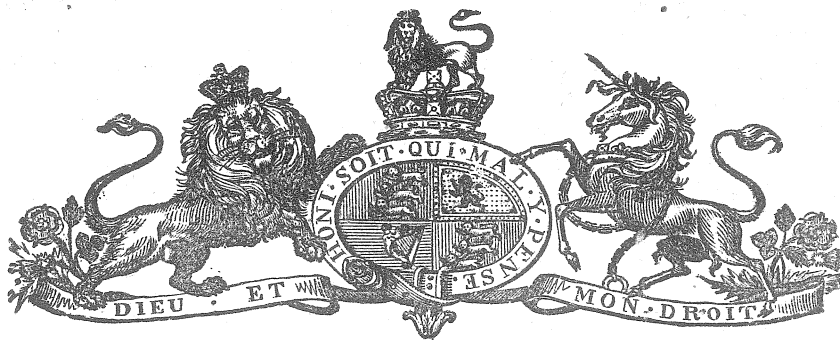


PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND.



DISEASED SHEEP ACT AMENDMENT ACT, 1873.

SESSION XXIV., No. 6.

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AN ACT to Amend "The Diseased Sheep Act 1872." Title.

[19th May, 1873.]

WHEREAS by the thirty-first section of "The Diseased Sheep Act 1872" it was enacted that any person owning or having in charge any sheep should in the month of January in every year deliver in writing to the Inspector of the district in which such sheep should be depasturing a return of the number of sheep above six months old owned by him or under his charge and should append thereto a declaration that such return is true to the best of his knowledge and belief AND WHEREAS by the thirty-third section of the same Act it was enacted that every person owning or having charge of any sheep should in the month of August in every year pay on demand to the Inspector of the district in which such sheep should be depasturing or other person authorized to receive the same the sum of one half-penny per head for all sheep over the age of six months so owned by him or under his charge in accordance with the return made by him in the preceding month of January if any and if no such return should have been made then in accordance with the number owned by him or under his charge in the said month of January AND WHEREAS in consequence of the said Act not having been passed till the month of May 1872 no such return as in the thirty-first section of the said Act mentioned could be made to the Inspector in the month of January 1872 and doubts have arisen whether the persons owning or having in charge any sheep were liable to pay in the month of August 1872 the amount mentioned in the thirty-third section of the said Act AND WHEREAS it is expedient to remove and set at rest such doubts:— Preamble.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof as follows :

Short Title.

1. The Short Title of this Act shall be "The Diseased Sheep Act 1872 Amendment Act 1873."

2. Every person who owned or had in his charge any sheep in the month of January 1872 and who has not made the return hereinafter mentioned shall within two calendar months after the passing of this Act deliver in writing to the Inspector for the time being of the district within which such sheep were depasturing in the month of January 1872 a return of the number of all sheep above six months old owned by him or under his charge in the month of January 1872 and shall append thereto a declaration that such return is true to the best of his knowledge and belief. Every person wilfully neglecting or refusing to make such return shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five pounds nor more than twenty pounds.

3. Every person wilfully making a false declaration in respect of the number of sheep owned by him or under his charge in the month of January 1872 shall be liable to a penalty of not less than ten pounds nor more than fifty pounds.

Owners of sheep and others liable to pay assessment on sheep owned in January 1872.

4. Every person who owned or had in charge any sheep in the month of August 1872 shall be deemed to have been liable to pay to the Inspector of the District in which such sheep were depasturing or other person authorised to receive the same the sum of one half-penny per head for all sheep so owned by him or under his charge in the month of January 1872 and such sum shall be deemed to have become and to have been a debt to the Inspector of the district for the time being and the same in every case in which it is now unpaid may be recovered by the Inspector of the district by summary or other proceedings in any competent Court.

Sheep imported into Province to be dipped or dressed.

5. After the first day of May 1874 all sheep imported into any port of the Province of Wellington shall be dipped or dressed to the satisfaction of the Inspector of the District within which such port is situated before they shall be removed to a greater distance than one mile from the place of landing such sheep. In default of such dipping or dressing the owner or importer of such sheep shall incur a penalty of twenty pounds. The owner or importer of such sheep or his agent shall immediately on the landing of such sheep give notice in writing to the Inspector of the District of such landing and of the place where such sheep then are and in default of such notice he shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty pounds to be recovered in a summary way.

Sheep not to be removed without authority from Inspector.

6. Any person removing or assisting or attempting to remove any such sheep as in the last section mentioned from the place they shall have been first put after such landing before an authority in writing from the Inspector of the District within which such sheep shall be or some person authorized by him for the removal of such sheep shall have been obtained shall incur a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every sheep so removed or attempted to be removed. Provided that the penalty to be incurred for removing or assisting or attempting to remove any number of sheep at any one time shall not exceed the sum of one hundred pounds.

Penalty for having scabby sheep

7. From and after the first day of June 1874 the owner of any flock of sheep which shall have been infected with scab for the space of twelve months shall be liable to a penalty of not less than ten pounds. If the sheep shall have been so infected for the space of

eighteen months he shall be liable to a penalty of not less than twenty pounds. At the end of each further period of six months until the flock shall become clean he shall be liable to such a penalty as will be represented by the addition of the sum of ten pounds to the amount of the penalty for which he was liable at the expiration of the previous period of six months. Provided that in no case shall the penalty exceed the sum of one hundred pounds. Any such penalty may be recovered in a summary way.

8. It shall be the duty of the Inspector of the district within which such flock shall be to lay a fresh information against the owners of any sheep declared to be infected with the disease called scab at the expiration of every six months from the date of such infection until such sheep shall have been cleaned to the satisfaction of the Inspector.

Inspector to lay
fresh information
every six months.

9. Every owner of a flock of not less than five hundred sheep shall in the event of scab being discovered in such flock be immediately liable to a penalty of not less than twenty-five pounds or more than one hundred pounds unless he shall have had in readiness at the time of such discovery of such scab a dip and other appliances requisite for the treatment of that disease to the satisfaction of the Inspector of the District within which such sheep shall be.

Owners of sheep to
erect dip, &c.

10. This Act shall be read as if part of and incorporated with "The Diseased Sheep Act 1872."

To be part of Act
of 1872.