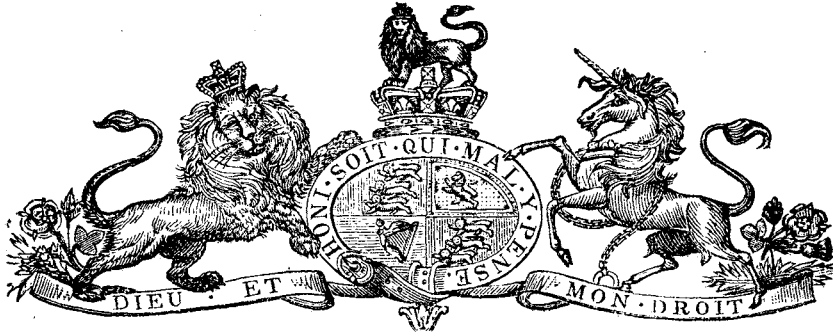


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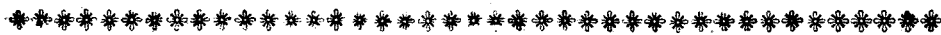


1898.

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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 40.



AN ACT to amend "The Department of Agriculture Act, 1897." [29 October, 1898.] A.D. 1898.

BE it 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 Department of Agriculture Act, 1898." Short title.

2 In this Act, the expression "the said Act" shall mean "The Department of Agriculture Act, 1897." Interpretation.

3 Section Four of the said Act, so far as it relates to the interpretation of the expression "Branch Boards," is hereby repealed; and in construing the said Act the expression "Branch Boards" shall have the following meaning, that is to say:— Definition of Branch Boards.

"Branch Boards" shall mean Boards of Agriculture of not less than Eight Members, which Boards have been appointed under "The Council of Agriculture Act" or "The Department of Agriculture Act, 1897," or which shall hereafter be appointed by the Council, and having the names of their Members duly entered in the Branch Boards Register of the Council, and such Members shall be eligible to vote at any election to be held under the said Act in such manner as may be defined by Regulations prescribed by the Governor in Council. 55 Vict. No. 43. 61 Vict. No. 7.

*Department of Agriculture.*

A.D. 1898.

Substituted for  
Sect. 6 of  
61 Vict. No. 7.Method of  
electing the  
Council.

**4** Section Six of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be and be deemed to be and may be cited as Section Six of the said Act:—

“**6**—(1.) On or before the First day of *July* in every year, the Minister shall notify each Branch Board in every District where there is a Member to be elected that nominations will be received by him on or before the following First day of *August*, of some person who shall be a Member of some Branch Board, to represent the Branch Boards of the said District in the Council.

“(2.) Within Three days after the said First day of *August*, the Minister shall, in case there is more than one person nominated by the Branch Boards of any District as their Representative, cause a list of the persons so nominated to be forwarded to the same Boards for the purpose of electing out of such persons one to be their Representative on the Council.

“(3.) Every such nomination and election shall be made subject to the before-mentioned Regulations, at Meetings of the Branch Boards convened for that purpose, and shall be certified to the Minister in writing under the hands of the Chairmen presiding at such Meetings.”

Retirement of  
members of  
present Council.

**5** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section Seven of the said Act, Three of the members of the present Council shall retire on the First day of *August*, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and Four of the remaining members on the First day of *August*, One thousand nine hundred, and the remaining Four members on the First day of *August*, One thousand nine hundred and one; and the selection of the members who shall so retire shall be decided by lot.

Elections for  
certain extra-  
ordinary  
vacancies.

**6** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section Eight of the said Act, when an extraordinary vacancy occurs upon the happening of any of the events mentioned in Sub-sections i. and ii. of that Section more than Three months before the next annual election, the Council shall direct an election to be held in the district represented by the vacating member to fill up such vacancy, and the Council may direct (subject to any Regulations which may be made in respect of such cases) how the election shall be conducted.

Every member elected to fill any such vacancy shall hold office for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was elected.

Provided, that if the Branch Boards in such district fail to elect a member within Twenty-one days after receiving notice to do so, the Council may forthwith appoint a member as provided in the said Section.

Acts to be read  
together.

**7** This Act and the said Act, save as amended by this Act, shall be read and construed together as one and the same Act.