



## CHAPTER cxl.

An Act to provide for the union of the parishes in the city of London into one parish and to make better provision for the local government of the said city and for other purposes. A.D. 1907.  
[21st August 1907.]

**W**HEREAS the mayor aldermen and commons of the city of London in common council assembled (hereinafter called "the Common Council") have power under the City of London Sewers Act 1848 and the Acts amending the same to direct the alderman or his deputy and the major part of the Common Councilmen of every ward within the said city from time to time to make a rate called the sewer rate for the maintenance of the sewerage and drainage of the said city and another rate called the consolidated rate for maintaining the streets in the said city and the other purposes in the said Acts mentioned :

And whereas the Common Council have also power under the City of London Police Act 1839 and the Acts amending the same to order and direct that a rate (commonly called "the police rate") shall be made in the several wards of the said city by the alderman or his deputy and the major part of the Common Councilmen of each ward to raise money for defraying three equal fourth parts of the expenses of the police force of the said city :

And whereas there are at present more than one hundred parishes comprised within the city of London which are united in one union called "the City of London Union" having a board of guardians elected for such union :

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And whereas separate overseers are appointed for each of the said parishes and separate valuation lists are made for and separate poor rates are levied in each of the said parishes and the multiplication of valuation lists rate books demand notes and other documents leads to unnecessary expense:

And whereas it is expedient that the said city should be constituted one parish for all other than ecclesiastical or charitable purposes or purposes of income tax inhabited house duty or land tax and that the Common Council should be constituted the overseers of such parish:

And whereas certain lists of voters for the said city are now prepared by the secondary of the city of London and it is expedient that the duties now performed by the overseers of the said parishes respectively in respect of the preparation of lists of voters should be performed by the said secondary:

And whereas it is expedient that the powers of the board of guardians of the said City of London Union to appoint the assessment committee of the said union should be transferred to and vested in the Common Council:

And whereas it is expedient that the Common Council should be empowered to make levy and collect one rate over the said city for the purposes of their expenses under the City of London Sewers Act 1848 the City of London Police Act 1839 and the Acts amending or extending the same respectively and also to make one poor rate over the said city and that provision should be made for making levying and collecting the said rates together:

And whereas it is expedient that such further provisions as are hereinafter contained should be made for carrying into effect the objects aforesaid and otherwise in relation to the local government of the said city:

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be attained without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the King'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 (that is to say):—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the City of London (Union of Parishes) Act 1907.

**2.**—(1) In this Act if not inconsistent with the context the following terms have the meanings hereinafter respectively assigned to them (that is to say):—

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tion.

The expression “powers” includes rights jurisdiction capacities privileges and immunities ;

The expression “duties” includes responsibilities and obligations ;

The expression “liabilities” includes liability to any proceeding for enforcing any duty or for punishing the breach of any duty and includes all debts and liabilities to which any authority whose powers duties or liabilities are by this Act transferred to the Common Council are or would but for this Act be liable or subject to whether accrued due at the date of the transfer or subsequently accruing and includes any obligation to carry or apply any money to any sinking fund or to any particular purpose ;

The expression “powers duties and liabilities” includes all powers duties and liabilities conferred or imposed by or arising under any local and personal Act ; and

The expression “office” includes any place situation or employment and the expression “officer” shall be construed accordingly.

(2) The local Act passed in the second and third years of the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria chapter 94 intituled “An Act for regulating the Police in the City of London” is in this Act referred to as “the City of London Police Act 1839.”

**3.** For the purposes of this Act the appointed day shall be the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and eight or such other day not being more than six months earlier or twelve months later as the Local Government Board may on the application of the Common Council appoint either generally or with reference to any particular provision of this Act and different days may be appointed for different purposes and different provisions of this Act whether contained in the same section or in different sections.

Appointed  
day.

**4.** Subject to the necessary modifications and to the provisions of any scheme under this Act sections 85 to 88 of the Local Government Act 1894 (which contain transitory provisions) shall apply and have effect in carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Application  
of certain  
provisions of  
Local Go-  
vernment  
Act 1894.

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Union of  
parishes.

5.—(1) On<sup>1</sup> and after the appointed day the parishes and places specified in the schedule to this Act (in this Act called “the existing parishes”) shall for all purposes other than ecclesiastical or charitable purposes or purposes of income tax inhabited house duty or land tax be united and shall form one parish to be called “the parish of the city of London” and shall continue to form the City of London Poor Law Union.

(2) All property debts and liabilities of the existing parishes including all property held under any trust for any of the said parishes or the inhabitants or parishioners thereof (not being a trust for ecclesiastical or charitable purposes) shall become the property debts and liabilities of the parish of the city of London and in the case of property held in trust as aforesaid shall be held in trust for the same purpose as before the appointed day and the Common Council shall have power (when they so resolve) to nominate trustees for the purposes of this section:

Provided that such property has not been included in any scheme established under the authority of an Order in Council or a scheme of the Charity Commissioners or of the Board of Education and is not held upon a trust for ecclesiastical or charitable purposes.

(3) Nothing in this Act shall affect the ecclesiastical area boundaries or divisions of any parish or except as expressly provided by this Act shall prejudice vary or affect any right interest or jurisdiction in or over any property held for ecclesiastical or charitable purposes which now is applicable for the benefit of any of the existing parishes or the inhabitants thereof.

(4) The guardians of the poor elected for the existing parishes shall subject to the provisions of any scheme made under this Act continue to act as guardians of the poor of the said union until the ordinary date of retirement of such guardians or such other date as may be fixed by a scheme under this Act.

(5) Until an order has been made dividing the parish of the city of London into wards for the election of guardians guardians shall be elected for the same areas as heretofore and for this purpose the lists of voters shall be made out for such areas.

Transitory  
and conse-  
quential pro-  
visions.

6.—(1) Every person who has acquired or who on or before the appointed day acquires or is in the course of acquiring a settlement in any of the existing parishes or a status of irremovability from the City of London Union by reason of residence

in any of the existing parishes shall be deemed to have acquired to acquire or to be in the course of acquiring a settlement in the parish of the city of London or a status of irremovability from the City of London Union. A.D. 1907.

For the purposes of this subsection and for any other purposes connected with settlement or removal in relation to cases affected by this Act any residence completed any act or thing done any status condition right or privilege acquired or created or in the course of acquisition or creation prior to the appointed day in any of the existing parishes or in the City of London Union by reason of residence in any of such parishes or union shall have effect as if the residence had been completed the act or thing had been done the status condition right or privilege had been acquired or created or had been in the course of acquisition or creation in the parish of the city of London or in the City of London Union.

(2) All arrears of poor rate due at the appointed day shall be recoverable by the Common Council as overseers of the parish of the city of London and from the person liable as fully and effectually as if this Act had not passed.

(3) Any sums which at the appointed day shall be in the hands of the overseers of or in the hands of any collectors vestry clerks assistant overseers or other officers of any of the existing parishes on account of any rates shall within one month after the appointed day be duly accounted for by them and paid over to the Common Council as overseers of the parish of the city of London and all sums which on such last-mentioned day shall be due to the overseers of any of the existing parishes shall be paid to the Common Council as overseers of the parish of the city of London and all debts and liabilities of the overseers of any of the existing parishes incurred in connection with their duties as overseers shall be a charge upon the rates of the parish of the city of London as fully and effectually as they would have been a charge upon the rates of any of the existing parishes if this Act had not passed.

(4) If at the appointed day any sums shall be in the hands of or due to the guardians or the treasurer of the City of London Union in respect of any of the existing parishes such sums shall be treated as being in their or his hands or due to them or him in respect of the parish of the city of London.

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(5) The amounts standing to the credit or debit of the existing parishes in the accounts of the overseers vestry or churchwardens of any of the existing parishes or in the books of the guardians at the appointed day shall be taken into account in making rates to be levied during the first financial year commencing on or after the appointed day in such manner that as far as practicable the area of an existing parish shall have the advantage of any sums so standing to the credit of the parish and shall make good any sums so standing to the debit of the parish and for that purpose the rates so levied in one such area need not be uniform with the rates levied in another such area.

(6) If at the appointed day any action contribution order or proceeding shall be pending or existing by or against the overseers of any of the existing parishes in relation to their parish the same shall not be in anywise prejudicially affected by reason of the passing of this Act but may be continued prosecuted and enforced by or against the Common Council as overseers of the parish of the city of London.

(7) All contracts deeds bonds agreements and other instruments entered into or made by or with the overseers of the existing parishes or any of them and subsisting at the appointed day shall be of as full force and effect against or in favour of the Common Council as overseers of the parish of the city of London and may be enforced as fully and effectually as if instead of the overseers of the existing parishes or any of them the Common Council as overseers of the parish of the city of London had been a party thereto.

(8) The registers of parliamentary county and parochial electors for the existing parishes and the jury lists in force at the appointed day shall notwithstanding anything contained in this Act continue unaltered until new registers and lists come into force.

As to property held in trust by overseers of existing parishes.

7.—(1) Where at the appointed day any real or personal property is vested in or held by the overseers of any of the existing parishes either alone or jointly with any other person or persons in trust for any charity such real property is as from the appointed day hereby vested in the Official Trustee of Charity Lands and such personal property shall be transferred with the authority of the Charity Commissioners to the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds or as the said commissioners shall direct.

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(2) Where the overseers of any of the existing parishes are at the appointed day entitled to act as trustees or in the administration of any charity the Common Council shall appoint an equal number of persons to be trustees or act in the administration of that charity as the case may be and the term of office of any person so appointed shall be four years.

8. The sum of fifty-eight thousand five hundred and forty-eight pounds fifteen shillings and fourpence two and a half per centum consolidated stock now standing in the names of and administered by the guardians of the City of London Union for the benefit of certain parishes within that union shall by virtue of this Act vest in the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds and be held by them upon the trusts of schemes for charitable purposes within the city of London to be established by an order of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales having regard so far as may be reasonably practicable to the benefit of the parishes for whose respective benefit the same is now administered.

Certain stock to be transferred to Official Trustees of Charitable Funds.

9. The sum of six hundred and eighty-three pounds fifteen shillings and twopence two and a half per centum consolidated stock now standing in court to the credit of "Ex parte the mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London 'Account of the Common Councilmen of the precinct of Saint Andrew 'Holborn'" under an order made on the sixteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two "In the matter of the building No. 64 Holborn Hill in the city of London formerly used as a watch-house and In the matter of the Holborn Valley Improvement Act 1864" including the right to procure a transfer thereof into their name shall by virtue of this Act vest in the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds and be held by them upon the trusts and for the purposes of the scheme made by the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales on the twenty-eighth of June one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two for the regulation of the Saint Andrew Holborn City Foundation Charity or of such other scheme or schemes as the said Charity Commissioners may establish for the application of such fund for the benefit of the city liberty of the ecclesiastical parish of Saint Andrew Holborn in the city of London.

As to Saint Andrew Holborn.

10. Until a new valuation list comes into force for the parish of the city of London the valuation lists of the existing parishes which are in force on the appointed day shall subject

Valuation lists.

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Common  
Council to be  
overseers.

**11.**—(1) On and after the appointed day the Common Council shall be the overseers of the parish of the city of London and shall appoint such officers as may be required to assist in the transaction of the business and shall defray the expenses of and incidental to the performance of the duties of overseers and from and after the appointed day no authority other than the Common Council shall appoint collectors of poor rate. Provided that the secondary of the city of London shall have the powers and duties and be subject to the liabilities of overseers with respect to the preparation of lists of voters in the said city.

(2) Any document (other than lists of voters) required to be signed by overseers may be signed by the town clerk of the city of London or such other person as the Common Council may appoint in that behalf.

(3) Subject to the provisions of this Act the Common Council may authorise or appoint a committee or committees to consist of members of the said Council to perform all or any of the duties of overseers by this Act transferred to or vested in the said Council.

Every committee shall report their proceedings to the Common Council but to the extent to which the Common Council so direct the acts and proceedings of the committee shall not require the approval of the Common Council. Provided that a committee shall not raise money by loan or by rate or spend any money beyond the sum allowed by the Common Council.

(4) A scheme under this Act may make such provisions as appear necessary for adapting the enactments relating to the registration of electors to the provisions of this Act with respect to the powers and duties of the secondary and overseers.

Precepts to  
Common  
Council.

**12.** On and after the appointed day every precept issued by any authority for the purpose of obtaining money which is ultimately to be raised out of a rate within the parish of the city of London other than a precept sent to the guardians of the city of London Union by the Local Government Board or by a body containing representatives elected by the said guardians shall be sent to the Common Council at the Guildhall addressed to the



Common Council or the town clerk Any such precept if so sent and addressed shall be deemed to be personally served on the Common Council and shall be executed by them "Precept" in this section includes any order certificate warrant or other document of a like character. A.D. 1907.

**13.** As from the appointed day subject to the provisions of this Act the property powers duties and liabilities of the vestry (not being property powers duties or liabilities relating to ecclesiastical affairs or charities) in each of the existing parishes shall be transferred to the Common Council and in any Act (whether local or general) relating to any of such parishes references to the vestry except in relation to ecclesiastical affairs or charities shall be construed as references to the Common Council Provided that any building which belongs to any body whose powers and duties are transferred to the Common Council by or under this Act and which has been erected wholly or partly on a churchyard shall with its appurtenances be transferred to and vest in the Common Council subject to such right of use for church purposes as may be given by a scheme under this Act. Transfer of powers of vestry.

