" shall be eighteen " is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof there shall be substituted the words " where the population is between " fifty thousand and one hundred thousand the number shall be " from eighteen to twenty-four."

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, Amendment Act, 1894.

CHAPTER 19.

An Act for enabling the Board of Agriculture to undertake Prosecutions in certain cases under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1887. [20th July 1894.]

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:

Power of Board of Agriculture to prosecute in certain cases. 54 & 55 Vict. c. 15. 50 & 51 Vict. c. 28.

1. The powers exerciseable by the Board of Trade under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1891, with respect to the prosecution of offences under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1887, may in cases which appear to the Board of Agriculture to relate to agricultural or horticultural produce be exercised by that Board, and in such cases the former Act shall apply as if the Board of Agriculture were referred to therein instead of the Board of Trade.

Extent of Act.

2. This Act shall not extend to Ireland.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as the Merchandise Marks (Prosecutions) Act, 1894, and shall be read with the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 and 1891.

CHAPTER 20.

An Act to amend the Public Libraries Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1887. [20th July 1894.]

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:

Short title and construction. 50 & 51 Vict. c. 42.

1. This Act may be cited as the Public Libraries (Scotland) Act, 1894, and shall be construed as one with the Public Libraries Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1887 (in this Act referred to as the principal Act), and these two Acts may be together cited as the Public Libraries (Scotland) Acts, 1887 and 1894.

Modification as to adoption of principal Act in burghs.

2.—(1.) In burghs the principal Act may be adopted by a resolution of the magistrates and council of the burgh, and such resolution shall be substituted for a determination of the householders of the burgh in any case where such determination is required under the principal Act.

(2.) Sections four, five, and six of the principal Act are hereby repealed, so far as they relate to burghs.

Provision as to resolution of magistrates and council of burgh for adoption.

3.—(1.) A resolution under this Act shall be passed at a meeting of the magistrates and council, and one month at least before such meeting special notice thereof and of the intention to propose such resolution shall be given to every person included in the collective expression "magistrates and council," either—

(*a*) in the mode in which notices to attend meetings of the magistrates and council are usually given; or, in the option of the chief magistrate,

(*b*) by forwarding a notice by post in a prepaid letter addressed to the usual or last-known place of abode of every person entitled to notice under this section.

(2.) The resolution shall, after the passing thereof, be published at least once by advertisement in one or more newspapers circulating in the burgh, and shall come into operation at a time to be fixed in the resolution itself, being not less than one month after the publication or first publication of the advertisement thereof herein-before provided.

(3.) A copy of the newspaper or newspapers containing the advertisement shall be conclusive evidence of the resolution having been passed unless the contrary be shown; and no objection to the effect of the resolution on the ground that notice of the intention to propose the same was not duly given, or on the ground that the resolution was not sufficiently published, shall be made after three months from the publication or first publication of the advertisement.

CHAPTER 21.

An Act to amend the Bishopric of Bristol Act, 1884.

[20th July 1894.]

47 & 48 Vict. c. 66.

WHEREAS by the Bishopric of Bristol Act, 1884, provision was made for the disunion of the sees of Gloucester and Bristol, and for the constitution of a separate Bishopric of Bristol, and it was thereby, amongst other things, provided that, subject as therein mentioned, there should be transferred to the endowment fund of the Bishopric of Bristol such portion of the endowment or income of the Bishopric of Gloucester as would, if no deduction were made as therein mentioned, yield a net annual sum of five hundred pounds: