ACT No. VII of 1877.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 28th March 1877).

An Act to amend the law relating to assignments from the general Provincial Fund established under the North-Western Provinces Local Rates Act, 1871.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to authorise the Local Government of the North-Western Provinces to provide out of the general Provincial Fund established under the North-Western Provinces Local Rates Act, 1871, for payment of certain charges incurred or to be incurred on account of canals and railways in the North-Western Provinces; It is hereby enacted as follows:

Substitution of new section for section 10 of Act XVIII, 1871.

Assignments from general fund.

- 1. Section 10 of the said Act shall be repealed and in lieu thereof the following shall be substituted:—
- "10. The Lieutenant-Governor may from time to time assign from such Fund such amount as he thinks fit, to be applied in payment of charges incurred or to be incurred on account of such canals and railways as he, with the previous sanction of the Governor General in Council, may declare to be works of general provincial utility, and he shall from time to time allot from such Fund an amount to be applied in each district for expenditure on all or any of the following purposes:—
- (a) the construction, repair and maintenance of roads and communications;

(b) the maintenance of the rural police and district-post;

(c) the construction and repair of school-houses, the maintenance and inspection of schools, the training of teachers, and the establishment of scholarships;

(d) the construction and repair of hospitals, dispensaries, lunatic asylums, markets, wells and tanks; the payment of all charges connected with the purposes for which such buildings or works have been constructed, and any other local works likely to promote the public health, comfort or convenience:

"Provided that the amount assigned in respect of Proviso. such canals and railways shall not exceed ten per cent, of the total sum levied under this Act in the year in which the assignment was made, and that the amount allotted to be applied in each district for expenditure on all or any of the purposes mentioned in clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this section shall be at least ninety per cent. of the total sum levied under this Act in such district in the year in which the allotment was made."

2. In section 12 of the said Act, for the word Amendment "assignment" in each of the places where it occurs, of Act XVIII of 1871, ss. 12, the word "allotment" shall be substituted, and for 13 and 14. the word "re-assigned" the word "re-allotted" shall be substituted.

And in section 13 of the said Act, for the word "assignment" the word "allotment" shall be substituted.

And in section 14 of the same Act, for the word "amount" in each of the places where it occurs, the word "allotment" shall be substituted.