Nothing in this Act shall transfer to or vest in the corporation or in any way prejudice or affect any property rights powers or privileges vested in the trustees under an Act of 10 George IV. c. 96 being "An Act for taking down the Parish Church of Saint Dunstan in the West in the City of London and building a new Church in lieu thereof."

**14.—(1)** Notwithstanding anything in the Valuation (Metropolis) Act 1869 the assessment committee for the City of London Union shall be appointed by the Common Council from among the members of that Council and the town clerk (or such person as may from time to time be appointed by the Common Council) shall act as the clerk to that committee. Assessment committee.

(2) The Common Council shall appoint the assessment committee as soon as conveniently may be after the appointed day and in every subsequent year at their first meeting after the annual election of Common Councilmen.

(3) The assessment committee so appointed by the Common Council shall be entitled to have and shall have in their possession and under their control any valuation lists notices of objection returns and other documents which were in the possession or under the control of the assessment committee appointed by the board of guardians of the City of London Union:

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Provided that any officer authorised by the said board of guardians in that behalf shall have the same right of inspecting and taking copies of and extracts from any of those documents without payment as a surveyor of taxes has under section 69 of the Valuation (Metropolis) Act 1869 and that section shall apply accordingly.

(4) Any enactment in any Act whether general or local referring to the powers and duties of a board of guardians with reference to an assessment committee shall be construed with the necessary modifications including the substitution of the Common Council for the board of guardians and in particular subject to the provisions of this Act all the provisions of the Valuation (Metropolis) Act 1869 and the enactments incorporated therewith or amending the same shall be construed so far as is consistent with the tenor thereof as if references to the parish of the city of London the Common Council the members of the Common Council the town clerk (or other person appointed by the Common Council as aforesaid) and the poor rate were substituted for references to the union the board of guardians the guardians the clerk and assistant clerk of the board of guardians and the common fund respectively.

General rate.

**15.**—(1) On and after the appointed day the sewer rate consolidated rate and police rate and any rate leviable for the purposes of defraying the necessary charges and incidental expenses of the militia under the Act 1 George IV. cap. 100 (commonly known and hereinafter referred to as "the Trophy Tax") shall be assessed made levied and collected together by the Common Council as one rate which shall be termed the general rate and shall be assessed made collected and levied as if it were the consolidated rate and subject to the provisions of this Act all enactments applying or referring to the consolidated rate shall (with the exception that the said rate shall be assessed made and levied by the Common Council for the whole of the said city and not by the alderman or his deputy and the major part of the Common Councilmen of each ward within the said city) be construed as applying or referring to the general rate but nothing in this section shall authorise the Common Council to levy a greater rate in the pound for the purposes of the City of London Sewers Act 1848 and the City of London Police Act 1839 and the Acts amending the same respectively than is authorised under such Acts:

Provided always that the amount in the pound which the Common Council may levy in respect of the respective portions of the general rate which represent the sewer rate the consolidated rate and the police rate respectively shall be the same as the amount in the pound which might have been levied in respect of each of those rates respectively if this Act had not passed. A.D. 1907.

(2) So much of the City of London Sewers Act 1848 and the City of London Police Act 1839 as provides that the Common Council may direct the alderman or his deputy and the major part of the Common Councilmen of every ward to make a rate is hereby repealed as from the appointed day and all other provisions of the City of London Sewers Act 1848 relating to the consolidated rate shall be construed as if all references therein to the persons making the consolidated rate were references to the Common Council and as if all references therein to the consolidated rate were references to the general rate.

(3) On and after the appointed day all rates which have accrued due and payable to the Common Council up to the appointed day and remain unpaid shall be recoverable by the Common Council as if this Act had not been passed.

(4) The expenses of the Common Council (other than those provided for by the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "Poor rate") shall so far as the same are now payable by means of or out of any rates leviable within the city of London be paid out of the general rate to be made from time to time by the Common Council under this Act.

**16.**—(1) After the appointed day His Majesty's lieutenants for the city of London may from time to time in lieu of issuing precepts as heretofore issue precepts to the Common Council requiring them to raise the sums of money therein mentioned for the purpose of defraying the necessary charges and incidental expenses of the militia under the Act 1 George IV. chapter 100 (commonly known as "the Trophy Tax") and the Common Council shall comply with every such precept by raising the amount mentioned in the precept together with and as part of the general rate and the amount so raised shall be paid by the Common Council to the said lieutenants and applied by them under and in accordance with the provisions of the said Act or any other Act dealing therewith for the time being in force. Provisions as  
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Tax.

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(2) Nothing in this section contained shall be deemed or construed to confer on the Common Council any right or power of administering or dealing with any sums of money raised by them under this section.

