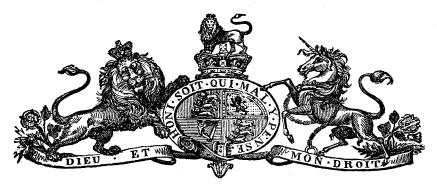
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ANNO VICESIMO-SEXTO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 14.

AN ACT to amend The Electoral Act. $\lceil 20 \ October, \ 1862. \rceil$

W HEREAS it is expedient to amend The Electoral Act: Be it PREAMBLE therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and 21 Vict. No. 32. with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:-

1 The Returning Officer of each Electoral District shall, on or before the Fourteenth day of *December* in the year 1863, and in to make out List every succeeding year, make out a List of all persons whose names appear upon any Valuation or Assessment Roll in force on the Twenty-fourth day of *November* then last past, as being the Owners or Occupiers of property of such description and value within such Electoral District as to entitle such persons to vote in respect of such Electoral District, but whose Names do not appear on the Electoral Roll in force for the District; and such List shall be deemed to form, and shall in all respects be dealt with as, part of the List of Claimants to vote under The Electoral Act.

Whenever the name of any person appears in the List of Claimants, Returning Officer or in the Copy of the Electoral Roll in force for any Electoral to object to persons District, as claiming or being entitled to vote by virtue of being the Owner or Occupier of any property within such District, then the Returning Officer of such District shall, at the proper time, write the words "Objected to" opposite the name of every such person, unless he

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appears by the Valuation or Assessment Rolls in force within such District to be the Owner or Occupier, as the case may be, of property of sufficient value within the District to entitle him to have his name inserted or continued in such Electoral Roll.

Returning Officers may inspect, &c. Valuation and Assessment Rolls.

3 The Returning Officer of each Electoral District may, for the purposes of the last preceding Section, at all reasonable times, inspect and make copies and extracts of and from all the Valuation and Assessment Rolls in force within such Electoral District, without payment of any fee for so doing; anything contained in The Property Valuation Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Notices of claims may be signed by any Two Electors.

4 From and after the passing of this Act, Notices of Claims to vote, required to be delivered or transmitted to the Returning Officers under, Sections 12 and 13 of The Electoral Act, may be signed by any two Electors whose names are on the Copy Roll for the District, stating on such Notices their place of abode and qualification, as described on such Copy Roll.

Words "objected to" and "dead" may be written upon published List of Claimants and Copy Roll.

5 Where, by this Act and The Electoral Act, the Returning Officer of any Electoral District is required to add the words "objected to" or "dead" before the name of any person appearing in the List of Claimants, or in the copy of the Electoral Roll then in force in such District, it shall be sufficient if such Returning Officer cause such words to be written, in lieu of being printed, upon the List of Claimants and of the Copy Roll published by him.

Ballot Papers marked defaced, &c., to be rejected.

6 The Returning Officer, in ascertaining the state of the Poll from the Ballot-papers taken at the several Polling Places at any Election, shall reject as invalid every Ballot-paper which is wilfully written upon, defaced, or in any way distinguished or marked otherwise than is by Law required.

Written consent of Candidate to be furnished to Returning Officer.

7 The Electors nominating any Candidate or Candidates to the Returning Officer at any Election for any Electoral District shall furnish to the Returning Officer, together with such written Nomination as is required by The Electoral Act, a statement in writing under the hand of the person or persons nominated, (if in the Colony), declaring the consent of such person or persons to become a Candidate or Candidates at such Election; and the Returning Officer shall not receive or recognise any nomination of a Candidate or Candidates in the absence of such written Declaration of consent.

Resignation of Returning Officer.

8 No person being the Returning Officer of any Electoral District shall resign his office as such after the issue of any Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in the Parliament of Tasmania for such District, until such Writ is executed and returned by such Returning Officer, unless the Governor otherwise directs.

Resignation of after issue of Writ.

9 In case the Returning Officer of any Electoral District, after Returning Officer the issue of a Writ to him for the Election of a Member to serve in the Parliament of *Tasmania* for such District, dies or becomes unable to execute such Writ, or resigns with the consent of, or is removed by, the Governor, then, and in every such case, it shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint some other fit and proper person to be Returning Officer in the place and stead of the Returning Officer who so dies, becomes incapable to act, resigns, or is removed as aforesaid; and such Writ may, so far as the same may not be already executed, be executed and returned by the Returning Officer so to be appointed as aforesaid.

10 In case any person is nominated to the Returning Officer as Publication of a Candidate for election at any Election by more than Five persons, such names of Nomi-Returning Officer shall publish the names and residences of not more nators of Candidates. than Five of the persons who so nominated such Candidate.

11 Wherever the word April occurs in Part 2 of The Electoral Words to be read Act, the same shall be read and deemed to mean November; wherever in lieu of April, in the Second Part of the said Act the words Fourth day of May occur the same shall be deemed to mean the Fourteenth day of December; wherever the words Fifth day of May occur the same shall be deemed to mean the Fifteenth day of December; wherever the words Twenty-last day of July, second day of May occur the same shall be deemed to mean the First day of January; wherever the words Twenty-sixth day of May occur the same shall be deemed to mean the First last day of August, last day of August, last day of August, last day of August, last day of May occur the same shall be deemed to mean the Fifth day of January; wherever the words Twelfth day of June occur the same shall be deemed to be the words Twelfth day of June occur the same shall be deemed to be the Twenty-second day of January; wherever the words Twelfth day of July occur the same shall be deemed to be the Twenty-second day of February; wherever the words "last day of July" occur the same shall be deemed to be the Tenth day of March; wherever the words "last day of August" occur the same shall be deemed to be the Tenth day of April; and wherever the words "First day of September" occur the same shall be deemed to be the Eleventh day of April.

12 The Electoral Rolls and Polling Lists of any Electoral Dis- Electoral Rolls trict for the year commencing the First day of September in the year 1862 and Polling Lists shall continue and be in force until the Thirty-first day of March in the prepared in 1862 to remain in force year 1864, anything in The Electoral Act to the contrary notwithstanding; till 31st March, and no proceedings shall be had or taken for the formation of any 1864. and no proceedings shall be had or taken for the formation of any 1864. Electoral Rolls or Polling Lists under the said Act until the First day of November in the year 1863.

13 The Electoral Roll, or document purporting to be the Electoral Rolls toral Roll, of any Electoral District, for the year commencing the First day for 1862-3 not of September in the year 1862, shall not be deemed to be, or be, in invalidated by any manner invalidated or be questioned by reason solely that the List same. of Electors for such District which was prepared and revised in this current year was not copied and printed in a Book, and such Book signed and delivered to the Returning Officer of such District on or before the last day of August in the year 1862, as required by The Electoral Act, anything in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

14 The Clerks of the Peace at Hobart Town and Launceston Indemnity for are hereby freed and discharged from all suits and proceedings whatsoever delay. to which they or either of them might otherwise be liable by reason of any such delay as aforesaid in copying and printing any such List of Electors for any Electoral District in a Book, and signing and delivering such Book to the Returning Officer of such District.

- 15 This Act and The Electoral Act, except in so far as the Acts to be read same is inconsistent with this Act, shall be read and construed together together. as one and the same Act.
- 16 In referring to this Act it shall be sufficient to use the expression Short Title. The Electoral Act, No. 2.