the passing of this Act agreed, or hereafter agree, to such reference, be referred to the Railway and Canal Commission, and that Commission shall determine the same.

Procedure of Commission.

2. All proceedings relating to any difference directed to be determined by the Railway and Canal Commission under this Act shall be conducted by the Commission in the same manner as any other proceeding is conducted by them under the Railway and Canal Traffic Acts, 1873 and 1888, or any Act amending the same, and any order of the Commission on any such difference or question shall be enforceable as any other order of the Commission: Provided—

(1) that any matter of difference or any question arising before the Commission under this Act may, in the discretion of the Commission and with the consent of the parties, be heard and determined by the two appointed Commissioners, whose order shall be deemed to be the order of the Commission; and

(2) that the costs of every proceeding before the Commission shall be in the discretion of the Commission.

Saving.

3. Nothing in this Act shall restrict or prejudice the operation of any provision of the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1908, or of any other Act by which any difference is referred to the Railway and Canal Commission.

Short title.

4. This Act may be cited as the Telegraph (Arbitration) Act, 1909, and may be cited with the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1908.

CHAPTER 21.

An Act to protect the interests of Handloom Weavers and for other purposes in connection therewith.

[20th October 1909.]

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:

Trademark to be woven on certain linen goods.

1.—(1) Every person who weaves in a handloom in Ireland any linen damask table cloth or napkin, or any piece of linen damask goods, shall weave in the selvedge or hem thereof the words "Irish hand-woven linen damask."

(2) Every person who weaves in a handloom in Ireland any piece of cambric or linen diaper goods shall, as soon as the piece is woven, stamp or print, or cause to be stamped or printed, thereon the words "Irish hand-woven" in legible character.

(3) Any person weaving in a handloom in Ireland any linen damask table cloth or napkin, or any piece of linen damask goods, or cambric or linen diaper goods, who fails or neglects to

carry out the requirements of this section shall be guilty of an offence under this Act.

(4) If any manufacturer, agent, or other person causes or procures any person to weave in a handloom in Ireland any linen damask table cloth or napkin, or any piece of linen damask goods, or cambric or linen diaper goods, otherwise than in accordance with the requirements of this section, he shall be guilty of an offence under this Act.

Sale of goods bearing false trademark.

2. Any person selling or exposing for sale any goods being or purporting to be linen damask goods or cambric or linen diaper goods having woven thereon or stamped or marked thereon the words "Irish hand-woven" or "Irish hand-made," or other words representing that the goods were woven in a handloom in Ireland, shall, unless the goods were in fact so woven, be guilty of an offence under this Act.

Offences and penalties.

3.—(1) Offences under this Act may be prosecuted, and penalties recoverable under this Act may be recovered, in a summary manner.

(2) Any person guilty of an offence under this Act shall be liable on conviction for the first offence to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds, and for the second or any subsequent offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months.

Short title.

4. This Act may be cited as the Irish Handloom Weavers Act, 1909, and shall come into operation on the first day of January nineteen hundred and ten.

CHAPTER 22.

An Act to provide for the establishment of Trade Boards for certain Trades. [20th October 1909.]

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:

Establishment of Trade Boards for Trades to which the Act applies.

Application of Act to certain trades.

1.—(1) This Act shall apply to the trades specified in the schedule to this Act and to any other trades to which it has been applied by Provisional Order of the Board of Trade made under this section.

(2) The Board of Trade may make a Provisional Order applying this Act to any specified trade to which it does not at the time apply if they are satisfied that the rate of wages prevailing in any branch of the trade is exceptionally low, as