present rights with respect to coals.

and the mayor, commonalty, and citizens of the said city shall not at any time exercise any right of measuring or weighing coals or any other rights with respect to coals to which he or they is, are, or may be entitled by prescription or by any charters and Acts of Parliament, or otherwise, or to demand, collect, receive, or take any metage, impositions, duties, rates, or sums in respect of any coals, culm, or cinders imported or brought into the Port of London or brought within the limits of the metropolitan police district as defined by Act of Parliament, including the Cities of London and Westminster, by any mode of conveyance:

Provided always, that the duty of fourpence per ton on coals, culm, and cinders continued to the said Corporation, under the style of the Mayor, aldermen, and commons of the city of London, by section two of the before-recited Act of 1868 shall continue until the fifth day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety, but shall be applied by the said Corporation towards discharging the moneys borrowed and now remaining unpaid in respect of the completion of the Holborn Valley improvements, particularly referred to in the said section. Provided also that the statutory provisions with respect to collection, returns, certificates, accounts, and drawback contained in or continued by the said Act in regard to the duties therein mentioned shall apply to the duty hereby continued, except that the allowance of drawback shall be limited to the sum of fourpence per ton. And provided also that an account of the receipt and application of the said duty shall be kept separate and distinct from the accounts of the said Corporation, and that an abstract of the said accuont be yearly laid by the Chamberlain of the City of London before both Houses of Parliament.

Application of surplus.

2. Any surplus or sums that may remain after discharging the pecuniary obligations imposed by any of the above-recited Acts, viz.: the Kew and other Bridges Act, 1869, and the Kew and other Bridges, 1869, (Amendment) Act, 1874, and any surplus accrued or accruing from the one penny per ton drawback allowance under the above-recited Act, intituled the Coal Duties Act, 1851, shall be applicable and be applied by the Corporation in discharging as far as may be the capital sum now due and owing by the said Corporation on the said Holborn Viaduct improvement and approaches.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as the London Coal Duties Abolition Act, 1889.

CHAPTER 18.

An Act to suppress Indecent Advertisements.

[26th July 1889.]

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. This Act may be cited as the Indecent Advertisements Act, 1889. Short title.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety. Commencement of Act.

3. Whoever affixes to or inscribes on any house, building, wall, hoarding, gate, fence, pillar, post, board, tree, or any other thing whatsoever so as to be visible to a person being in or passing along any street, public highway, or footpath, and whoever affixes to or inscribes on any public urinal, or delivers or attempts to deliver, or exhibits, to any inhabitant or to any person being in or passing along any street, public highway, or footpath, or throws down the area of any house, or exhibits to public view in the window of any house or shop, any picture or printed or written matter which is of an indecent or obscene nature, shall, on summary conviction in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts, be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings, or, in the discretion of the Court, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one month, with or without hard labour. Summary proceedings against persons affixing, &c. indecent or obscene pictures or printed or written matter.

4. Whoever gives or delivers to any other person any such pictures, or printed or written matter mentioned in section three of this Act, with the intent that the same, or some one or more thereof, should be affixed, inscribed, delivered, or exhibited as therein mentioned, shall, on conviction in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts, be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, or, in the discretion of the Court, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding three months, with or without hard labour. Summary proceedings against persons sending others to do the acts punishable under s. 3.

5. Any advertisement relating to syphilis, gonorrhœa, nervous debility, or other complaint or infirmity arising from or relating to sexual intercourse, shall be deemed to be printed or written matter of an indecent nature within the meaning of section three of this Act, if such advertisement is affixed to or inscribed on any house, building, wall, hoarding, gate, fence, pillar, post, board, tree, or other thing whatsoever, so as to be visible to a person being in or passing along any street, public highway, or footpath, or is affixed to or inscribed on any public urinal, or is delivered or attempted to be delivered to any person being in or passing along any street, public highway, or footpath. Certain advertisements declared indecent.

6. Any constable or other peace officer may arrest without warrant any person whom he shall find committing any offence against this Act. Constable may arrest on view of offence.

7. In this Act the expression "Summary Jurisdiction Acts"— Interpretation.

In England means the Summary Jurisdiction (English) Acts within the meaning of the Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879; 42 & 43 Vict. c. 49.

In Scotland means the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Acts, 1864 and 1881, and any Acts amending the same; and 27 & 28 Vict. c. 53. 44 & 45 Vict. c. 33.

In Ireland means within the police district of Dublin metropolis the Acts regulating the powers and duties of justices of the

peace for such district or of the police of such district, and elsewhere in Ireland the Petty Sessions (Ireland) Act, 1851, and any Act amending the same.

14 & 15 Vict. c. 93.

CHAPTER 19.

An Act to extend the Time for the Preparation of the Registers of County Electors in England and Wales.

[26th July 1889.]

WHEREAS it is provided by the Registration of Electors Acts, 1843 to 1888, that the county registers, that is to say, the registers of the names of county electors and burgesses, shall be completed on or before the twentieth day of October in each year, and shall come into operation on the first day of November following:

And whereas it is expedient to make temporary provision for extending the time allowed for the preparation and printing of such registers:

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:

Alteration of dates for completing registers of county electors in 1889 and 1890.

1.—(1.) In each of the years one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine and one thousand eight hundred and ninety, notwithstanding anything in the Registration of Electors Acts, 1843 to 1888, contained, the revision of the lists of parliamentary voters and county electors may be later than the twelfth day of October, so that it be not later than the twentieth day of October, and every county register shall be completed on or before the thirtieth day of November, and shall come into operation on the first day of January following, and shall continue in operation until the next county register comes into operation.

45 & 46 Vict. c. 50.

(2.) Sub-section two of section forty-five of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, shall not apply to any register of county electors completed in either of the said years.

(3.) Provided that nothing in this Act shall alter the dates for the completion and coming into operation of the burgess roll for any municipal borough; and any new burgess roll for a borough, which comes into operation on the first day of November in either of the said years, shall be substituted in the then current county register for so much of that register as consists of the burgess roll for that borough.

Short title and construction.

2. This Act may be cited as the Registration of County Electors (Extension of Time) Act, 1889, and shall be construed as one with the Registration of Electors Acts, 1843 to 1888.