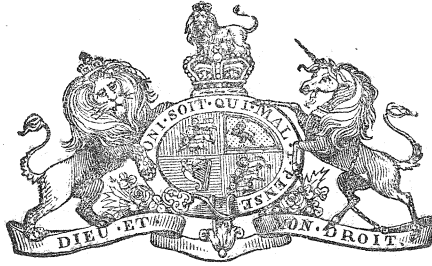


# NEW PLYMOUTH.



## SCOTCH THISTLE ORDINANCE, 1856.

IN THE NINETEENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY  
QUEEN VICTORIA.

SESSION III, No. 1.

### ANALYSIS.

Title.	ing Thistle to flower on road.
Preamble.	4. Who shall be deemed occupiers.
1. Penalty for allowing Scotch Thistle to flower.	5. Lands whereon Thistle is growing may be entered upon for purpose of destroying same.
2. New offence after conviction, what shall be deemed.	6. Commencement of operation.
3. Penalty on occupiers of adjacent lands for allow-	

AN ORDINANCE TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE SCOTCH THISTLE. Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision against the spread of a noxious weed called the Scotch Thistle. Preamble.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of New Plymouth, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof, as follows:—

1. Every occupier of land who, after this Ordinance shall have come into operation, shall suffer the weed called Scotch Thistle to flower upon the land in his occupation, shall for every such offence forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding the sum of £5. Penalty for allowing Scotch Thistle to flower.

2. If any person after the expiration of seven days from his conviction for the said offence shall suffer the said weed to flower or continue in flower upon the Tenement in respect of which such his prior conviction took place, he shall be deemed to have committed a new offence. New offence after conviction, what shall be deemed.

3. In case the occupier of any land abutting on a road shall permit the said weed to go to flower on the half of such road adja- Penalty on occupiers of adjacent lands for allowing

Thistle to flower on road.

cent to his land, and bounded by the middle line of the road, he shall be liable to the like penalty as if he had suffered the said weed to flower on land in his own occupation.

Who shall be deemed occupiers.

4. As respects land not actually occupied the owner thereof shall for the purposes of this Ordinance be deemed the occupier. Licenses under an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council passed in the second session of the said Council intituled "An Ordinance to regulate the occupation of certain unenclosed lands in the Town of New Plymouth" shall not be deemed occupiers for the purposes of this Ordinance of the lands comprised in their respective licenses.

Lands whereon Thistle is growing may be entered upon for purpose of destroying same.

5. It shall be lawful for any person to enter upon any lands whatsoever on which the said weed may be growing, for the purpose of destroying the same, or the flower thereof, so that the person so entering do no unnecessary damage.

Commencement of operation.

6. This Ordinance shall come into operation at the expiration of 14 days from the passing thereof.

Passed the Provincial Council  
the twenty-sixth day of De-  
cember, one thousand eight  
hundred and fifty-five.

I. NEWTON WATT,  
Speaker.

Assented to on behalf of the Governor the second day of  
January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

CHARLES BROWN,  
Superintendent.