I certify that this Public Bill, which originated in the Legis-Lative Assembly, has finally passed the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

W. S. MOWLE,

Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 11 December, 1915.

New South Wales.



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GEORGII V REGIS.

Act No. 59, 1915.

An Act to make better provision for the maintenance, control, and administration of certain works of water supply for the town of Junee and for the Government Railways; to extinguish the debt of the Municipality of Junee in respect of certain works; to provide for the supply of water from the Bethungra dam; to amend the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, and the Local Government Act, 1906; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Assented to, 21st December, 1915.]

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I have examined this Bill, and find it to correspond in all respects with the Bill as finally passed by both Houses.

THOS. H. THROWER, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

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:—

PART I.

PRELIMINARY AND ADMINISTRATION.

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Junee Water Supply Administration Act, 1915," and is divided into parts as follows:—

Division into Parts. PART I.—Preliminary and Administration—ss. 1-6.

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PART III.—FINANCIAL—ss. 11-15.

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Definitions.

2. In this Act-

"Part" means Part of this Act.

"The Administrator" means the Administrator of the Junee Water Supply.

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"The Council" means the council of the municipality of Junee.

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Administration.

The administrator.

3. (1) This Act shall be administered for and on behalf of the Crown by the Administrator, who shall be the permanent head of the Department of Public Works, and who shall have the powers and duties hereinafter conferred and imposed on the Administrator. (2)

(2) In case of the illness, suspension, or absence Deputy Adof the Administrator, the person for the time being acting ministrator, in the office of the permanent head of the Department of Public Works shall have all the powers and may perform the duties of the Administrator.

Works controlled by the Administrator.

4. The undermentioned works constructed under the Works which Junee Water Supply Act, 1893, and which passed into cease to be under control the control of the council by virtue of a notification of council. published in the Gazette of the twelfth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven, shall upon the passing of this Act cease to be within the control of the council, and the said notification is to the extent of the works herein referred to annulled, that is to say:—

(a) The service reservoir at Junee.

(b) So much of the service main as lies between that reservoir and the boundary of the municicipality of Junee.

(c) The storage dam at Bethungra, and gravitation main thence to the aforesaid service reservoir at Junee.

5. The following works shall be maintained, and works conadministered by the Administrator, that is to say:

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section;

- (b) the pumping station and machinery at Tenandra on the Murrumbidgee River and buildings connected therewith;
- (c) the rising main from the said pumping station to the storage reservoirs on Mount Tenandra;
- (d) the said storage reservoirs on Mount Tenandra;
 (e) the gravitation main from the said storage reservoirs to Junee;

(f) the new service reservoir at Junee;

(g) the new service main from the last mentioned reservoir to the premises of the Commissioner at Junee Junction;

(h) the buildings at Tenandra constructed or to be constructed for the accommodation of members of the administration staff; (i)

- (i) the telephone lines in connection with the works;
- (j) any extension of the works above referred to which are situate outside the boundaries of the municipality of Junee.

Works controlled by the council.

Works controlled by Council.

6. Subject to this Act any reticulation works, and so much of the service main constructed under the Junee Water Supply Act, 1893, as is within the boundaries of the municipality of Junee, and any extension of such works within such municipality, shall be maintained and administered by the council, under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, and any Acts amending them:

Temporary use of Council's main by 'Administrator. Provided that the Administrator may use the works above mentioned to supply the Commissioner with water in terms of this Act.

PART II.

THE SUPPLY OF WATER.

Supply to the council.

Supply to Council.

7. (1) The Administrator shall operate the pumps at the Tenandra pumping station, and shall supply to the council during every calendar year a quantity of water equal to an average supply of forty gallons per day for every person who on the day in that year to be fixed by the regulations resides in the municipality in premises ratable for water rates under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880–1995.