Ward ex-  
penses.

**17.**—(1) As from the appointed day the charges and expenses in each of the several wards in the city of London in respect of ward clerks and beadles and other expenses connected with the holding of wardmotes or other ward meetings and for other local purposes connected therewith which have heretofore been paid out of the watch rate or the ward rate shall be from time to time paid by the Common Council out of the general rate to be made under this Act and a separate account shall be kept of all such charges and expenses :

Provided that such charges and expenses in each ward shall not exceed the sum fixed for that ward by regulations to be made by the Common Council which regulations may be varied from time to time as and when they shall think fit.

(2) As from the appointed day section 85 of the City of London Police Act 1839 is hereby repealed and all sums raised by means of a ward rate which at the appointed day shall be in the hands of any deputy or ward clerk shall within one month after the appointed day be duly accounted for by him and paid over to the Common Council and carried by them to the credit of the general rate and all sums which on such last-mentioned day shall be due to any deputy or ward clerk in respect of any ward rate shall be paid to the Common Council and carried by them to the credit of the general rate.

Poor rate.

**18.**—(1) The expenses of the Common Council when acting as overseers or by the assessment committee appointed under this Act shall so far as not otherwise provided for be paid out of the poor rates to be made from time to time by the Common Council as overseers of the parish of the city of London and subject to the provisions of this Act there shall also be paid out of such poor rates all such other expenses as would have been paid out of the poor rate if this Act had not been passed.

(2) The Common Council may also pay out of the poor rates the expenses of the maintenance of patients at asylums and other charges payable by the Common Council or any committee appointed by the Common Council under the Lunacy Acts and

the expenses and charges payable under the Acts relating to reformatories and industrial schools and the expenses of the offices of coroner and clerk of the peace respectively and if they so resolve may also pay out of the poor rates all expenses which but for the passing of this Act would have been payable out of a county rate leviable exclusively in the county of the city of London. A.D. 1907.  
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**19.** On and after the appointed day the poor rate and the general rate shall be made by the Common Council as separate and distinct rates but if so ordered by the Common Council the poor rate shall be made at the same time and shall be entered in the same book as the general rate. Provided that it shall be lawful for the Common Council if they so decide to divide any rate book containing the poor rate and general rate or either of them into two or more volumes each volume containing the rate charged upon the hereditaments or property within a particular area or district or included in a particular class and in that case the several volumes taken together shall be deemed to constitute one book. Making of  
poor and  
general rates  
together.

**20.**—(1) Every rate made by the Common Council under this Act shall be signed by the town clerk of the city of London or such other person as the Common Council shall appoint in that behalf and shall be published on the day on which it is made or on the day following at the Guildhall in the same manner as poor rates are now by law directed to be published and such signature and publication shall be sufficient. Making and  
publication  
of rates.

(2) A rate made by the Common Council shall be deemed to be made on the day when it is signed as aforesaid.

(3) Where any Act passed before or after the passing of this Act requires or directs that any notice or other document shall or may be given or published in the manner in which notice of a rate allowed by justices is required to be published a publication of such notice or document in the manner and at the place hereinbefore prescribed by this Act for the publication of rates shall be a sufficient compliance with such requirement or direction.

**21.** After the appointed day all the rates collected in the city of London from any person by the Common Council shall as far as is practicable be levied on one demand note and the demand note and rate receipt and any other book or account to Rates may  
be levied on  
one demand  
note.

A.D. 1907. be used in connection with the joint collection shall be in forms approved by the Local Government Board and the demand note shall state in manner provided in the form thereof—

- (A) The rateable value of the premises in respect of which the rate is levied ; and
- (B) The rate in the pound ; and
- (C) The period for which the rate is made ; and
- (D) The several purposes for which the rate is levied ; and
- (E) The approximate amount in the pound required for each purpose (including as far as is practicable the proportionate amount of the estimated costs of and loss in collection) ; and
- (F) Any matter required by section 2 of the London (Equalisation of Rates) Act 1894 or any other enactment to be stated in the demand note.

Audit.

**22.**—(1) On and after the appointed day the Common Council shall keep separate accounts of their receipts and expenditure as overseers and of their other expenditure out of the poor rate and such accounts including the accounts relating to the making levy and collection of any poor rate made by the Common Council shall be made up and audited subject to the provisions for the time being in force relating to the making levy and collection of poor rates and the enactments relating to the audit of those accounts and to all matters incidental thereto and consequential thereon including the penal provisions shall apply accordingly and the District Auditors Act 1879 shall apply to the accounts mentioned in this subsection as if the Common Council acting as overseers were a local authority within the meaning of that Act.

(2) The accounts relating to the making levy and collection of any general rate made by the Common Council shall be made up and audited in like manner and subject to the same provisions as the accounts relating to the making levy and collection of the consolidated rate are now by law required to be made up and audited save that the accounts relating to any general rate shall be made up for the year ending the thirty-first day of March and that the month of June shall be substituted for the month of December in section 44 of the City of London Sewers Act 1848.

(3) The accounts relating to any rates levied by the Common Council for the period between the thirty-first day of December

next preceding the appointed day and the appointed day shall be made up and audited in the same manner as accounts for a full year. A.D. 1907.

**23.**—(1) The Local Government Board may on the application of the Common Council make such schemes as are required for carrying this Act into effect. Power to make schemes.

(2) A scheme under this section may provide—

(A) For such adjustments as may be required for carrying into effect any of the provisions of this Act or for preventing any injustice with respect to the incidence of any rate or the discharge of any liability or otherwise;

(B) For repealing or modifying any local Act other than the London Building Act 1894 or any Act amending the same;

and may contain any incidental consequential or supplementary provisions which may appear to be necessary or proper for the purposes of the scheme.

(3) The provisions of section 213 subsections (3) and (4) of section 214 and section 218 of the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 with respect to a scheme under Part XI. of that Act shall apply in the case of any scheme under this Act with the necessary modifications. Provided that notification in the London Gazette and in such other manner as the Local Government Board may direct of a draft scheme having been prepared or of a scheme having been settled and of the place where copies of it can be inspected and obtained shall be substituted for publication of the draft scheme or schemes in the London Gazette or in the manner required by the seventh schedule to the Municipal Corporations Act 1882.

**24.** It shall be lawful for the lord mayor of the city of London or for any alderman of the said city for the time being sitting at the Mansion House or Guildhall justice rooms in the said city to do alone any act at either of the said justice rooms which by any law now in force or by any law not containing an express enactment to the contrary hereafter to be made is or shall be directed to be done by more than one justice. Power for alderman to exercise powers of two justices.

**25.**—(1) Where before the appointed day any rate is made levied or collected in any of the existing parishes for ecclesiastical Tithes and payments in lieu of tithes.

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purposes either as a separate rate or as an addition to or part of any other rate or in order to raise any sum of money for the payment of any tithes tithe rentcharge or of any payment in lieu of such tithes tithe rentcharge or where any such sum of money is required or directed under any Act to be paid out of the poor rate or any other rate levied in such parish a scheme may be made by the Common Council with the approval of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in relation to any such rates or sum of money for enabling the Common Council to make provision for the collection of any such rates or sum of money and the payment thereof to the vestries of the respective parishes or such other body or person as may for the time being be entitled to receive the same but so that the assessments in respect thereof and the distribution thereof amongst the parties entitled thereto shall remain with the respective vestries.

(2) A scheme under this section may amend or repeal any Act so far as it relates to the collection and payment over of any such rate or sum of money as in this section mentioned :

Provided always that no scheme under this section shall apply to any parish without the consent of the vestry and incumbent of that parish or of such other body or person as may for the time being be entitled to collect or receive any such tithes tithe rentcharge or payment in lieu of tithes or tithe rentcharge as the case may be and in the case of the parish of Saint Olave Hart Street without the consent of the trustees of the advowson of that parish :

Provided also that any such scheme shall not deprive any such owner or person of his right to any such tithes tithe rentcharge or payment in lieu of tithes or tithe rentcharge nor reduce the amount payable to them.

Jury lists.

**26.** The powers and duties of ward clerks in connection with the preparation of lists of persons liable to serve on juries shall as from the appointed day be transferred to the secondary of the city of London and the said lists shall be made out by him as one list for the parish of the city of London which list shall be examined and certified by justices of the said city in special sessions.

Saving for  
wards and  
wardmotes.

**27.** Subject to the provisions of the section of this Act whereof the marginal note is "Ward expenses" nothing in this Act shall affect the division of the city of London into wards



or the holding of the wardmote in any of such wards or the appointment of ward clerks beadles and other officers in the said wards. A.D. 1907.

**28.**—(1) The officers of any authority whose powers duties or liabilities are transferred under this Act to the Common Council shall be transferred to and become the officers of that Council but that Council may abolish the office of any such officers whose office they deem unnecessary. Compensation to officers.

(2) Every officer so transferred shall hold his office by the same tenure and on the same terms and conditions as before the transfer and while performing the same duties shall receive not less salary or remuneration than theretofore but if any such officer is required to perform duties which are not analogous to or which are an unreasonable addition to those which he is required to perform at the date of the transfer the Common Council shall adjust such officer's remuneration as in the opinion of the Common Council the circumstances merit but such officer may relinquish his office and any officer who so relinquishes his office or whose office is abolished shall be entitled to compensation under this Act.

(3) If an officer of any authority to which the Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Act 1896 applies is under this Act transferred to the Common Council and has made the annual contributions required to be made under that Act the provisions of that Act shall apply subject to such modifications as the Local Government Board may by order direct for the purpose of making that Act applicable to the case.

(4) Section 120 of the Local Government Act 1888 which relates to compensation to existing officers shall apply as respects officers transferred under this Act and also with the necessary modifications to any officers who by virtue of this Act or anything done in pursuance or in consequence of this Act suffer direct pecuniary loss by abolition of office or by dismissal or by failure of reappointment or by diminution or loss of fees salary or emoluments in like manner as it applies to officers transferred under this Act subject as follows:—

- (A) Any reference in that section to the county council shall be construed as a reference to the Common Council; and
- (B) References in that section to "the passing of this Act" shall as respects a case of relinquishment of office be construed as references to the date on which the relinquishment takes effect; and

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(c) The Local Government Board shall be substituted for the Treasury in that section; and

(d) Any expenses shall be paid out of the fund or rate out of which the salary of the officer is paid by the Common Council or in the case of an officer who ceases to hold office under the Common Council out of the fund or rate out of which his salary would have been paid by the Common Council.

(5) In computing the time of service in any capacity of any officer for the purpose of determining the compensation to which he is entitled under this Act the Common Council shall take into account the service of any such officer in any capacity under any board of guardians and may in consideration of special circumstances or of the fact that any officer was appointed to his office as a specially qualified person add to the number of years such officer has actually served in such capacity such number of years not exceeding twenty as the Common Council may think just and the Common Council shall treat as continuous service in a ward or precinct the service of any such officer in any ward or precinct and as continuous service in a parish the service of any such officer in any parish from the date of the first appointment of such officer to any office in any ward precinct or parish notwithstanding that such officer may have held different offices in any ward precinct or parish or may have been annually or periodically reappointed to any office Provided that if the Common Council abolish the office of any officer otherwise than at the expiration of a year of service of such officer the portion then expired of that year shall be treated as a full year.

Justices for city not to sit at quarter sessions for county.

**29.** So much of subsection (10) of section 42 of the Local Government Act 1888 as provides that upon the hearing of any appeals in relation to property in the city of London two members of the court of quarter sessions of the said city shall be entitled to attend and sit as members of the quarter sessions for the county of London is hereby repealed.

Inquiries by Local Government Board.

**30.**—(1) The Local Government Board may direct any inquiries to be held by their inspectors which they may deem necessary in regard to the exercise of any powers conferred upon them or the giving of any consents under this Act and the inspectors of the Local Government Board shall for the purposes of any such inquiry have all such powers as they have for the purposes of inquiries directed by that Board under the Public Health Act 1875.

(2) The Common Council shall pay to the Local Government Board any expenses incurred by that Board in relation to any inquiries referred to in this section including the expenses of any witnesses summoned by the inspector holding the inquiry and a sum to be fixed by that Board not exceeding three guineas a day for the services of such inspector. A.D. 1907.

**31.** Any expenses incurred in the execution of this Act by the Common Council with respect to which no other provision is made may be defrayed by the Common Council out of such rate or rates and (if out of more than one rate) in such proportion as the Common Council may in their discretion having regard to the object of the expenditure deem just. Expenses of execution of Act.

**32.** The masters of the bench of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple and the masters of the bench of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple respectively shall as from the appointed day on demand pay to the Common Council their proportionate share of so much of the general rate as is levied by the Common Council for the purposes of the City of London Police Acts 1839 1874 1889 and 1894 which share shall bear the same proportion to the whole of that part of the general rate which is levied for the purposes aforesaid as the rateable value of the places known as the Inner and Middle Temples bears to the aggregate of the rateable values of those places and of the parish of the city of London and as from such day no rate shall be levied by the Common Council in either of the places known as the Inner and Middle Temples respectively for the purposes of the City of London Police Acts aforesaid Provided nevertheless that any rate made for the purposes of the City of London Police Acts aforesaid prior to the appointed day shall be recoverable by the Common Council as if this Act had not been passed. As to contribution by Inner and Middle Temples.

