

Locomotives Act 1898

1898 CHAPTER 29

Power of owner of locomotive to exempt himself from fine on the conviction of the actual offender.

- (1) Where an offence under any Act or byelaw relating to locomotives on highways, for which the owner of a locomotive or waggon is liable to a penalty, has, in fact, been committed by some servant, workman, or other person, that servant, workman, or other person shall be liable to the same penalty as if he were the owner.
- (2) Where the owner is charged with any such offence, he shah be entitled upon information duly laid by him to have any other person whom he charges as the actual offender brought before the court at the time appointed for hearing the charge, and if after the commission of the offence has been proved, the owner proves to the satisfaction of the court that he had used due diligence to enforce the execution of the Act, and that the other person had committed the offence in question without the owner's knowledge, consent, or connivance, that other person shall be summarily convicted of the offence, and the owner shall be exempt from any fine.