

THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON ALMANACK FOR 1861.

ACTS OF PARLIAMENT PASSED IN 1860,
IN THE 23RD AND 24TH YEARS OF THE REIGN OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

* The date at the end of each paragraph denotes the exact day of the month on which the act was passed.

1. An act to render valid certain marriages in the chapel of St. Mary, in Rydal, in the county of Westmorland. March 12.
2. An act to apply the sum of £407,649 out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending March 31, 1860. March 12.
3. An act to apply the sum of £5,000,000 out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year 1860. March 23.
4. An act to enable the Commissioners of her Majesty's Treasury to defray one moiety of the expense of the annual revision of the valuation of rateable property in Ireland out of the Consolidated Fund. March 23.
5. An act to regulate probate and administration with respect to certain Indian Government securities; to repeal certain stamp duties; and to extend the operation of the act of the 22 and 23 Vic., c. 35, to Indian Bonds. March 23.
6. An act to transfer to the Postmaster-General securities entered into with the Commissioners of the Admiralty in relation to the packet service. March 23.
7. An act to amend the medical acts. March 23.
8. An act to amend the law relating to the unlawful administering of poison. March 23, 1860. By this act any person administering poison or any noxious thing with intent to endanger life, or inflict grievous bodily harm, shall be guilty of felony, punishable by penal servitude of from ten to three years, or to imprisonment for not more than three years, with or without hard labour. And any person administering any poison or noxious thing with intent to injure, aggrieve, or annoy, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour punishable by imprisonment not exceeding three years, with or without hard labour.
9. An act (the usual annual one) for punishing mutiny and desertion, and for the better payment of the army and their quarters. March 31.
10. An act (the usual annual one) for the regulation of her Majesty's Royal Marine force while on shore. March 31.
11. An act to amend the law relating to endowed schools, which gives power to the trustees to admit to them children of various sects and denominations. March 31.
12. An act to apply £850,000 out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending March 31, 1860. March 31.
13. An act to prevent the members of benefit societies from forfeiting their interest therein by being enrolled in yeomanry or volunteer corps. March 31.
14. An act for granting to her Majesty duties increased to 10d. and 5d. in England, 3d. in Scotland and Ireland, on profits arising from property, professions, trades, and offices. April 3.
15. An act for granting to her Majesty certain duties of stamps. April 3. This act makes alterations and additions as to stamps, with regard to agreements for leases, agreements of the value of £5 or upwards, bills of exchange, certificates of births, baptisms, marriages, deaths, or burials; cash, bank, and mine notes; declarations, delivery orders, dock warrants, and letters of attorney.
16. An act to make further provision concerning mortgages and other dispositions of property belonging to municipal corporations in England and Ireland. May 15.
17. An act to authorise the inclosure of certain lands in pursuance of a report of the Inclosure Commissioners for England and Wales. May 15.
18. An act to amend the acts relating to marriages in England and Ireland by extending certain provisions in them to Quakers. May 15.
19. An act to extend the 10 and 11 Vic., c. 32, an act to facilitate the improvement of landed property in Ireland, and the acts amending the same, to the erecting of dwellings for the labouring classes in Ireland. May 15.
20. An act for raising £13,230,000 by Exchequer Bills for the service of the year. May 15.
21. An act to amend the act for better regulating the business of pawnbrokers, by which pawnbrokers may charge a halfpenny for notes describing things pawned under ten shillings. May 15.
22. An act to amend the laws relating to the customs. May 15.
23. An act to provide for the consideration of an ordinance which has been laid before Parliament in a report of the Oxford University Commissioners. May 25.
24. An act to remove doubt as to the validity of certain marriages in extra-parochial places. May 25.
25. An act to apply £9,500,000 out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year 1860. May 25.
26. An act to remove doubts as to the application of the common lodging-houses acts to Ireland, and to amend the provisions of the same so far as they relate to Ireland. May 25.
27. An act for granting certain duties on wine licenses and refreshment-houses, and for the licensing of shops to retail wine, and of refreshment-houses, and allowing refreshment-houses and confectioners to sell wine by retail or to be drunk on the premises. June 14.
28. An act to repeal the 7 Geo. 2, c. 8, commonly called "Sir John Barnard's Act," to prevent the practice of stockjobbing, and to repeal the 10 Geo. 2, c. 8, which made Sir John Barnard's Act perpetual. June 14.
29. An act to amend the 7 and 8 Geo. 4, c. 39, and to extend its provisions and penalties to persons damaging steam-engines in mines. June 14.
30. An act to enable a majority of two-thirds of the ratepayers of any parish or district, duly assembled, to rate their district in aid of public improvements for general benefits within their district. July 3.
31. An act to repeal the 21 and 22 Geo. 3, c. 16 (Ireland), for restraining the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland from lending money on mortgage. July 3.
32. An act to abolish the jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Courts in Ireland in cases of defamation, and in England and Ireland in certain cases of brawling. July 3.
33. An act to amend certain provisions in the bankrupt law of Scotland. July 3.
34. An act to amend the law relating to petitions of right, to simplify the proceedings, and to make provisions for the costs thereof. July 3.
35. An act further to amend the 13 and 19 Vic., c. 62, an act to amend the law for the better prevention of the sale of spirits by unlicensed persons, and for the suppression of illicit distillation in Ireland. July 23.
36. An act to authorise the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of duties of customs. July 23.
37. An act to levy an assessment in the county of Inverness to discharge a debt on Castle Stewart and Nairn road, in the said county. July 23.
38. An act to further amend the law of property, with regard to judgments and the registration of them. July 23.
39. An act for the construction of a new harbour, and the improvement of the existing harbour, at Anstruther Easter, in the county of Fifo. July 23.
40. An act to indemnify such persons in the United Kingdom as have omitted to qualify themselves for offices and employments, and to extend the time limited for these purposes respectively. July 23.
41. An act to make perpetual the 21 and 22 Vic., c. 75, an act to amend the law relating to cheap trains, and to restrain the exercise of certain powers by canal companies being also railway companies. July 23.
42. An act to vest the management of the Phoenix Park in the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland. July 23.
43. An act for confirming a scheme of Charity Commissioners for the administration of Archbishop Tenison's Charity, in the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, in the city of Westminster. July 23.
44. An act to confirm certain provisional orders under the Local Government Act (1858) relating to the districts of Southampton, Leicester, Epsom, Coventry, Ipswich, Fareham, Wells, Tormoham, Scarborough, Ludlow, Banbury, Boston, Penrith, Barnsley, and Shipley; and for other purposes in relation thereto. July 23.
45. An act to extend the 8 and 9 Vic., c. 26, an act for presenting fishing for trout or other fresh-water fish by nets in the rivers and waters in Scotland. July 23.
46. An act to amend and enlarge the powers and provisions of the several acts relating to the Caledonian and Orman Canals. July 23.
47. An act to amend the law relative to the legal qualification of councillors and the admission of burgesses in Royal burghs in Scotland. July 23.
48. An act to provide for the settlement and discharge of the debt due to the Commissioners of the Treasury from the harbour and docks of Leith. July 23.
49. An act for extinguishing certain rights of way through Coleworth Barracks, in the borough of Portsmouth. July 23.
50. An act to abolish the annuity tax in Edinburgh and Montrose, and to make provision in regard to the stipends of the ministers in that city and burgh, and also to make provision for the patronage of the church of North Leith. July 23.
51. An act to provide for an annual return of rates, taxes, tolls, and dues levied for local purposes in England. July 23.
52. An act to alter and amend the Metropolitan Building Act (1855). July 23.
53. An act for the limitation of actions and suits by the Duke of Cornwall in relation to real property, and for authorising certain leases of possessions of the Duchy of Cornwall. July 23.
54. An act to amend an act for abolishing certain offices on the Crown side of the Court of Queen's Bench, and for regulations of the Crown Office. August 6.
55. An act to authorise the inclosure of certain lands in pursuance of a special report of the Inclosure Commissioners. August 6.
56. An act to make further provisions for improvements in the harbours of the Isle of Man. August 6.
57. An act to authorise an extension of the time for repayment of a loan made by the West India Relief Commissioners to the Island of Dominica. August 6.
58. An act to amend the 18 and 19 Vic., c. 63, an act relative to friendly societies. August 6.
59. An act to extend the provisions of the Universities and College Estate Act (1858); the copyhold acts; of the 3 and 4 Vic., c. 113, and of the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 84, so far as the same refers to universities and colleges. August 6.
60. An act to amend the 5 and 6 Vic., c. 22, an act for regulating the Queen's Prison. August 6.
61. An act for taking the Census of England. August 6.
62. An act for taking the Census of Ireland. August 6.
63. An act to amend the 21 and 22 Vic., c. 49, an act to provide for the relief of her Majesty's subjects professing the Jewish religion. August 6.
64. An act to make further provision for the expenses of local boards of health and improvement commissioners acting as burial boards. August 6.
65. An act to authorise the Commissioners of the Treasury to further regulate the postage on redirected letters of commissioners and warant officers, seamen and soldiers, whilst on actual service. August 6.
66. An act to amend the Medical Act (1858). August 6.
67. An act to continue an act for authorising the application of highway rate to turnpike roads. August 6.
68. An act for the better management and control of the highways in South Wales. August 6.
69. An act to enable the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England to apply certain funds towards the repairs of the Cathedral or Collegiate Church of Manchester. August 6.
70. An act to confirm certain provisional orders made under the 14 and 15 Vic., c. 39, an act to facilitate arrangements for the relief of turnpike trusts. August 6.
71. An act to make provision as to stocks and dividends unclaimed in Ireland. August 6.
72. An act to promote and facilitate the endowment and augmentation of small benefices in Ireland. August 6.
73. An act to continue certain turnpike acts in Great Britain, and to extend the provisions of the 14 and 15 Vic., c. 38, August 6.
74. An act to amend the provisions of the 3 and 4 Vic., c. 108, an act for the regulation of municipal corporations in Ireland, with respect to the appointment of coroners in boroughs. August 6.
75. An act to make better provisions for the custody and care of criminal lunatics. August 6.
76. An act to amend the 19 and 20 Vic., c. 98, the burial grounds (Ireland) act (1856). August 6.
77. An act to amend the 18 and 19 Vic., c. 121 and 116, the acts for the removal of nuisances and the prevention of diseases. August 6.
78. An act to place the employment of women, young persons, and children in bleaching works and dyeing works under the regulations of the factories acts. August 6.
79. An act to provide additional accommodation for the Sheriff Courts in Scotland. August 6.
80. An act to regulate the levying and collection of the inventory duty payable upon heritable securities and other property in Scotland. August 6.