Such respective masters shall pay to the Common Council at the times when and in the manner in which they are now payable to the mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London the contributions payable by them under the order of the Honourable Mr. Justice Farwell made on the seventeenth day of December one thousand nine hundred and three in the action in the High Court of Justice (1900 P. No. 1224) of which the short title is "Patchett and others v. the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London" and the said judgment shall be read

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Saving for vestry of Saint Giles Without Cripplegate.

**33.** Nothing in this Act shall affect the provisions of the parish of Saint Giles Cripplegate Vestry Act 1869 so far as it relates to the ecclesiastical and charitable affairs of the parish of Saint Giles Without Cripplegate except so far as any provisions of that Act relating to overseers of the said parish are varied or affected by this Act.

Saving for certain railway companies.

**34.** Nothing in this Act contained shall repeal or vary sections 17 and 18 of the Saint Botolph Without Aldgate Tithe Rate Act 1888 or alter prejudice or affect the rights interests or exemptions by those sections conferred upon or reserved to the Metropolitan Railway Company the Metropolitan District Railway Company or the Metropolitan and District Joint Committee.

Saving for existing exemptions.

**35.** Nothing in this Act or in any scheme to be made under this Act shall confer or derogate from or otherwise affect any exemption or deduction from or allowance out of any rate to which this Act relates or any privilege of or provision for being rated on any exceptional principle of valuation.

Costs of Act.

**36.** The costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and incidental to the preparing of and applying for and the obtaining and passing of this Act shall be paid by the Common Council out of the consolidated rate or the sewer rate or the general rate or any or either of such rates.

The SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Act.

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## EXISTING PARISHES.

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| 1. St. Alban Wood Street.            | 42. St. Gabriel.                       |
| 2. Allhallows Barking.               | 43. St. George.                        |
| 3. Allhallows Bread Street.          | 44. St. Giles Cripplegate.             |
| 4. Allhallows Honey Lane.            | 45. St. Gregory by St. Paul.           |
| 5. Allhallows Lombard Street.        | 46. St. Helen.                         |
| 6. Allhallows London Wall.           | 47. St. James Duke's Place.            |
| 7. Allhallows Staining.              | 48. St. James Garlickhithe.            |
| 8. Allhallows the Great.             | 49. St. John the Baptist.              |
| 9. Allhallows the Less.              | 50. St. John the Evangelist.           |
| 10. St. Alphage.                     | 51. St. John Zachary.                  |
| 11. St. Andrew Holborn.              | 52. St. Katherine Coleman.             |
| 12. St. Andrew Hubbard.              | 53. St. Katherine Creechurch.          |
| 13. St. Andrew Undershaft.           | 54. St. Lawrence Jewry.                |
| 14. St. Andrew by the Wardrobe.      | 55. St. Laurence Pountney.             |
| 15. St. Ann and Agnes.               | 56. St. Leonard Eastcheap.             |
| 16. St. Ann Blackfriars.             | 57. St. Leonard Foster Lane.           |
| 17. St. Antholin.                    | 58. St. Magnus.                        |
| 18. St. Augustin.                    | 59. St. Margaret Lothbury.             |
| 19. Barnard's Inn.                   | 60. St. Margaret Moses.                |
| 20. St. Bartholomew by the Exchange. | 61. St. Margaret New Fish Street.      |
| 21. St. Bartholomew the Great.       | 62. St. Margaret Pattens.              |
| 22. St. Bartholomew the Less.        | 63. St. Martin Ludgate.                |
| 23. St. Benet Fink.                  | 64. St. Martin Orgars. *               |
| 24. St. Benet Gracechurch Street.    | 65. St. Martin Outwich.                |
| 25. St. Benet Paul's Wharf.          | 66. St. Martin Pomroy.                 |
| 26. St. Benet Sherehog.              | 67. St. Martin Vintry.                 |
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	86.	St. Michael Queenhithe.	101.	St. Peter-le-Poor.
	87.	St. Michael-le-Quern.	102.	St. Peter Westcheap.
	88.	St. Michael Paternoster Royal.	103.	Serjeants' Inn.
	89.	St. Michael Wood Street.	104.	St. Sepulchre.
	90.	St. Mildred Bread Street.	105.	St. Stephen Coleman Street.
	91.	St. Mildred Poultry.	106.	St. Stephen Walbrook.
	92.	St. Nicholas Acons.	107.	St. Swithin.
	93.	St. Nicholas Cole Abbey.	108.	Thavies Inn.
	94.	St. Nicholas Olave.	109.	St. Thomas Apostle.
	95.	St. Olave Hart Street.	110.	Holy Trinity the Less.
	96.	St. Olave Old Jewry.	111.	St. Vedast Foster.
	97.	St. Olave Silver Street.	112.	Whitefriars Precinct.

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