffordshire; aged 80.
 Oct. 16. ABINGDON, Montagu, fifth Ear lof; born 30th April, 1784.
 Oct. 18. PATESHALL, Rear-Admiral Nicholas Lechmere; born 13th Sept., 1781.
 Oct. 19. DUNALLEY, Henry Pritia, second Baron; born 3rd March, 1775.
 Oct. 19. HULSE, Sir Charles, Bart., of Breamore House, Hants; aged 83.
 Oct. 19. ARTHUR, Major-Gen. Sir George, Bart., K.C.H., D.C.L.; born 21st June, 1784.
 Oct. 21. MARTIN, Admiral Sir Thomas Byam, G.C.B., Admiral of the Fleet; aged 82.
 Oct. 21. SYNGE, Col. Charles, of Mount Callan, co. of Clare; born 17th April, 1789.
 Oct. 22. DENMAN, Thomas, Lord; the late able, eloquent, and respected Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench; born 23rd Feb., 1779.
 Oct. 22. STAMFORD and WARRINGTON, Countess of, first wife of the present Earl of Stamford and Warrington.
 Oct. 23. EWART, Lieut.-Gen., C.B., of Beechgrove, Berks; born 25th July, 1756.
 Oct. 24. GRATAN, the Right Hon. James, eldest son of the statesman and orator Henry Gratton; born in 1783.
 Oct. 25. LEITH, Rear-Admiral John.
 Oct. 25. STUART, Henry, Esq., M.P. for Bedford; born in 1804.
 Oct. 29. GEACH, Charles, Esq., M.P. for Coventry.
 In Oct. FITZCLARENCE, Lord Frederick, G.C.H., Commander-in-Chief at Bombay; born 9th Dec., 1799.
 In Oct. BARTLETT, W. H., author of "The Nile Boat," and other works.
 In Oct. WILSON, Mathew, Esq., of Eshton Hall, Yorkshire, a magistrate and Deputy Lieutenant for the West Riding and Lancashire; aged 82.
 In Oct. MARTIN, Capt. George Bohun Martin, R.N., C.B.
 NOVEMBER 1. STRUTT, Jedediah, Esq., of Balper, co. of Derby; aged 69.
 Nov. 1. BOYNE, Harriet, Viscountess, only daughter of Benjamin Baugh, Esq., and wife of Gustavus, late Viscount Boyne.
 Nov. 2. KENMARE, Countess of, daughter and coheir of the late Edmund O'Callaghan, Esq., of Kilgorey, co. of Clare, and wife of the present Earl of Kenmare.
 Nov. 3. STRATHMORE and KINGHORN, Countess of, eldest daughter of Viscount Barrington, and wife of the present Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorn; aged 27.
 Nov. 9. FAGAN, Dr. Stephen, of Woodhill, Cork; born 1st March, 1800.
 Nov. 10. WILSH, Lieut.-Gen. Richard, H.E.L.C.S.; aged 69.
 Nov. 11. HUNTER, Gen., C.B.; aged 68.
 Nov. 12. SPRY, the Rev. James Hume, D.D., Rector of Marylebone, and Pro-bi-dary of Canterbury.
 Nov. 13. DE ST. AULAIRE, Count, a distinguished French diplomatist; aged 70.
 Nov. 13. KEMBLE, Charles, the great actor.
 Nov. 14. CHALON, John James, R.A.
 Nov. 16. PESEY, Lady Emily, second daughter of the second Earl of Carnarvon, and wife of Philip Pusey, Esq.; born 25th Oct., 1798.
 Nov. 17. STUART, Lord Dndley Counts, the strenuous and gallant advocate of the cause of Poland; born 4th Jan., 1803.
 Nov. 18. FORBES, Professor Edward; aged 48.
 Nov. 18. AFFLECK, Sir Gilbert, fifth Baronet, of Dalham Hall; born 9th June, 1804.
 Nov. 18. EGERTON, Lieut.-Gen. Richard, C.B., Colonel of the 46th Regt.; aged 71.
 Nov. 19. STEWART, Sir Hugh, Bart.; born 14th May, 1792.
 Nov. 20. LORTON, Robert Edward Viscount; aged 81.
 Nov. 21. BROOKE, Sir Arthur Brinsley, Bart., of Cole Brooke, co. of Fermanagh; born in 1797.
 Nov. 22. CUMMING, Sir William Gordon Gordon, Bart., of Altyre and Gordons, town; born 20th July, 1787.
 Nov. 22. HICKS-BEACH, Sir Michael H., Bart.; born 25th Oct. 1809.
 Nov. 25. LOCKHART, John Gibson, Esq., the celebrated critic and writer.
 Nov. 26. MACKAY, Barthold, Baron; aged 81.
 Nov. 28. RAIKES, the Rev. Henry, M.A., Chancellor of Chester; aged 72.

- Nov. 29. GODDARD, Ambrose, Esq., of the Lawn, Swindon; aged 75.
 Nov. 29. GRANT, Sir Alexander Cray, Bart., of Dalvery, one of H.M. Audit Commissioners; aged 73.
 DECEMBER 2. WHITE, the Rev. Richard Walton, M.A., F.S.A.; aged 71.
 Dec. 4. PRENDERGAST, Major-Gen. Charles O'Neill.
 Dec. 7. BAIRD, Douglas, Esq., of Closeburn, co. of Dumfries.
 Dec. 13. RUTHERFORD, Lord; born in 1791. A Senator of the College of Justice.
 Dec. 13. WINDUS, Thomas, F.S.A.
 Dec. 16. MARTIN, Sir Roger, Bart.; aged 77.
 Dec. 20. KEMPT, General the Right Hon. Sir James, G.C.B., Colonel of the 1st Regt. of Foot.
 Dec. 21. DU PLAT, Brigadier-Gen. George Augustus, K.H.
 Dec. 22. ROUTH, the Rev. Dr. Martin Joseph, President of Magdalen College, Oxford; in his hundredth year.
 Dec. 22. CAMDEN, Harriet, Marchioness, eldest daughter of the Right Rev. George Murray, Bishop of Rochester, and wife of George Charles, present Mar-quis Camden, K.G.; born Feb. 8th, 1813.
 Dec. 22. WINDHAM, William Howe, Esq., of Felbrigg Hall, Norfolk; born 30th March, 1802.
 Dec. 23. VIDAL, the Right Rev. Owen Emerie, D.D., Bishop of Sierra Leone; born in 1819.
 Dec. 24. SHUTE, Thomas Deane, Esq.; aged 62.
 Dec. 27. ARNOLD, Lieut.-Gen. James Robertson, K.H., K.C.
 Dec. 27. STRACEY, Sir George, Bart.; aged 84.
 In Dec. FAUCHER, Leon, Journalist.
 1855.—JANUARY 1. HAMILTON, Mrs., only daughter of the late Major Lee, of Bolney Court, Oxfordshire, and wife of his Excellency Henry Hamilton, fourth son of the Hon. Henry Hamilton.
 Jan. 2. LEITRIM, Nathaniel, second Earl of, K.P.; aged 86.
 Jan. 10. ROBERTSON, the Hon. Patrick Robertson, Lord; born in 1794.
 Jan. 10. O'CONNOR, Rear-Admiral Sir Richard, K.C.H.
 Jan. 11. WARNEFORD, the Rev. S. W., LL.D.; born 1768.
 Jan. 11. FENWICK, John Ralph, Esq., M.D.; aged 93.
 Jan. 12. SARDINIA, Theresa Maria, Queen Dowager of, second daughter of the late Ferdinand, third Grand Duke of Tuscany, and widow of Charles Albert, King of Sardinia; born 21st March, 1801.
 Jan. 14. DENNIS, Major-Gen. Sir James, K.C.B.; aged 78.
 Jan. 14. WOMBWELL, Sir George, Bart.; born 13th April, 1792.
 Jan. 14. D'O'LY, Thomas, Serjant at Law; born 16th November, 1772.
 Jan. 15. FARRELL, Charles, Esq., M.D., of Dalston, co. of Galway.
 Jan. 16. GORE-BOOTH, Susan Caroline, Lady, second daughter of Thomas Gold, Esq., and second wife of Sir Robert Gore-Booth, Bart.
 Jan. 17. BARNARD, General Sir Andrew Francis, G.C.B., G.C.H.; born 1773.
 Jan. 18. ROXBURGH, Harriet, Duchess Dowager of, Benjamin Charlewood, Esq., and second wife of the late Duke of Roxburgh; aged 77.
 Jan. 19. BOYD, Sir John, Bart.; born 5th June, 1780.
 Jan. 20. SARDINIA, Adelaide Maria, Queen of, eldest daughter of the Austrian Archduke, Renier Joseph, and Consort of his present Sardinian Majesty, Victor Emmanuel II.; born 3rd June, 1822.
 Jan. 20. HILL, Rear-Admiral Sir John; aged 81.
