

through or along the walls and floors of buildings, to restrict, under conditions, the use of or provide for the removal of existing chimneys or flues, and to provide for the inspection, periodic or otherwise, of chimneys and flues.

26. To compel fireplace openings to be fireproof and to require the stopping up of unused fireplaces and chimneys with incombustible material, and to prohibit the erection of a stove, oven, or steam boiler on a wooden floor.

27. To provide for the proper support of stairs, and the maintenance thereof free from obstruction, the position and effectual separation of dwelling-houses or habitable rooms over or from buildings used for noxious or dangerous businesses, and the isolation thereof by fireproof walls and staircases from such buildings.

28. To define public buildings and to prescribe the accommodation, dimensions, design, and conditions of erection of theatres and public buildings, the equipment thereof with fireproof walls and roofs, the character and number of stairs, accesses, and exits; to provide for the proper inspection of public buildings, and to empower the Dean of Guild to restrict the use of public buildings contrary to the provisions of the Order, and impose penalties in respect thereof.

29. To make special provision in regard to the cubic contents of dwelling-houses, the heights of ceilings, the size, number, position, and nature of rooms and windows, the number of storeys, enclosed beds or bed recesses, the number of houses in a tenement, common stairs and party walls in tenements, additions to and alterations of buildings, the conditions (if any) under which houses may be built or inhabited over dangerous buildings, or workrooms used above large warehouses or on upper floors, means of escape at top of high buildings, installation of electric light, and satisfaction of the requirements of the Factory Acts.

30. To provide for the removal or restoration of dilapidated and neglected buildings, the making of orders in regard thereto, and appeal against such orders by persons aggrieved, the removal and disposal of the materials of such buildings and recoupment of expenses incurred in regard thereto by the Corporation.

31. To prescribe the dimensions, design, conditions of erection, construction, position, and strength of platforms, scaffolding, balconies, hoardings, and barricades; to authorise the removal and taking down of any such erected contrary to the provisions of the Order, to invest the Dean of Guild with increased powers in regard thereto, and to provide for the reimbursement to the Corporation of any expenses incurred in respect thereof.

32. To prohibit stone dressing or similar work in enclosed or barricaded portions of streets, and of carts, &c., standing within or near hoardings or barricades.

33. To make provision as to evidence of resolutions of the Corporation, and as to petitions for lining being depending processes, and to provide for the continuance of obligations attaching under orders of the Dean of Guild.

34. To make provision as to expenses of the Corporation incurred under the Order and the recovery thereof, and to constitute the cost of works done by the Corporation on the failure of a person liable to do such works, and of penalties and expenses, a real and preferable

lien and burden on lands and heritages in connection with which such costs, penalties, and expenses are incurred; to provide for the giving of notices, and the testing and inspection of buildings; to prohibit the use of buildings before the same are certified as fit for occupation; to prescribe the testing strengths, and to enable the master of works to prevent and stop infringements of the provisions of the Order.

35. To enable the Corporation to make and enforce bye-laws, rules, and regulations in connection with all or any of the provisions of the Order, and to provide for the confirmation thereof; to provide for the imposition and recovery of penalties in respect of an infringement of any such bye-law, rule, or regulation, or any of the provisions of the Order.

36. To confer further powers upon the Corporation in regard to the more effectual suppression of betting and gaming in the streets of the burgh, and the apprehension of and infliction and recovery of penalties on and from persons so offending.

37. To make provision for the regulation and control of manufacturers or dealers in ice-cream or similar commodities, and of all shops, premises, and utensils, or other articles used for the manufacture or sale thereof, and to provide that in their application within the burgh the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, and the Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order, 1885, and any alteration or amendment of that Act or Order, shall be applicable to and include such manufacturers or dealers and such premises, as if these were respectively included in the terms "purveyor of milk" and "milk store" or "milkshop," as used in that Order, and to make other provisions relating thereto.

38. To provide for the regulation and control of persons buying, selling, and receiving old metal and second-hand goods; to incorporate certain provisions of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892; to empower the Corporation to make further regulations in regard to vehicles plying for hire and licensed porters; to amend section 12 of the Greenock Corporation Act, 1893; to extend the jurisdiction of the magistrates to the trial of offenders for cruelty to children, and exempt clubs from the provisions relating to shebeens; to repeal wholly or in part sections 132 and 165 of the Greenock Police Act, 1877, and to provide for the infliction and recovery of penalties in respect of some or all of the foregoing provisions.

39. To extend and define the limits within which the Corporation are authorised to supply electricity, and to authorise the Corporation to exercise within such extended area all or any of the powers at present vested in the Corporation for the supply of electricity within their present area of supply.

40. To authorise the Corporation to agree with any owner to affix on or in any house within the limits which they are or may be authorised to supply electricity the necessary wires and fittings for electric lighting or power, on such terms and conditions as may be agreed on or as may be prescribed in the Order.

41. To authorise the Corporation, for the prevention of pollution, for the protection of their waterworks, and for other purposes, to acquire by agreement and to confirm any agreements for that purpose that have been made or may be made before the passing of the intended