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81. An act to continue until the 1st of August, 1861, and the end of the then next Session of Parliament, appointments under the 14 and 15 Vic. c. 53, an act for consolidating the copyhold and inclosure commissions, and for completing proceedings under the title commutation acts, August 6.

82. An act to amend the provisions of the 16 and 17 Vic., c. 113, the common law procedure (Ireland) act amendment (1853) August 6.

83. An act to explain the 18 and 19 Vic., c. 43, an act enabling infants, with the approbation of the Court of Chancery, to make binding settlements of their real and personal estate on marriage. August 6.

84. An act for preventing the adulteration of articles of food or drink. August 6. By this act every person who shall sell any article of food or drink with which, to the knowledge of such person, any ingredient or material injurious to health has been mixed, and every person who shall sell as pure or unadulterated any article of food or drink which is adulterated or not pure, shall for every such offence, on summary conviction before two justices, forfeit a penalty not exceeding £5, together with costs; and, on conviction for a second offence, the justices may order the offender's name, address, and offence to be published in a newspaper, or in such manner as they may think desirable. Public analysts of food and drink are to be appointed in the city of London by the Commissioners of Sewers; in the metropolis by the vestries; and throughout England and Ireland by the Courts of Quarter Sessions and the Town Councils. Purchasers of articles of food and drink may have them analysed.

85. An act to amend the 17 and 18 Vic., c. 89, and the 18 and 19 Vic., c. 29, two acts relating to the registration of births, deaths, and marriages in Scotland. August 6.

86. An act to make provision respecting the marriages of British subjects in the Ionian Islands. August 6.

87. An act to remove doubts as to the authority of the senior members of the Council of the Governor-General of India, in the absence of the President. August 13.

88. An act to extend certain provisions for Admiralty jurisdiction in the colonies to her Majesty's territories in India. August 13.

89. An act to extend in certain cases the provisions of the superannuation act (1859). August 13.

90. An act to repeal the duties on game certificates, and certificates to deal in game, and to impose in lieu thereof duties on excise licences, and certificates for the like purposes. August 13.

91. An act for removing doubts respecting the Craven scholarship in the University of Oxford, and for enabling the University to retain the custody of certain testamentary documents. August 13.

92. An act to amend the law relative to the Scottish herring fisheries. August 13.

93. An act to amend and further extend the acts for the commutation of tithes in England and Wales. August 13.

94. An act to amend the laws relating to the militia. August 13.

95. An act to facilitate the buildings of cottages for labourers, farm-servants and artisans by the proprietors of entailed estates in Scotland. August 13.

96. An act to amend the Police of Towns Improvement Act, so as to enable towns and populous places in Scotland to avail themselves of its provisions for sanitary and other improvements, without at the same time adopting its provisions as regards the establishment and maintenance of a police force. August 13.

97. An act for amending and making perpetual the railways act, Ireland (1851). August 13.

98. An act for taking the census in Scotland. August 20.

99. An act to continue until the 10th of August, 1861, the corrupt practice prevention act. August 20.

100. An act to repeal so much of the 22 and 23 Vic., c. 27, and of certain other acts, as authorises the Secretary of State in Council to give directions for raising European forces for the Indian army of her Majesty. August 20.

101. An act to continue the Poor-law Board until the 23rd of July, 1863. August 20.

102. An act to provide for the management of East India stock, and of the debts and obligations of the Government of India, at and by the Bank of England. August 20.

103. An act to apply £10,000,000 out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year 1860. August 20.

104. An act to enable the trustees of the Royal College of St. Patrick, at Maynooth to make provision for certain necessary buildings and repairs. August 20.

105. An act to provide for the management of the general prison at Perth, and for the administration of local prisons in Scotland. August 20.

106. An act to amend the lands clauses consolidations acts (1845) in regard to sales and compensation for land by way of a rentcharge, annual fee duty or ground annual, and to enable the Secretary of State for War to avail himself of the powers and provisions of those acts. August 20.

107. An act for granting to her Majesty certain duties on wine licenses and refreshment-houses, and for regulating the licensing of refreshment-houses and the granting of wine licenses in Ireland. August 28.

108. An act to amend the Industrial Schools Act (1857). August 28.

109. An act for defraying the expenses of constructing fortifications for the protection of the Royal arsenals and dockyards and the ports of Dover and Portland, and of creating a central arsenal. August 28.

110. An act to consolidate the duties of customs. August 28.

111. An act for granting to her Majesty certain duties of stamps, and to amend the laws relating to the stamp duties. August 28.

112. An act to make better provisions for acquiring lands for the defence of the realm. August 28.

113. An act to grant duties of excise on chicory, and on licenses to dealers in sweets or made wines; also to reduce the excise duty on hops and the period of credit allowed for payment of the duty on malt and hops respectively; to repeal the exemption from license duty of persons dealing in foreign wine and spirits in bond; and to amend the laws relating to the excise. August 28.

114. An act to reduce into one act and to amend the excise regulations relating to the distilling, rectifying, and dealing in spirits. August 28.

115. An act to simplify and amend the practice as to the entry of satisfaction of Crown debts and on judgments. August 28.

116. An act to amend the law relating to the election, duties, and payment of county coroners. August 28.

117. An act to confer powers on the Commissioners of Works to acquire certain property in Edinburgh for the erection of an industrial museum for Scotland. August 28.

118. An act to confirm certain provisional orders under the Local Government Act (1858), relating to the districts of Nottingham, Sunderland, Hastings, Reading, Chatham, Dartmouth, Tunbridge Wells, Sheerness, Sandgate, Wilton, Bridgnorth, and Dorchester. August 28.

119. An act to amend the laws relating to weights and measures in Ireland. August 28.

120. An act to amend the laws relating to the ballots for the militia in England, and to suspend the making of lists and ballots for the militia of the United Kingdom. August 28.

121. An act to amend the 6 and 7 Vic., c. 13, an act to enable her Majesty to provide for the Government of her settlements on the coast of Africa and in the Falkland Islands. August 28.

122. An act to enable the legislatures of her Majesty's possessions abroad to make enactments similar to the enactment of the 9 George IV., cap. 31, sec. 8. August 28.

123. An act to amend the laws relating to the government of the navy. August 28.

124. An act further to amend the acts relating to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and the act concerning the management of episcopal and capitular estates in England. August 28.

125. An act for better regulating the supply of gas to the metropolis. August 28.

126. An act for the further amendment of the process, practice, and mode of pleading in and enlarging the jurisdiction of the superior courts of common law at Westminster. August 28.

127. An act to amend the laws relating to attorneys, solicitors, proctors, and certificated conveyancers. August 28.

128. An act to enable the Lord Chancellor and Judges of the Court of Chancery to carry into effect the recommendations and suggestions of the Chancery Evidence Commissioners by general rules and orders of the Court. August 28.

129. An act to grant excise duties on British spirits and on spirits imported from the Channel Islands. August 28.

130. An act to enable the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise money in the United Kingdom for the service of the Government of India. August 28.

131. An act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund and the surplus of Ways and Means to the service of 1860, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament. August 28.

132. An act for raising the sum of £2,000,000 by Exchequer Bonds or Exchequer Bills for the service of 1860. August 28.

133. 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, and sergeants-majors of the militia; and to authorise the employment of the non-commissioned officers. August 28.

134. An act to amend the law regarding Roman Catholic charities. Aug. 28.

135. An act for the employment of the metropolitan police force in her Majesty's yards and military stations. August 28.

136. An act to amend the law relating to the administration of endowed charities. August 28.

137. An act to make further provision with respect to monies received from savings banks and friendly societies. August 28.

138. An act to continue and amend the Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act (1856). August 28.

139. An act to amend the law concerning the making, keeping, and carriage of gunpowder and compositions of an explosive nature, and concerning the manufacture, sale, and use of fireworks. August 28.

140. An act for facilitating the acquisition by rifle volunteer corps of grounds for rifle practice. August 28.

141. An act to amend the 13 and 14 Vic., c. 2, an act to restrain party processions in Ireland. August 28.

142. An act to make better provision for the union of contiguous benefices in cities, towns, and boroughs. August 28.

143. An act to extend certain provisions of the Titles to Land (Scotland) Act (1858), to titles to land held by burgage tenure; and to amend the said Act. August 28.

144. An act to amend the procedure and powers of the court for divorce and matrimonial causes. August 28.

145. An act to give to trustees, mortgagees, and others certain powers now commonly inserted in settlements, mortgages, and wills. August 28.

146. An act to amend the act for regulating measures used in sales of gas. August 28.

147. An act to amend the 7 and 8 Vic., c. 70. August 28.

148. An act to continue the powers of the Poor-law Commissioners in Ireland. August 28.

149. An act to make better provision for the relief of prisoners in contempt of the High Court of Chancery, and pauper defendants; and for the more efficient dispatch of business in the said court. August 28.

150. An act further to amend certain acts relating to the temporalities of the Church in Ireland. August 28.

151. An act for the regulation and inspection of mines. August 28.

152. An act to facilitate internal communication in Ireland by means of tramroads or tramways. August 28.

153. An act to amend the law relating to the tenure and improvement of land in Ireland. August 28.

154. An act to consolidate and amend the law of landlord and tenant in Ireland. August 28.

* * * There are also 203 local and personal acts declared public acts; nine private acts, printed by the Queen's printer, relating to private estates; and one private act, not printed, naturalising the issue of the present Viscount Kinnaird, son and heir apparent of the Countess of Newburgh.

THE SESSION OF PARLIAMENT, 1860.—The Session may justly be styled the "late" Session in more senses than one, *inasmuch* as its sittings were protracted and its existence prolonged much beyond the usual limits of Parliamentary seasons. Commencing at the early date of January 24, it lasted until the 28th of August, a period of seven months and four days, or about a month in excess of the average duration of ordinary Sessions. The House of Lords sat during the Session upon 114 occasions for an aggregate of 289 hours and 5 minutes, which gives an average duration of about two hours and 32 minutes for each sitting. The House of Commons sat upon 145 occasions during the Session, and the total aggregate duration of those sittings has been 1159 hours, giving an average of about eight hours for each sitting.