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PART V.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

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The following Bill, together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons accompanying it, is published in accordance with Rule 22 of the Rules for the conduct of business at Meetings of the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations:—

Bill No. III of 1901.

A Bill to amend the City of Bombay Improvement Act, 1898.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the City of Bombay Improvement Act, 1898: It is hereby enacted as follows:---

1. This Act may be cited as the City of Bombay Improvement Amendment Act, 1901, and shall be construed as part of the City of Bombay Improvement Act, 1898, hereinafter referred to as the said Act.

2. In sub-section (2) of section 19 of the said Act, the words "and two other Trustees" shall be omitted.

3. After section 19 of the said Act there shall be inserted the following new section, namely:

"19A. Notwithstanding anything con-

Signature of Chairman on coupons of debentures may be impressed, &c. tained in the last preceding section, the signature of the Chairman may be engraved, litho-

graphed or impressed by any mechanical process on the coupons attached to Debentures issued under this Act, and such signature so engraved, lithographed or impressed shall be as valid as if the same had been subscribed in the proper handwriting of the said Chairman."

4. For sub-section (2) of section 31 of the said Act there shall be substituted the following sub-section, namely:

"31 (2). May, within the limits aforesaid, provide for (a) raising any land vested in or to be acquired by the Board which the Board may deem expe-

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dient to raise for the better drainage of the locality; (b) forming open spaces for the better ventilation of the area comprised in the scheme, or of any area occupied by buildings constructed under subsection (3) of this section; and ".

5. After section 41 of the said Act there shall be inserted the following new section, namely:

"41A. In respect of any such part required which is Cost of acquiring or forms part of such land when to bo repaid to the Corporation. 9th November 1898 under the provisions of section 248 of the Municipal Act.

of section 298 of the Municipal Act, the Board shall pay to the Corporation the actual cost incurred by the Corporation in acquiring such land, or such portion thereof as shall bear to the whole actual cost so incurred the same proportion that the area of the part required bears to the whole area of the land so acquired." 6. For sub-section (4) of section 48 of the said Act there shall be substituted the following sub-section, namely:

"48 (4). The President shall be either

- (a) a member of the Judicial Branch of the Imperial or Provincial Civil Service of not less than 10 years' standing, who shall have served as District Judge, or held judicial office not inferior to that of a First Class Subordinate Judge, for at least three years of that period; or
- (b) Barristers, Advocates or Pleaders of not less than eight years' standing, who have practised as Advocates or Pleaders in the Bombay High Court."

7. In sub-section (4) of section (60) of the said Act, after the words "Cooperage Plot" the word "and" shall be omitted, and after the words "Secretariat Plot" there shall be inserted the words "and the Marine Lines Estate".

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

The principal object of this Bill is to meet, by the amendment of Section 48 (4) of the City of Bombay Improvement Act, 1898, a technical objection which has been found to stand in the way of the appointment of the Chief Judge of the Presidency Small Cause Court as President of the Tribunal constituted under that section. It is thought desirable to remove this manifest inconvenience without loss of time. At the same time the opportunity is taken to make some verbal and other slight alterations in the Act which experience has shown to be advisable.

(Signed) E. C. K. OLLIVANT.

Bombay, 13th February 1901.

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor.

R. J. C. LORD,

Secretary to the Council of the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations.

Bombay Castle, 13th February 1901.