

T A S M A N I A



1884.

ANNO QUADRAGESIMO-OCTAVO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 7.



AN ACT to amend "The Rabbits Destruction Act, 1882." [20 October, 1884.] A.D. 1884. —

**W**HERÉAS it is expedient to amend and make permanent the Acts relating to the Destruction of Rabbits : **PREAMBLE.**

Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of *Tasmania*, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows :—

**1** This Act may be cited as "The Rabbits Destruction Act, 1884"; and the Rabbits Destruction Acts, 1882 and 1883, and this Act, may be cited for all purposes as the Rabbit Acts, 1882 to 1884. Citation of Acts. 46 Vict. No. 35. 47 Vict. No. 15.

**2** In any proceedings under the Rabbit Acts, 1882 to 1884, for any breach of or non-compliance with the provisions thereof, a copy of the *Hobart Gazette* containing any Valuation or Assessment Roll then in force, in which the name of the defendant shall appear as occupier or owner of any land in respect of which such proceedings may be taken, shall, on production only and without any proof, be deemed sufficient *prima facie* evidence that such person was at the time alleged in the Information the occupier or owner of such land; and the onus of proving that he was not at the time alleged such occupier or owner shall in all cases rest on the defendant, who shall be competent and compellable to give evidence in any such proceedings, any Statute or Rule of Law to the contrary notwithstanding. Valuation Roll evidence of occupation or ownership.

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Occupier to  
furnish informa-  
tion.  
Schedule.

**3** Every occupier of land shall, when called upon by notice in writing by any Inspector, furnish full and accurate information, under the hand of such occupier, in the form in the Schedule, or to the like effect; and the Inspector may require such occupier to furnish any other information which such Inspector may deem necessary to enable him to ascertain if the provisions of the Rabbit Acts, 1882 to 1884, have been complied with by the occupier; and any such information furnished to the Inspector, purporting to be signed by any such occupier, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the facts therein set forth; and if any occupier fails, neglects, or refuses, within One month from the delivery of such notice, to comply with this provision, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds.

Repeal of  
Duration Clause,  
and continuation  
of Acts until  
repealed.

**4** Section Twelve of "The Rabbits Destruction Act, 1883," is hereby repealed; and the residue of the said Act, and so much of "The Rabbits Destruction Act, 1882," as is now unrepealed, are hereby continued in full force and effect as one with this Act until repealed in whole or in part.

Acts to be read  
together.

**5** "The Rabbits Destruction Act, 1882," as amended by "The Rabbits Destruction Act, 1883," and both the said Acts as amended by this Act, and this Act, shall be read and construed together as one Act; and the said Act of 1882, as amended by the said Act of 1883, shall be deemed to have always continued in full force and effect, and to have always been lawfully read and construed together with such last-mentioned Act as one Act.

## SCHEDULE.

## REPORT BY OCCUPIER.

REPORT of the persons employed and means used for the destruction of rabbits by  
of during the month of 188

1. The number of persons either wholly or partly employed destroying rabbits.
2. How each person carried out work of destroying—
  1. Hunting.
  2. Hunting and shooting.
  3. Shooting.
  4. Poisoning.
  5. Fumigating.
  6. Digging out.
3. Number of rabbits known or believed to be destroyed.
4. The poison used.
5. Any other information which it would be advantageous to give or to publish

A.B.

Witness—C.D.