4. This Act shall not invalidate the confirmation, allowance, or approval of any byelaw, rule, or regulation confirmed, allowed, or approved prior to the passing of this Act, nor shall this Act apply to any byelaw made or to be made under any of the incorporated enactments by reason of the incorporation thereof with any Local Act, if such byelaw has or will come into force without any confirmation, allowance, or approval, or if by the express provisions of the Local Act and without reference to the provisions with respect to confirmation, allowance, or approval of byelaws in any of the incorporated Acts, such byelaw is required to be confirmed, allowed, or approved otherwise than by the confirming authority. Saving clause.

CHAPTER 13.

An Act to amend the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878. [19th May 1884.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, in this Act referred to as the principal Act: 41 & 42 Vict. c. 74.

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:

1. For the purpose of preventing the introduction into the United Kingdom of the infection of foot and mouth disease, the Privy Council may from time to time by general or special order prohibit, whenever they deem it expedient so to do, the landing of animals from any foreign country or countries or any specified part thereof, and they shall prohibit such landing whenever they are not satisfied with respect to any foreign country, or any specified part thereof, that having regard to the sanitary condition of the animals therein, or imported therefrom, to the laws made by such country for the regulation of the importation and exportation of animals, and for the prevention of the introduction or spreading of disease, and to the administration of such laws, the circumstances are such as to afford reasonable security against the importation therefrom of animals affected with foot and mouth disease. Power to Privy Council to prohibit landing of foreign animals in certain cases.

2. The provisions relating to quarantine contained in Part II. of the fifth schedule annexed to the principal Act shall apply to animals brought from foreign countries from which the importation of animals is for the time being prohibited. Extension of provisions relating to quarantine.

3. The Privy Council may, if they think fit, exercise the powers vested in them under Part IV. of the said fifth schedule, so far as relates to the admission of animals without being subject to slaughter, in relation to any specified part of a foreign country in the same manner as in relation to the whole of a foreign country, subject to such regulations as to the route by which the animals are conveyed to this country, quarantine, or otherwise as Amendment of 41 & 42 Vict. c. 74. Sch. V., Pt. 4.

the Privy Council may from time to time by general or special order direct.

Additional power to Privy Council. 41 & 42 Vict. c. 74.

4. In addition to the powers conferred on the Privy Council by the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, the Privy Council may make such orders as they think fit for prohibiting the conveyance of animals by any specified vessel to or from any port in the United Kingdom for such time as they may consider expedient.

Orders to be laid before Parliament.

5. Any order made in pursuance of this Act shall forthwith after the making thereof, if Parliament is then sitting, and if it is not sitting then forthwith after the next meeting of Parliament, be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

Construction of Act and short title.

6. This Act, so far as is consistent with the tenour thereof, shall be construed as one with the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, and shall apply to Ireland with the modifications and subject to the provisions contained in Part IV. of the principal Act, and this Act and the principal Act may be cited together as the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 and 1884, and this Act may be cited separately as the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1884.

CHAPTER 14.

An Act to amend the sixteenth section of the Married Women's Property Act, 1882. [23rd June 1884.]

45 & 46 Vict. c. 75.

WHEREAS by section sixteen of the Married Women's Property Act, 1882, a wife is, under the circumstances therein mentioned, declared to be liable to criminal proceedings by her husband, and a doubt has arisen as to whether the husband is admissible as a witness against his wife in such criminal proceedings, while section twelve of the same Act declares that in any proceeding under that section a husband or wife shall be competent to give evidence against each other; and it is desirable that the said doubt should be removed, and the said Act otherwise amended:

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:

Husband or wife competent witness in criminal proceedings under 45 & 46 Vict. c. 75.

1. In any such criminal proceeding against a husband or a wife as is authorised by the Married Women's Property Act, 1882, the husband and wife respectively shall be competent and admissible witnesses, and, except when defendant, compellable to give evidence.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the Married Women's Property Act, 1884, and this Act and the Married Women's Property Act, 1882, may be cited together as the Married Women's Property Acts, 1882 and 1884.