and no longer, but the expiration thereof shall not affect any appointment of a revising barrister which otherwise would have been valid.

Short titles and construction.

2. The Act of the session of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter eighteen, intituled "An Act "to amend the law for the registration of persons entitled to vote, "and to define certain rights of voting, and to regulate certain "proceedings in the election of members to serve in Parliament for "England and Wales," is in this Act referred to and may be cited as the Parliamentary Voters Registration Act, 1843.

This Act shall be construed as one with the Parliamentary Voters Registration Act, 1843, and that Act and this Act and the Registration Act, 1885, may be cited together as the Parliamentary Voters Registration Acts, 1843 and 1885, and this Act may be cited separately as the Revising Barristers Act, 1885.

CHAPTER 58.

An Act to amend the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1878.

[14th August 1885.]

BE it enacted by the Queen'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:

Construction and citation of Acts.
26 & 27 Vict. c. 112.
29 & 30 Vict. c. 3.
31 & 32 Vict. c. 110.
32 & 33 Vict. c. 73.
33 & 34 Vict. c. 88.
41 & 42 Vict. c. 76.

1. This Act shall be read as one with the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1878, and shall be deemed to be a Post Office Act within the meaning of the Post Office (Offences) Act, 1837; and this Act may be cited together with the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1878, as the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1885, and may be cited separately as the Telegraph Act, 1885.

Postmaster-General to make regulations for conduct of business and to fix charges.

2. Section fifteen of the Telegraph Act, 1868, shall be repealed, and in place thereof be it enacted as follows:

The Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, may from time to time make regulations for determining the hours during which the offices appointed by him to be places for the receipt and despatch of telegrams shall be open for the transaction of telegraphic business, and for fixing the sums to be from time to time paid on account of the transmission of telegrams, and on account of services rendered in connexion therewith, and on account of the use of any telegraphs by any persons, and for determining the conditions and purposes on which and for which such use may be permitted, and for the general conduct of telegraphic business: Provided that—

(1.) The charges for the transmission of written telegrams throughout the United Kingdom shall uniformly and without regard to distance be at a rate not exceeding sixpence for the first twelve words of each telegram or for each telegram of less than twelve words (counting as part of such twelve words the names and addresses of the sender and addressee of the telegram), and not exceeding one halfpenny for each additional word:

(2.) The sums charged for the transmission of written telegrams shall be held to cover the costs of delivery by special foot messenger, within the limit of one mile of the terminal telegraphic office, or within the limit of the town postal delivery of that office, when it is a head post office and the town postal delivery extends for more than a mile from it:

(3.) When the addressee does not reside within the above-described limits, and the sender desires to have his telegram delivered by special foot messenger, the charge to him for porterage by such special messenger shall not exceed sixpence per double mile, or any part thereof, beyond such limits:

(4.) When the addressee does not reside within the above-described limits, and the sender does not desire to incur the cost of special delivery, his telegram shall be delivered free of extra charge by the ordinary postal delivery next following on the arrival of his telegram at the terminal telegraphic office.

Section twenty-three of the Telegraph Act, 1868, shall apply in the case of regulations made under this Act as if such regulations were made under the authority of the said Telegraph Act, 1868.

Saving clause.

3. The repeal of section fifteen of the Telegraph Act, 1868, shall not affect the validity of any regulations made under the said section before the passing of this Act, and such regulations and all charges made thereunder shall remain in force until revoked by the Postmaster-General with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or superseded by regulations made under this Act.

Extent of Act.

4. This Act shall extend to the Isle of Man and to the Channel Islands, and the Royal Courts of the Channel Islands shall register the same accordingly; and for all the purposes of this Act the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands shall respectively be deemed to be part of the United Kingdom.

CHAPTER 59.

An Act to continue various expiring Laws.

[14th August 1885.]

WHEREAS the several Acts mentioned in column one of the schedule to this Act are, to the extent specified in column two of that schedule, limited to expire on the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five:

And whereas it is expedient to provide for the continuance as in this Act mentioned of such Acts, and of the enactments amending the same:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen'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:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1885.

Continuance of Acts in schedule.

2. The Acts mentioned in column one of the schedule to this Act, in so far as they are temporary in their duration, shall, to the