

No. XX.

GRAPE-VINES AND
GRAPES
IMPORTATION
PROHIBITION.
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An Act to prohibit the Importation of Grape- vines Grape-vine-cuttings and Grapes. [25th April, 1873.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is desirable to prevent the introduction of the disease known as *Phylloxera vastatrix* Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows :—

Importation of
grape-vines vine-
cuttings or grapes
prohibited under a
penalty.

1. It shall not be lawful to import into the Colony either by sea or land any grape-vines grape-vine-cuttings or grapes and whosoever shall so import or attempt to import any such vines vine-cuttings or grapes shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding twenty pounds and all such vines vine-cuttings or grapes imported or attempted

Funded Stock.

attempted to be imported contrary to the provisions of this section shall be forfeited and may be seized and destroyed by any officer of Customs or police officer. Provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council by proclamation in the *Government Gazette* to exempt any place or places from the operation of this Act.

2. Nothing herein contained shall apply to raisins or currants. Act not to apply to raisins or currants.

3. Whosoever shall wilfully obstruct any officer of Customs police officer or constable when acting in the execution of this Act shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding ten pounds. Penalty on person wilfully obstructing constable.

4. All informations for offences against this Act may be heard and determined and all penalties under this Act may be imposed by any two Justices of the Peace in a summary way and may be recovered by distress and sale of the offender's goods. Provided however that every such information shall be laid within two months after the commission of the said offence. Summary jurisdiction.

5. One moiety of any penalty imposed under the provisions of this Act shall go to the informer and the other moiety to the Colonial Treasurer to be by him carried over to the Consolidated Revenue Fund. Appropriation of penalties.

6. This Act shall take effect from and after the passing thereof and shall continue in force until the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six and may be cited as the "Grape-vines and Grapes Importation Prohibition Act." Short title and duration of Act.