(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in force until revoked by the Postmaster-General with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or superseded by regulations made under this Act.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

extent in column two of the said schedule mentioned, be continued until the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, and any unrepealed enactments amending or affecting the enactments continued by this Act shall, in so far as they are temporary in their duration, be continued in like manner.

SCHEDULE.

1. Original Acts.	2. How far continued.	3. Amending Acts.
(1) 5 & 6 Will. 4. c. 27. Linen, Hempen, Cotton, and other Manufactures (Ireland).	The whole Act so far as it is not repealed.	3 & 4 Vict. c. 91. 5 & 6 Vict. c. 68. 7 & 8 Vict. c. 47. 30 & 31 Vict. c. 60.
(2) 3 & 4 Vict. c. 89. Poor Rates, Stock in Trade Exemption.	The whole Act.	——
(3) 4 & 5 Vict. c. 30. Survey of Great Britain.	The whole Act so far as it is not repealed.	33 Vict. c. 13.
(4) 4 & 5 Vict. c. 35. Copyhold, Inclosure, and Tithe Commissioners (now Land Commissioners).	So much as relates to the appointment of and the period for holding office by Land Commissioners and other officers.	14 & 15 Vict. c. 53. 25 & 26 Vict. c. 73. 45 & 46 Vict. c. 38. s. 48.
(5) 4 & 5 Vict. c. 59. Application of Highway Rates to Turnpike Roads.	The whole Act.	——
(6) 10 & 11 Vict. c. 98. Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.	As to provisions continued by 21 & 22 Vict. c. 50.	——
(7) 11 & 12 Vict. c. 32. County Cess (Ireland).	The whole Act - - -	20 & 21 Vict. c. 7.
(8) 14 & 15 Vict. c. 104. Episcopal and Capitular Estates Management.	The whole Act so far as it is not repealed.	17 & 18 Vict. c. 116. 21 & 22 Vict. c. 94. 22 & 23 Vict. c. 46. 23 & 24 Vict. c. 124. 31 & 32 Vict. c. 114. s. 10.
(9) 17 & 18 Vict. c. 102. Corrupt Practices Prevention.	So much as is continued by the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act, 1883.	26 & 27 Vict. c. 29. s. 6. 31 & 32 Vict. c. 125. 46 & 47 Vict. c. 51.
(10) 23 & 24 Vict. c. 19. Dwellings for Labouring Classes (Ireland).	The whole Act.	——
(11) 24 & 25 Vict. c. 109. Salmon Fishery (England).	As to appointment of inspectors, s. 31.	——

1. Original Acts.	2. How far continued.	3. Amending Acts.
(12) 26 & 27 Vict. c. 105. Promissory Notes.	The whole Act - - -	45 & 46 Vict. c. 61.
(13) 27 & 28 Vict. c. 20. Promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange (Ireland).	The whole Act.	—
(14) 28 & 29 Vict. c. 46. Militia Ballots Suspension.	The whole Act.	—
(15) 28 & 29 Vict. c. 83. Locomotives on Roads.	The whole Act so far as it is not repealed.	41 & 42 Vict. c. 58. 41 & 42 Vict. c. 77. (Part II.)
(16) 29 & 30 Vict. c. 52. Prosecution Expenses.	The whole Act.	—
(17) 31 & 32 Vict. c. 125. Parliamentary Elections.	So much as is continued by the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act, 1883.	42 & 43 Vict. c. 75. 46 & 47 Vict. c. 51.
(18) 32 & 33 Vict. c. 21. Election Commissioners Expenses.	The whole Act - - -	34 & 35 Vict. c. 61.
(19) 32 & 33 Vict. c. 56. Endowed Schools (Schemes).	As to the powers of making schemes, and as to the payment of the salaries of additional Charity Commissioners and additional secretary.	36 & 37 Vict. c. 87. 37 & 38 Vict. c. 87.
(20) 34 & 35 Vict. c. 87. Sunday Observance Prosecutions.	The whole Act.	—
(21) 35 & 36 Vict. c. 33. Parliamentary and Municipal Elections (Ballot).	The whole Act so far as it is not repealed.	45 & 46 Vict. c. 50. (Municipal Elections.)
(22) 36 & 37 Vict. c. 48. Regulation of Railways.	The whole Act - - -	37 & 38 Vict. c. 40. (Part II.)
(23) 38 & 39 Vict. c. 48. Police Expenses.	The whole Act.	—
(24) 38 & 39 Vict. c. 84. Returning Officers Expenses.	The whole Act - - -	46 & 47 Vict. c. 51. s. 32.
(25) 39 & 40 Vict. c. 21. Juries (Ireland).	The whole Act.	—

1. Original Acts.	2. How far continued.	3. Amending Acts.
(26) 41 & 42 Vict. c. 41. Returning Officers Expenses (Scotland).	The whole Act.	——
(27) 41 & 42 Vict. c. 72. Sale of Liquors on Sunday (Ireland).	The whole Act.	——
(28) 43 Vict. c. 18. Parliamentary Elections.	The whole Act so far as it is not repealed.	——
(29) 46 & 47 Vict. c. 35. Diseases Prevention, Metropolis.	The whole Act - - -	47 & 48 Vict. c. 60.
(30) 46 & 47 Vict. c. 51. Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention.	The whole Act.	——

CHAPTER 60.

An Act to constitute a Federal Council of Australasia.

[14th August 1885.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to constitute a Federal Council of Australasia, for the purpose of dealing with such matters of common Australasian interest, in respect to which united action is desirable, as can be dealt with without unduly interfering with the management of the internal affairs of the several colonies by their respective legislatures:

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:

Definitions.

1. In this Act, unless the context otherwise require, the following terms shall bear the meanings set opposite to them respectively:—

"Colonies."—The colonies (including their respective dependencies) of Fiji, New Zealand, New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Victoria, and Western Australia, and the province of South Australia, and any other colonies that may hereafter be created in Australasia, or those of the said colonies in respect to which this Act is in operation:

"Crown Colony."—Any colony in which the control of public officers is retained by Her Majesty's Imperial Government:

"Her Majesty's possessions in Australasia."—The colonies and such other territories as Her Majesty may from time to time declare by Order in Council to be within the operation of this Act:

"Council."—The Federal Council as hereby constituted: