Act No. 28, 1902.

An Act to amend the Drainage Promotion Act of 1901. [15th August, 1902.]

DRAINAGE PROMOTION ACT AMENDMENT.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Drainage Promotion Act Short title. Amendment Act, 1902," and this Act and the Drainage Promotion Act, 1901 (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), shall be construed and read together as one Act.

2. If any person rated under the provisions of the Principal Act Recovery of rates. fails to pay any rate due from him for the space of thirty days after demand thereof made in writing, signed by the chairman or any director for the time being of any drainage union, or by a collector duly authorised in that behalf by any drainage union, or after publication

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publication in some newspaper circulating in the neighbourhood of a notice requiring such payment to be made, any such drainage union may at their discretion withhold or abandon proceedings by distress and sale, as provided in section fifteen of the Principal Act, and may, after default as aforesaid or in the absence of any or a sufficient distress, recover the amount of rates due from the person rated for the same in a summary way before any two justices, according to the provisions of the Act fourteen Victoria number forty-three and the Imperial Statutes thereby adopted, and the same when recovered shall be paid over to the drainage union interested towards its revenues: Provided that notwithstanding the provisions contained in the Principal Act every member of the said drainage union, whose rates are fully paid, shall be entitled to vote at any election of the board of directors of such union.

Legal proceedings may be taken by chairman of, or officer appointed by, any drainage union. 3. All complaints or other legal proceedings for the recovery of any rates as aforesaid, or for any non-compliance with or any breach of this Act or of the Principal Act, or of any by-laws made under the authority of the Principal Act, may be laid and taken by the chairman of, or any other officer appointed by, any drainage union in that behalf, and any such chairman or officer may appear and represent any drainage union at the hearing of such complaints or other legal proceedings.