

PROVINCE OF NELSON.

THE POISON ACT.

IN THE TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN
VICTORIA.

SESSION IX., No. 5.

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE LAYING OF POISON IN THE
POPULATED DISTRICTS OF THE PROVINCE OF NELSON.

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Title.

"An Act to prohibit the laying of Poison in the populated Districts of the Province of Nelson."

[Assented to 15th July, 1862.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it has become necessary to prohibit the laying of strychnine, arsenic, and other poisonous substances in any town or village, or within a certain distance thereof, or within a certain distance of any trunk line of road within the said Province. Be it therefore enacted by the Superintendent of the Province of Nelson, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof, as follows:—

1. Any person who shall lay or cause to be laid strychnine, arsenic, or other poisonous substances within three miles of the City of Nelson, or within one mile of any town or village, or within a distance of ten chains from any trunk line of road in the Province within the limits of any Road Board District, or within a distance of one mile from any such trunk line outside of such limits, shall forfeit and pay for the first offence the sum of Five pounds, and for any subsequent offence a sum not exceeding Twenty pounds.

Persons laying Poison liable to Penalty.

2. Every person who shall sell strychnine, arsenic, or other poisonous substances within the said Province shall keep a book, wherein shall be inserted the name, residence, and occupation of any person purchasing any strychnine, arsenic, or other poisonous substances, and the quantity purchased by each such person, and the date of such purchase. Any applicant to purchase poison shall be accompanied by at least one witness, whose name and address shall also be registered. And any person so selling any strychnine, arsenic, or other poisonous substances who shall neglect to enter all such particulars as aforesaid shall forfeit and pay for every such offence any sum not less than Five pounds nor more than Fifty pounds.

Persons selling Poison to keep Register.

3. All penalties under this Act may be recovered in a summary manner before any Resident Magistrate or any two Justices of the Peace.

Penalties to be recovered in a summary manner.

4. This Act shall be intituled and may be cited as "The Poison Act, 1862."

Short Title.