(2) The council shall each calendar year, at the time or times prescribed by the regulations, pay into the Treasury, to be carried to the Junee Water Supply Account for water supplied as aforesaid, the sum of two thousand pounds where the number of persons who in such year reside as aforesaid does not exceed three thousand, and where such number exceeds three

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thousand shall so pay the said sum, and an additional sum amounting to two pounds for every three persons in excess of such number who reside as aforesaid:

Provided that, to meet the expenses of the council in the maintenance of the works under its control and in collecting rates and charges under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, a deduction from the amount payable as aforesaid may be made of a percentage of such amount to be determined by the administrator.

(3) For the purposes of such supply and payment in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the number of persons so residing shall be deemed to be three thousand.

The number for any subsequent year shall be as agreed upon by the Administrator, the council, and the Commissioner.

8. The Administrator may also, in addition to the Further supply of water as provided in the last preceding section, supply at supply to the council at the rate of two shillings for ministrator. every thousand gallons of water so supplied any water which may be available after having supplied to the Commissioner the quantities which he may require under the next following section. Payment for such water shall be made as prescribed by the regulations, and the proceeds, after deducting the cost of collection, shall be paid into the Treasury to the credit of the Junee Water Supply Account.

Supply to the Commissioner.

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Supply outside the municipality.

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PART III.

FINANCIAL.

Council's debt 11. The debt owing by the council in respect of under Junce Water Supply the cost of the works of water supply constructed Act, 1893, under the provisions of the Junee Water Supply Act, extinguished. 1893, is hereby extinguished.

Capital cost.

12. (1) The capital cost of the completed works which by this Act are administered by the Administrator and by the council, except the storage dam at Bethungra and the gravitation main thence to the service reservoir at Junee, is hereby declared to be the sum of eighty-four thousand eight hundred and seventy-four pounds three shillings and ninepence, but may be added to as provided in the next subsection.

Additions to capital cost.

(2) Upon completion of any extension of the said works, whether within or without the boundaries of the municipality of Junee, and whether made solely for the benefit of the council or of the Commissioner or for the benefit of both, the amount expended on such extension, subject to such partial remission as the Governor may think just under any special circumstances, together with interest at the average rate payable by the Government for loan moneys on the sums making up such amount, calculated from the time such sums were expended, shall be certified as soon as practicable under the hand of the Minister, and the total amount so certified from time to time shall be added to and become part of such capital cost.

Treasurer to keep account

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be annually credited to such account any payments made into the Treasury in pursuance of this Act and shall be debited to that account the charges following:—

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capital cost.

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(c) The cost of the upkeep and administration of the works the control of which is by this Act vested in the Administrator exclusive of the

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(d) The cost of wages, fuel, and all stores in con-

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No deduction for failure of supply.

(2) The Commissioner shall not be entitled to any deduction from such amount as aforesaid in respect of any failure of the Administrator, from whatever cause arising, to supply water, nor shall he have any claim for damages or compensation for any loss arising from any such failure.

No compensation for failure of supply to council.

15. The Administrator shall not under any circumstances be liable to make any payments in compensation or for damages should the water supplied to the council be at any time unfit for dietetic purposes, or for failure arising from any cause whatsoever to supply water to council in pursuance of this Act.

PART IV.

THE SUPPLY FROM BETHUNGRA DAM.

Supply from Bethungra dam, 16. The Administrator may supply water from the storage dam at Bethungra to such towns, persons, municipalities, and shires as he may think fit, and for that purpose may use the gravitation main from the said dam to the storage reservoir at Junee, or any part thereof.

Charges for water.

17. The Administrator may make such charges for water supplied under the last preceding section as he may think proper, and may enter into contracts and agreements for that purpose, and for securing the payment of such charges. The net proceeds of such charges shall be paid into the Treasury and carried to the Consolidated Revenue Account.

PART V.

MISCELLANEOUS.

18. All works, which by this Act are maintained Vesting of and administered by the Administrator, shall be deemed works. to be the property and in the possession of His Majesty the King.

19. For the purpose of carrying out the main-Powers of tenance and administration of such works, and of any Administrator. extension thereof, the Administrator shall have all the powers of a constructing authority under the Public Works Act, 1912.

20. The provisions of subsection two of section Sec. 75 (2), seventy-five of the Local Government Act, 1906, so far Government as the construction, maintenance, and administration of Act, 1906, the works referred to in this Act are concerned, shall not the Crown. bind the Crown.

21. (1) The Governor may make regulations for Regulations. carrying out the provisions of this Act and for the control and administration of the catchment area of the Bethungra dam, consisting of an area of nine hundred and fifty acres, more or less, vested in the Minister by virtue of a notification in the Gazette of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, and for preventing the pollution of the water flowing into such dam, and may impose a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds for any breach thereof.

(2) Such regulations shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days from the making thereof, if Parliament is then in session, and if not, then within fourteen days of the commencement of the next ensuing session.

22. The Governor may, if the council fails at any Power to time to make any payments into the Treasury as take administration away required by or under this Act, by proclamation in the from the Gazette, declare that the administration of the works council. mentioned in section six of this Act shall be vested in the Administrator, and thereupon the council shall, with respect to such works, be divested of all powers and duties conferred and imposed on it by this Act or the

Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, and the powers and duties of the council under the last-mentioned Act shall be vested in the Administrator, who shall maintain and administer the said works and levy water rates and collect charges for the supply of water, and pay the moneys so received, less the cost of such maintenance and the expenses incurred in collecting such rates and charges, into the Treasury. The Administrator may also sue for and recover any moneys due to the council.

The Governor may revoke any such proclamation, whereupon the said powers and duties shall be revested in the council.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty I assent to this Act.

G. STRICKLAND,

Government House, Governor. Sydney, 21st December, 1915.

JUNEE WATER SUPPLY ADMINISTRATION BILL,

SCHEDULE of the Amendments referred to in Message of 23rd November, 1915.

Page 5, clause 7, line 16. Omit "and" first occurring.

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Page 5, clause 7, line 17. Omit all the words from "and" to end of clause.

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JUNES WATER SUPPLY ADMINISPRATION BILL.

This Public Bill originated in the Legislative Assembly, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

W. S. MOWLE,

Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 26 October, 1915.

The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with Amendments.

W. L. S. COOPER, Clerk of the Parliaments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 23rd November, 1915.

New South Wales.



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Administration.

3. (1) This Act shall be administered for and on The administered behalf of the Crown by the Administrator, who shall be trator. the permanent head of the Department of Public Works,

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Works controlled by the Administrator.

4. The undermentioned works constructed under the Works which Junee Water Supply Act, 1893, and which passed into cease to be under control the control of the council by virtue of a notification of council.

10 published in the Gazette of the twelfth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven, shall upon the passing of this Act cease to be within the control of the council, and the said notification is to the extent of the works herein referred to annulled, that is

15 to say:—
(a) The service reservoir at Junee.

(b) So much of the service main as lies between that reservoir and the boundary of the municicipality of Junee.

20 (c) The storage dam at Bethungra, and gravitation main thence to the aforesaid service reservoir at Junee.

5. The following works shall be maintained, and Works conadministered by the Administrator, that is to say:

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(b) the pumping station and machinery at Tenandra on the Murrumbidgee River and buildings connected therewith;

30 (c) the rising main from the said pumping station to the storage reservoirs on Mount Tenandra;

(d) the said storage reservoirs on Mount Tenandra;

(e) the gravitation main from the said storage reservoirs to Junee;

(f) the new service reservoir at Junee;

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(g) the new service main from the last mentioned reservoir to the premises of the Commissioner at Junee Junction;

(h) the buildings at Tenandra constructed or to be constructed for the accommodation of members of the administration staff; (i)

- (i) the telephone lines in connection with the works;
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Works controlled by the council.

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PART II.

THE SUPPLY OF WATER.

20 Supply to the council.

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the regulations resides in the municipality in premises ratable for water rates under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880–1905.

(2) The council shall each calendar year, at the 30 time or times prescribed by the regulations, pay into the Treasury, to be carried to the Junee Water Supply Account for water supplied as aforesaid, the sum of two thousand pounds where the number of persons who in such year reside as aforesaid does not exceed three 35 thousand, and where such number exceeds three

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thousand shall so pay the said sum, and an additional sum amounting to two pounds for every three persons in excess of such number who reside as aforesaid:

Provided that, to meet the expenses of the council in 5 the maintenance of the works under its control and in collecting rates and charges under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880–1905, a deduction from the amount payable as aforesaid may be made of a percentage of such amount to be determined by the 10 administrator.

- (3) For the purposes of such supply and payment in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the number of persons so residing shall be deemed to be three thousand.
- 15 The number for any subsequent year shall be as agreed upon by the Administrator, and the council, and the Commissioner, and if they do not agree, then as determined by a person to be appointed by the Minister in that behalf whose determination shall be final.
- 20 **8.** The Administrator may also, in addition to the Further supply of water as provided in the last preceding section, supply at supply to the council at the rate of two shillings for ministrator. every thousand gallons of water so supplied any water which may be available after having supplied to the
- 25 Commissioner the quantities which he may require under the next following section. Payment for such water shall be made as prescribed by the regulations, and the proceeds, after deducting the cost of collection, shall be paid into the Treasury to the credit of the Junee Water 30 Supply Account.

Supply to the Commissioner.

9. The Administrator shall supply to the Commis-supply to sioner, in such quantities as he may require, on his commispremises at Junee Junction any water available from

35 the works administered by him under this Act (other than the storage reservoir at Bethungra), over and above the quantity to be supplied to the council under section seven.

Supply outside the municipality.

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person outside the municipality of Junee at a rate not less than two shillings for every thousand gallons so supplied, and shall pay the proceeds thereof, after deducting the cost of collection, into the Treasury to the 5 credit of the Junee Water Supply Account.

PART III.

FINANCIAL.

11. The debt owing by the council in respect of Council's debt the cost of the works of water supply constructed under Junee Water Supply 10 under the provisions of the Junee Water Supply Act, Act, 1893, extinguished. 1893, is hereby extinguished.

12. (1) The capital cost of the completed works Capital cost. which by this Act are administered by the Administrator and by the council, except the storage dam at

15 Bethungra and the gravitation main thence to the service reservoir at Junee, is hereby declared to be the sum of eighty-four thousand eight hundred and seventyfour pounds three shillings and ninepence, but may be added to as provided in the next subsection.

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Works controlled by the Administrator.

4. The undermentioned works constructed under the Works which Junee Water Supply Act, 1893, and which passed into cease to be under control the control of the council by virtue of a notification of council.

10 published in the Gazette of the twelfth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven, shall upon the passing of this Act cease to be within the control of the council, and the said notification is to the extent of the works herein referred to annulled, that is 15 to say:—

(a) The service reservoir at Junee.

(b) So much of the service main as lies between that reservoir and the boundary of the municicipality of Junee.

20 (c) The storage dam at Bethungra, and gravitation main thence to the aforesaid service reservoir at Junee.

5. The following works shall be maintained, and works conadministered by the Administrator, that is to say:—

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25 (a) the works mentioned in the last preceding tor.

(b) the pumping station and machinery at Tenandra on the Murrumbidgee River and buildings connected therewith;

30 (c) the rising main from the said pumping station to the storage reservoirs on Mount Tenandra;

(d) the said storage reservoirs on Mount Tenandra;
(e) the gravitation main from the said storage reservoirs to Junee;

35 (f) the new service reservoir at Junee;

(g) the new service main from the last mentioned reservoir to the premises of the Commissioner at Junee Junction;

(h) the buildings at Tenandra constructed or to be constructed for the accommodation of members of the administration staff; (i)

(i) the telephone lines in connection with the works:

(j) any extension of the works above referred to which are situate outside the boundaries of the municipality of Junee.

Works controlled by the council.

6. Subject to this Act any reticulation works, and so Works much of the service main constructed under the Junee controlled by Water Supply Act, 1893, as is within the boundaries

10 of the municipality of Junee, and any extension of such works within such municipality, shall be maintained and administered by the council, under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, and any Acts amending them:

Provided that the Administrator may use the works Temporary use above mentioned to supply the Commissioner with main by Administrator.

water in terms of this Act.

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PART II.

THE SUPPLY OF WATER.

Supply to the council.

7. (1) The Administrator shall operate the pumps at Supply to the Tenandra pumping station, and shall supply to the council during every calendar year a quantity of water equal to an average supply of forty gallons per day for 25 every person who on the day in that year to be fixed by the regulations resides in the municipality in premises ratable for water rates under the Country Towns Water

and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1995.

(2) The council shall each calendar year, at the 30 time or times prescribed by the regulations, pay into the Treasury, to be carried to the Junee Water Supply Account for water supplied as aforesaid, the sum of two thousand pounds where the number of persons who in such year reside as aforesaid does not exceed three 35 thousand, and where such number exceeds three

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thousand shall so pay the said sum, and an additional sum amounting to two pounds for every three persons in excess of such number who reside as aforesaid:

Provided that, to meet the expenses of the council in 5 the maintenance of the works under its control and in collecting rates and charges under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, a deduction from the amount payable as aforesaid may be made of a percentage of such amount to be determined by the 10 administrator.

(3) For the purposes of such supply and payment in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the number of persons so residing shall be deemed to be three thousand.

15 The number for any subsequent year shall be as ageed upon by the Administrator and the Council, and if they do not agree, then as determined by a person to be appointed by the Minister in that behalf, whose determination shall be final.

20 **8.** The Administrator may also, in addition to the Further supply of water as provided in the last preceding section, supply at supply to the council at the rate of two shillings for ministrator. every thousand gallons of water so supplied any water which may be available after having supplied to the

25 Commissioner the quantities which he may require under the next following section. Payment for such water shall be made as prescribed by the regulations.

Supply to the Commissioner.

9. The Administrator shall supply to the Commis-Supply to 30 sioner, in such quantities as he may require, on his commispremises at Junee Junction any water available from the works administered by him under this Act (other than the storage reservoir at Bethungra), over and above the quantity to be supplied to the council under 35 section seven.

Supply outside the municipality.

10. The Administrator may supply any water not supply required by the council or the Commissioner to any outside person

person outside the municipality of Junee at a rate not less than two shillings for every thousand gallons so supplied, and shall pay the proceeds thereof, after deducting the cost of collection, into the Treasury to the 5 credit of the Junee Water Supply Account.

PART III.

FINANCIAL.

11. The debt owing by the council in respect of Council's debt the cost of the works of water supply constructed water Supply 10 under the provisions of the Junee Water Supply Act, Act, 1893, extinguished.

12. (1) The capital cost of the completed works Capital cost. which by this Act are administered by the Administrator and by the council, except the storage dam at

15 Bethungra and the gravitation main thence to the service reservoir at Junee, is hereby declared to be the sum of eighty-four thousand eight hundred and seventy-four pounds three shillings and ninepence, but may be added to as provided in the next subsection.

20 (2) Upon completion of any extension of the Additions to said works, whether within or without the boundaries of capital cost. the municipality of Junee, and whether made solely for the benefit of the council or of the Commissioner or for the benefit of both, the amount expended on such

25 extension, subject to such partial remission as the Governor may think just under any special circumstances, together with interest at the average rate payable by the Government for loan moneys on the sums making up such amount, calculated from the time such

30 sums were expended, shall be certified as soon as practicable under the hand of the Minister, and the total amount so certified from time to time shall be added to and become part of such capital cost.

13. (1) A special account shall be kept in the Treasurer to 35 Special Deposits Account in the Treasury, to be called keep account, the "Junee Water Supply Account," and there shall

be annually credited to such account any payments made into the Treasury in pursuance of this Act and shall be debited to that account the charges following:—

(a) Interest at the rate of three and one-half per centum per annum on the amount of such

capital cost.

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(b) A sum for renewal of the steel mains, pumping machinery, and buildings the control of which is by this Act vested in the Administrator (exclusive of the gravitation main from Bethungra, to the service reservoir at Junee), sufficient to replace the same within a period of twenty-five years from the commencement of this Act.

The amount so debited shall be carried to an account in the Special Deposits Account in the Treasury, to be called the "Junee Water Supply Renewal Account." Interest may be paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund to such Renewals Account on the amount to the credit of that account at such rate and subject to such conditions as the Colonial Treasurer may from time to time direct.

(c) The cost of the upkeep and administration of the works the control of which is by this Act vested in the Administrator exclusive of the

Bethungra dam and main.

(d) The cost of wages, fuel, and all stores in con-

nection with pumping.

30 (2) The books kept in connection with such inspection of account shall upon reasonable notice be produced for books. the inspection of any officer appointed by the Commissioner.

(3) The Colonial Treasurer shall annually pre-Annual 35 pare a statement of such account, and shall forward the statement. same to the Commissioner.

of such statement of account, pay to the Treasurer the whole of the amount debited as aforesaid to the 40 Junee Water Supply Account, less any amounts paid or which ought to have been paid into the Treasury by

the council and the Administrator under this Act.

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(2) The Commissioner shall not be entitled to No deduction any deduction from such amount as aforesaid in respect for failure of supply. of any failure of the Administrator, from whatever cause arising, to supply water, nor shall he have any claim for 5 damages or compensation for any loss arising from any such failure.

15. The Administrator shall not under any circum- No compenstances be liable to make any payments in compensation sation for failure of or for damages should the water supplied to the council supply to 10 be at any time unfit for dietetic purposes, or for failure council. arising from any cause whatsoever to supply water to

council in pursuance of this Act.

PART IV.

THE SUPPLY FROM BETHUNGRA DAM.

16. The Administrator may supply water from Supply from the storage dam at Bethungra to such towns, persons, dam. municipalities, and shires as he may think fit, and for that purpose may use the gravitation main from the said dam to the storage reservoir at Junee, or any part 20 thereof.

17. The Administrator may make such charges for Charges for water supplied under the last preceding section as he water. may think proper, and may enter into contracts and agreements for that purpose, and for securing the pay-25 ment of such charges. The net proceeds of such charges

shall be paid into the Treasury and carried to the Consolidated Revenue Account.

PART V.

MISCELLANEOUS.

18. All works, which by this Act are maintained vesting of and administered by the Administrator, shall be deemed works.

5 to be the property and in the possession of His Majesty the King.

19. For the purpose of carrying out the main-Powers of tenance and administration of such works, and of any Administrator. extension thereof, the Administrator shall have all the 10 powers of a constructing authority under the Public Works Act, 1912.

20. The provisions of subsection two of section Sec. 75 (2), seventy-five of the Local Government Act, 1906, so far Local Government as the construction, maintenance, and administration of Act, 1906, 15 the works referred to in this Act are concerned, shall not the Crown. bind the Crown.

21. (1) The Governor may make regulations for Regulations, carrying out the provisions of this Act and for the control and administration of the catchment area of the 20 Bethungra dam, consisting of an area of nine hundred and fifty acres, more or less, vested in the Minister by virtue of a notification in the Gazette of the fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, and for preventing the pollution of the water flowing 25 into such dam, and may impose a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds for any breach thereof.

(2) Such regulations shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days from the making thereof, if Parliament is then in session, and if 30 not, then within fourteen days of the commencement of the next ensuing session.

22. The Governor may, if the council fails at any Power to time to make any payments into the Treasury as take administration by or under this Act, by proclamation in the from the 35 Gazette, declare that the administration of the works council. mentioned in section six of this Act shall be vested in the Administrator, and thereupon the council shall, with respect to such works, be divested of all powers and duties conferred and imposed on it by this Act or the 542—B Country

Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, and the powers and duties of the council under the last-mentioned Act shall be vested in the Administrator, who shall maintain and administer the said works and 5 levy water rates and collect charges for the supply of water, and pay the moneys so received, less the cost of such maintenance and the expenses incurred in collecting such rates and charges, into the Treasury. The Administrator may also sue for and recover any moneys 10 due to the council.

The Governor may revoke any such proclamation, whereupon the said powers and duties shall be revested in the council.

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