Extension of qualification to be elected on county or borough councils. 45 & 46 Vict. c. 50.

1.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, or any other Act, any person of either sex shall be qualified to be elected and to be a councillor or alderman of a county council or of a borough council and may be nominated for election as a councillor, if that person has resided within the county or borough, as the case may be, during the whole of the twelve months preceding the election:

Provided that a woman, if elected as chairman of a county council or mayor of a borough, shall not, by virtue of holding or having held that office, be a justice of the peace.

(2) The qualification under this provision shall be alternative for, and shall not repeal or take away, any other qualification and shall not remove or affect any disqualification.

Short title and application.

2.—(1) This Act may be cited as the County and Borough Councils (Qualification) Act, 1914.

(2) This Act shall not apply to Scotland or Ireland.

CHAPTER 22.

An Act to amend the Coal Mines Act, 1911.

[7th August 1914.]

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:

Extension of s. 11 of 1 & 2 Geo. v. c. 50 to owners and agents.

1. Section eleven of the Coal Mines Act, 1911, which relates to inquiries into the conduct of holders of certificates of competency, shall apply to any owner or agent of a mine taking part in the technical management thereof who is alleged, by reason of incompetency or gross negligence or misconduct in such management, to be unfit to continue to hold a certificate of competency.

Provisions as to offences.

2. Where, with respect to, or in consequence of, any accident in a mine, a special report is made by an inspector, or a report is made by the court appointed to hold a formal investigation, or a coroner's inquest is held, and it appears from the report, or from the proceedings at the inquest, that any of the provisions of the Coal Mines Act, 1911, or the orders or regulations made thereunder, were not being complied with at the time of the accident, summary proceedings against any person liable to be proceeded against in respect of such non-compliance may be commenced at any time within three months after the making of the report or the conclusion of the inquest.

Minor amendments.

3. The amendments specified in the second column of the Schedule to this Act, which relate to minor details, shall be made in the provisions of the Coal Mines Act, 1911, specified in the first column of that schedule.

Short title and commencement.

4. This Act may be cited as the Coal Mines Act, 1914; and the Coal Mines Regulation Acts, 1887 to 1908, the Coal Mines Act, 1911, and this Act may be cited together as the Coal Mines Acts, 1887 to 1914.

SCHEDULE.

Enactment to be amended.	Nature of Amendment.
The Coal Mines Act, 1911:	
s. 42 (2)	For the words "before the passing of this Act" there shall be substituted the words "before the commencement of this Act."
s. 70	For the words "steam-engine room" there shall be substituted the words "engine room."
s. 114	After the words "under this Act may be" there shall be inserted the words "made or granted and."

CHAPTER 23.

An Act to continue various Expiring Laws.

[7th August 1914.]

WHEREAS the Acts mentioned in the schedule to this Act are, in so far as they are in force and are temporary in their duration, limited to expire, as respects the Acts mentioned in Part I. of that schedule, on the thirty-first day of December nineteen hundred and fourteen, and, as respects the Acts mentioned in Part II. of that schedule, on the thirty-first day of March nineteen hundred and fifteen, and as respects the Act mentioned in Part III. of that schedule on the twenty-eighth day of March nineteen hundred and fifteen:

And whereas section forty-two of the National Insurance Act, 1911, mentioned in Part IV. of the schedule to this Act, is limited to expire on the first day of January nineteen hundred and fifteen, and the powers of the Insurance Commissioners under section seventy-eight of that Act, as amended by the National Insurance Act, 1913, are limited to expire on the thirty-first day of December nineteen hundred and fourteen: