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New clauses.

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 - (a.) By omitting the word "six" wherever it occurs, and substituting the word "eight"; and

(b.) By adding thereto the following :----

"Provided that in the case of a mine the workings of which are of an opencast nature, and in which ten men or less are employed, the mine-manager, if not the holder of a certificate, shall be the holder of a permit from the Inspector."

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"(1A.) Every miner shall be allowed at least thirty minutes out 30 of every working-day of eight hours for crib-time."

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Underviewers, firemen, and deputies.

6. Subsection one of section one hundred and one of the principal Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted in lieu thereof :---

"(1.) No person shall be appointed to the position of underviewer or fireman and deputy unless he has had five years' experience in $\mathbf{5}$ underground workings in a coal-mine and has passed an examination by one or more members of the Board of Examiners and an Inspector of Mines.

"(2.) All persons who for a period of twelve months immediately before the commencement of this Act have held the position of 10 underviewer or fireman and deputy may, on application to the Board of Examiners before the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and nine, and after recommendation by an Inspector of Mines, be granted a certificate of service as underviewer or as fireman and deputy, as the case may be." 15

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