TASMANIA.



1905.

ANNO QUINTO

VII. **EDWARDI** REGIS,

No. 18.

AN ACT to amend "The Ross Water Act, A.D. 1905. 1895." [1 November, 1905.]

W HEREAS the Trustees of the Ross Water District are empowered, PREAMBLE. by virtue of the provisions of "The Ross Water Act, 1895," to borrow the sum of One thousand Pounds for the purpose of carrying out the objects of that Act under "The Local Public Works Loans Act, 1890":

And whereas it is found that the said sum is insufficient, and that it is necessary to borrow a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred Pounds in the whole:

And whereas the said sum of One thousand Pounds which the said Trustees are authorised to borrow has not yet been borrowed:

Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1 This Act may be cited as "The Ross Water Act Amendment Short title. Act, 1905"; and this Act and "The Ross Water Act, 1895" (in this 59 Vict. No. 54. Act referred to as the Principal Act), shall be read together.

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A.D. 1905.

Amendment of Section 44 of the Principal Act.

2 Section Forty-four of the Principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the words "One Shilling" in line Two, and inserting instead the words "Two Shillings in the Pound;" and by adding at the end of the Section the following proviso, namely:-" Provided that the Water Rate payable in respect of any house or dwelling within the Water District shall in no case be less than Fifteen Shillings."

Repeal and reenactment of Section 52 of the Principal Act. Power to borrow money.

3 Section Fifty-two of the Principal Act is hereby repealed, and the following Section is substituted in lieu thereof, and may be cited as Section Fifty-two of the Principal Act:—

Governor in Council may grant Loan under 54 Vict. No. 30.

- "52 It shall be lawful for the Trustees to borrow as herein provided any sum or sums of money not exceeding in the whole One thousand five hundred Pounds for the purpose of defraying the cost and expense of making, constructing, establishing, repairing, carrying on, and managing any waterworks under the authority of this Act, or the payment of any such compensation as aforesaid, or any other expense incident to the effectuating the objects or the preparation and passing of this Act, and it shall be lawful for the Governor to grant, in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Public Works Loans Act, 1890," any sum or sums of money, not exceeding in the whole the sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds, as a Loan or Loans to the said Trustees for the purpose aforesaid, and such sum or sums of money shall be defrayed out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for that purpose.
- "Provided that it shall not be necessary to lay before either House of Parliament plans and specifications of any such proposed works, nor the Report of the Engineer-in-Chief thereon, as provided in Section Two of the last-mentioned Act; but before any part of the said sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds shall be advanced to the Trustees, plans and specifications of the proposed works, together with a report by the Engineer-in-Chief upon the necessity of such works and probable cost thereof, the sufficiency of the plans and specifications, and upon such other matters connected with the works as the Engineer-in-Chief may deem it desirable to refer to in the said report, and that the works can be completed for the amount proposed to be borrowed, shall be submitted to and approved by the Governor.

Repeal and re-VI. of the Principal Act.

4 Part VI. of the Principal Act is hereby repealed, and the followenactment of Part ing provisions are substituted in lieu thereof, and may be cited as Part VI. of the Principal Act:—

"PART VI.

Poll to be taken before moneys borrowed.

"54 The Trustees shall not proceed in the matter of borrowing any sum of money under the authority of Part V. of this Act until and after a Poll has been taken of the owners and occupiers of property within the Water District for the purpose of ascertaining whether the Trustees shall be permitted to proceed in the matter of borrowing such moneys. If at the taking of such Poll a less number than Two-thirds of the votes then recorded shall be in favour of the Trustees proceeding to borrow any sum of money under Part V. of this Act, the Trustees

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shall not proceed to borrow any such money: Provided that in the event of there not being the necessary number of votes recorded at such Poll in favour of the Trustees borrowing such money, the Trustees may, at any time after the expiration of Six months, cause another Poll of such owners and occupiers to be taken, and if at any such subsequent Poll the necessary number of votes is obtained, the Trustees may proceed to borrow such money.

- "55 When the Trustees shall decide to take a Poll of the owners Notice of Polland occupiers as aforesaid, they shall cause an advertisement of such Poll to be inserted not less than Twice in a daily newspaper circulating in the District, and in One number of the *Hobart Gazette*, and such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—
 - "1. The time and place of such Poll.
 - "2. The works proposed to be constructed or performed by the Trustees.
 - "3. The estimated cost of such works."

"56 Subject to the foregoing provision, upon the taking of any Method of Poll as aforesaid, all proceedings shall be had and taken as nearly as may be as upon an election of Councillors of a Rural Municipality, as the case may require, and every person who desires to vote shall be entitled to as many votes as the number of votes to which such person appears by the Assessment Roll (so far as it relates to the Water District) to be entitled on the same scale of voting as applies to Rural Municipalities, and the Ballot-papers to be used in the taking of every such Poll shall be in the form set forth in the following Schedule:—

"SCHEDULE.

"BALLOT-PAPER.

"FOR.

"AGAINST.

"If you are in favour of the proposed Loan you will strike out the word "Against," and if you are opposed to the proposed Loan you will strike out the word "For."

