

employers and employed in those important branches of industry will be maintained on a footing of enduring harmony and mutual good-will.

I have readily sanctioned the Act for the reform of the system of Patronage in the Church of Scotland. I trust that the removal of this ancient cause of controversy may both strengthen the Church and conduce to the religious welfare of a large number of my subjects.

The Act for the better regulation of Public Worship in the Church of England, will, I hope, tend to prevent or allay the unhappy controversies which sometimes arise from the difficulty experienced in obtaining an early decision on doubtful points of law, and a definitive interpretation of the authorised form of public worship. Such controversies, even when they occur between persons loyally desirous to conform to the doctrine and discipline of the Established Church, beget serious evils, and their speedy termination by competent authority is a matter of grave importance to the interests of religion.

The legal measures which you have passed with reference to the Limitation of Actions for real property, the Law of Vendors and Purchasers, and Land Rights and Conveyancing in Scotland, as well as the Acts for regulating the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, and for carrying forward Sanitary Legislation in the United Kingdom, may be expected to be productive of public advantage and satisfaction.

The Commission issued by me for inquiring into the state and working of the law as to offences connected with trade has been unable to complete its labours in time to admit of legislation during the Session now about to terminate; and I regret that the pressure of business in the House of Commons has made it necessary to suspend the consideration of the measures for facilitating the transfer of land in England, for re-arranging the Judicature of England and Ireland, and for establishing an Imperial Court of Appeal. These subjects will naturally claim your earliest attention in a future Session.

In returning to your counties and constituencies, you will have the opportunity of beneficially exercising that influence which is the happy result of our local institutions, and I pray that the blessing of the Almighty may accompany you in the discharge of all your duties.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read; after which the Lord Chancellor said:

*My Lords and Gentlemen:*

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in Her Majesty's name, and in obedience to Her commands, prorogue this Parliament to Friday, the twenty-third day of October next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Friday, the twenty-third day of October next.

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 6th day of *August*, 1874.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HER Majesty in Council was this day pleased, on a representation of the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council on Education, to appoint Isaac Saunders Leadham,

Esquire, M.A., Fellow of Brasenose College, Oxford, and Edmund Mackenzie Sneyd-Kynnersley, Esquire, M.A., Fereday Fellow of Saint John's College, Oxford, to be two of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools.

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 6th day of *August*, 1874.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the session of Parliament holden in the fifty-seventh year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to empower His Majesty to suspend training, and to regulate the quotas of Militia," it is, amongst other things, enacted "that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by any Order or Orders in Council, to suspend the calling out of the Militia of the United Kingdom, or any part of the United Kingdom, or of any county, riding, shire, stewartry, city, town, or place, for the purpose of being trained and exercised, in any year, and to order and direct that no training or exercising of the Militia of the United Kingdom, or of any part of the United Kingdom, or of any county or counties, riding or ridings, shire or shires, stewartry or stewartries, city or cities, town or towns, or place or places, specified in any such Order or Orders in Council, shall take place in any year; anything contained in any Act or Acts of Parliament relating to the Militia to the contrary notwithstanding."

And whereas it has seemed fit to Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to suspend the calling out of the Fife Artillery Regiment of Militia, for the purpose of being trained and exercised, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by the advice of Her Privy Council, doth hereby suspend the calling out of the Fife Artillery Regiment of Militia, for the purpose of being trained and exercised, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; and it is further ordered that this Order be published in the London Gazette.

*Arthur Helps.*

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 6th day of *August*, 1874.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the seventh and eighth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the law respecting the Office of County Coroner," it is (amongst other things) enacted that when and as often as it shall seem expedient to the Justices of any county that such county should be divided into two or more districts for the purposes of that Act, or that alteration should be made of any division theretofore made under that Act, it shall be lawful for the said Justices in Quarter Sessions assembled to resolve that a Petition shall be presented to Her Majesty praying that such division be made, and thereupon to adjourn the further consideration of such Petition until notice thereof shall be given to the Coroner or Coroners of such county as thereinafter provided; and further, that the Clerk of the Peace shall give notice of any such