

(2) To amend Section 28 (owners in certain cases liable to water rents) of the said Local Act so that it shall read as follows:—

“ Where the rateable value of a house supplied with water by the Corporation is less than thirteen pounds or the house is let to monthly or weekly tenants the owner shall be primarily liable to the payment of the water rents and the provisions of this Act for the recovery of water rents shall apply for the recovery of water rents from owners as well as occupiers.”

(3) To provide that the Corporation may declare that their water rents and charges shall be payable at such date or dates as the Corporation may from time to time appoint;

(4) To provide that any water rent or charge payable to the Corporation may be collected with the Poor Rate and General District Rate;

(5) To provide that the Corporation may, if they think fit, apply Section 8 of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, authorising an allowance by way of discount, and Section 11 of that Act, providing for the rating of and collection of rates by owners, in relation to the collection of any water rent or charge payable to the Corporation;

(6) To repeal Sections 65 and 66 of the said Local Act of 1876 so far as they relate to markets;

(7) To render applicable to the markets of the Corporation the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1875, and the enactments incorporated therewith with regard to markets in addition to or in substitution for the provisions of the said Local Act of 1876;

(8) To enable the Corporation to employ a common form of mortgage applicable to all or any of their loans, and to provide that the repayment of the mortgages and the payment of interest thereon shall be charged indifferently upon all the revenues of the Corporation;

(9) To enable the Corporation to use for the purpose of any statutory borrowing power any moneys forming part of any sinking fund or other fund accumulated for the redemption of debt or as a reserve, renewal, contingent or other similar fund and not for the time being required for the purpose for which the moneys have been accumulated;

(10) To empower the Corporation to invest in statutory securities any yearly sums and accumulations thereof required to be paid into any sinking fund or loans fund, and to make provision for the payment of such accumulations and the disposal of any interest and dividends arising from the investment of the said yearly sums and accumulations;

(11) To make provision with regard to receipts for interest on mortgages held jointly and in cases of mortgages or bonds held by minors, idiots or lunatics;

(12) To empower the Corporation to re-borrow for the purpose of paying off moneys previously borrowed and in order to replace moneys temporarily applied from other funds in repaying borrowed moneys;

(13) To empower the Corporation, if they think fit, to provide a reserve fund in respect of the Water Undertaking and the Markets Undertaking;

(14) For the several purposes of the Application or for purposes connected with, incidental to, or consequent on those purposes to make any such alteration or amendment of the said Local Act, or of any other Local Act or of any Act confirming a Provisional Order made in pursuance of any of the Sanitary Acts or of the Public Health Act, 1875, and in force in the said Borough as may be necessary or desirable:

And whereas it is proposed that a Provisional Order should be issued in compliance with the said Application;

Notice is hereby given that H. A. de Montmorency, Esq., O.B.E., one of the Inspectors of the Ministry of Health, will attend at the Borough Hall, Stafford, on Thursday, the twenty-third day of February, 1928, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to hold a Local Inquiry into the subject-matter of the said Application and the proposed Provisional Order.

And notice is hereby further given that any person interested may attend at such Inquiry and be heard with reference to the said Application and the proposed Provisional Order.

*E. H. Rhodes,*  
Assistant Secretary.

Ministry of Health,  
Whitehall, S.W. 1.  
7th February, 1928.

#### LIGHT RAILWAYS ACTS, 1896 AND 1912.

##### RAILWAYS ACT, 1921.

The Minister of Transport has recently made the under-mentioned Order:—

The Easingwold Light Railway Order, 1928, authorising the working of the Easingwold Railway as a light railway under the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, as amended by the Railways Act, 1921.

Copies of the Order can shortly be obtainable at H.M. Stationery Office, Adastral House, Kingsway, London, W.C. 2.

Ministry of Transport,  
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7th February, 1928.

#### MERCHANDISE MARKS ACT, 1926.

##### REPORT ON CURRANTS, SULTANAS AND RAISINS.

The Standing Committee set up under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1926, by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Secretary of State for Scotland, have reported on their Enquiry as to whether imported Currants, Sultanas and Raisins should be required to bear an indication of origin.

Copies of the Report can be obtained directly from His Majesty's Stationery Office, Adastral House, Kingsway, London, W.C. 2; or 120, George Street, Edinburgh; or through any bookseller.