 Jan. 22. LEWIS, the Right Hon. Sir Thomas Frankland, Bart.; born 1780.
 Jan. 22. BASSETT, Frances, Baroness, only daughter and heiress of Francis, late Lord De Dunstanville; aged 73.
 Jan. 22. UPTON, General the Hon. Arthur Percy, C.B.; aged 77.
 Jan. 24. PHILLIMORE, Joseph, Esq., D.C.L., and F.R.S., Regius Professor of Civil Law in the University of Oxford.
 Jan. 24. COTHER, Lieut.-Col., C.B.
 Jan. 25. WINSTANLEY, Clement, Esq., of Braunton, co. of Leicester; aged 87.
 Jan. 26. CULLUM, the Rev. Sir Thomas Gery, Bart.; born 23rd October, 1777.
 Jan. 27. HAMERTON, General John Millet, G.B., Colonel of the 55th Regiment.
 Jan. 28. ROBINSON, Sir George Best, Bart.; born 14th November, 1797.
 Jan. 30. FITZGERALD, Mrs. Mary Frances; aged 75.
 Jan. 31. ST. VINCENT, Ann Mary, Viscountess, second daughter of Thomas Parker, Esq., and second wife of the present Viscount St. Vincent.
 In Jan. PALMER, Brigadier-Gen. Thomas, Colonel of the 72nd Regiment; aged 67.
 Jan. 31. LOVEDEN, Pryse, Esq., M.P.; born 1st June, 1815.
 FEBRUARY 1. MACKENZIE, Sir John William Pitt Muir, Bart., of Delvine, Perthshire; born 1806.
 Feb. 3. CAPEL, Lieut.-Gen. the Hon. Thomas Edward; aged 85.
 Feb. 3. ROLLO, Agnes, Dowager Lady, daughter of William Greig, Esq., and wife of John, eighth Lord Rollo.
 Feb. 4. CLARKE, Lieut. Henry, R.N.; aged 38.
 Feb. 6. O'BRIEN, John, Esq., of Envalde, co. of Clare.
 Feb. 7. STUART, General the Hon. Sir Patrick, G.C.M.G., Colonel of the 44th Regiment; aged 77.
 Feb. 9. EUSTACE, General Sir William Cornwallis, C.B., K.C.H., Colonel of 60th Royal Rifles; aged 71.
 Feb. 10. GENOA, Ferdinand Maria Albert, Duke of; born 15th November, 1822.
 Feb. 10. VIVIAN, John Henry, Esq., M.P.; aged 71.
 Feb. 12. O'NEIL, John Bruce Richard, Viscount O'Neill, of Shane's Castle, co. of Antrim; born 20th December, 1780.
 Feb. 13. DENNISTOWN, James, Esq., of Dennistown; born 1803.
 Feb. 14. LOWTHER, Capt. Arthur; aged 34.
 Feb. JACKSON, Stephen, Esq., Editor of the Ipswich Journal; aged 47.
 Feb. 16. STRODE, Capt. J. Chetham, of the 14th Regiment; aged 24.
 Feb. 17. COLBORNE, Lady, eldest daughter of the late Right Hon. Thomas Steele, and wife of Nicholas, first Lord Colborne.
 Feb. 20. HUME, Joseph, Esq., M.P., the great politician and economist; born 1777.
 Feb. 21. WEIR, John Sims, Esq.; aged 42.
 Feb. 21. PONSOMBY, John, Viscount, G.C.B.; aged 84.
 Feb. 21. DOD, Charles Richard, Esq., a gentleman distinguished in journalism and literature.
 Feb. 24. BROKE, Sir Philip, Bart.; born 15th June, 1804.
 Feb. 24. MORRIS, Sir John, Bart.; born 14th July, 1775.
 Feb. 25. KENYON, George Lord, LL.D., F.S.A.; born 22nd July, 1776.
 Feb. 25. BROFELD, the Rev. Thomas Calthrop, M.A., J.P.; aged 77.
 In Feb. Low, the Right Rev. David, D.D., Bishop of Ross, Moray, and Argyll; aged 87.
 In Feb. VIDAL, the Right Rev. Owen Emerie, D.D., Bishop of Sierra Leone; born in 1819.
 In Feb. PLUNKETT, Richard, Esq.; aged 107.
 In Feb. SOMERSET, the Rev. Villiers Pantagenet Henry; born 1803.
 In Feb. CAMPBELL, Walter Fre'rick, Esq., of Islay.
 MARCH 1. DECIES, John, second Baron, in holy orders; born 20th Jan. 1777.