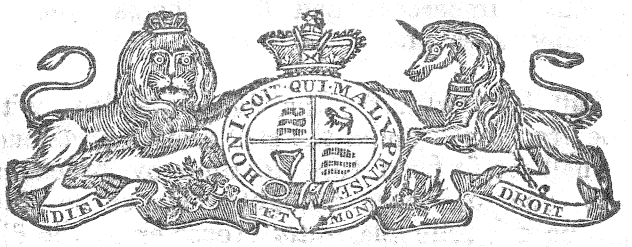

SLAUGHTER HOUSE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT ACT.

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

Session 2, No. 4.

ANALYSIS.

Title.
Preamble reciting Ordinance No. 5, of Session 8.
1. Sections 4 and 5 of recited Ordinance repealed.
2. Within districts constituted by recited Ordinance, public slaughter houses may be appointed.
3. All cattle slaughtered within a certain distance to be slaughtered at public slaughterhouse.
4. No cattle to be slaughtered within the limits of the city of Auckland.
5. Justice may grant warrant to inspect places to ascertain whether cattle are slaughtered contrary to law.
6. Superintendent may make rules for management of slaughter houses.
7. Superintendent may grant leases of public slaughter houses.
8. Rent to be paid over to Provincial Treasurer.
9. Penalty for taking animals dying of any disease into any place used for slaughtering cattle for human food.
10. Sheep infected with scab or catarrh not to slaughtered for sale.
11. Diseased cattle not to be slaughtered for sale.
12. Carcases of diseased cattle and meat unfit for human food not to be exposed for sale or sold.
13. Convicting justice may order any such carcase or meat to be seized and destroyed.
14. Foregoing Section except No. 1 to be construed as part of recited Ordinance.

AN ACT *to amend "an Ordinance for Regulating the Slaughtering of Cattle in certain places.* Title.

WHEREAS an Ordinance was enacted by the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice of the Legislative Council Preamble reciting Ordinance No. 5, Sess. 8.

thereof, Session 8, No. 5, intituled "an Ordinance for regulating the Slaughtering of Cattle in certain places;" *And whereas* it is expedient to amend the Law relative to the Slaughtering of Cattle, BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of Auckland, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof, as follows:

Sections 4 and 5 of recited ordinance repealed.

1. Sections numbered 4 and 5 of the said recited Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Within districts constituted by recited Ordinance public slaughter houses may be appointed.

2. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent within any district to be proclaimed under the said recited Ordinance when and as he shall see fit from time to time by proclamation to appoint that one or more Slaughter House or Slaughter Houses shall be a Public Slaughter House or Public Slaughter Houses, and any such Proclamation from time to time to alter or revoke: *Provided always* that there shall be no Public Slaughter House within the limits of the City of Auckland.

All cattle slaughtered within a certain distance to be slaughtered at public slaughter-house.

3. All cattle slaughtered within a certain distance of any public Slaughter House, for the purpose of sale, barter, shipping, or exportation, shall be slaughtered at a public Slaughter House and not elsewhere, and any person who shall within any such distance, slaughter any Cattle for any such purpose elsewhere than at a public Slaughter House shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding £10 for every head of Cattle so slaughtered. Such distance as aforesaid shall in respect of each Slaughter House be from time to time fixed by the Superintendent by Proclamation to be published in the *Auckland Provincial Government Gazette.*

No cattle to be slaughtered within the limits of the City of Auckland.

4. No cattle shall be slaughtered for any purpose whatever within the limits of the City of Auckland unless the same shall have become necessary on account of some accident or otherwise and the Inspector of Nuisances shall have granted a certificate to that effect; and any person who shall slaughter any cattle contrary to this provision shall forfeit and pay for every head of cattle so slaughtered any sum not exceeding £10.

Justice may grant warrant to ascertain if the cattle are slaughtered contrary to law.

5. If at any time it shall be made to appear on oath to the satisfaction of any Justice of the Peace that there is reasonable grounds to suspect that any cattle are slaughtered in any place whatever in violation of the provisions of any Law or force relating to Slaughter Houses or the slaughtering of Cattle, it shall be lawful for such Justice to grant a warrant under his hand authorizing any Inspector of Nuisances or any Constable, with their assistants, at any hour to enter into any such place for the purpose of ascertaining whether any violation of the Law has been committed therein.

6. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent from time to time to make rules and regulations as to him shall seem fit for the management of any public Slaughter House and securing the cleanliness thereof; and also for the government of persons slaughtering cattle and otherwise employed thereat; and any person who shall offend against any rule or regulation so made shall forfeit and pay for every such offence any sum not exceeding £5.

Superintendent may make rules for management of Public slaughter-houses.

7. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent at any time to lease for any time not exceeding one year any public Slaughter House subject to such powers and conditions as he shall think fit, *Provided always* that every such letting shall be either by public auction or public tender.

Superintendent may grant leases of public slaughter-houses.

8. Any sums of money received as the rent of any Slaughter House shall be handed over to the Provincial Treasurer or other duly appointed receiver, for the public uses of the Province and the support of the Government thereof.

Rent to be paid over to Provincial Treasurer.

9. AND WHEREAS it is expedient for the preservation of the public health to make provision for preventing the sale of meat unfit for human food: BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED that if any person shall in any part of the Province knowingly take or assist in taking into any Slaughter House used for the slaughtering of cattle intended for human food any animal or part of any animal which has died of any disease, he shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding £50.

Penalty for taking animals dying of any disease into any place used for slaughtering cattle for human food

10. If any person shall have in his possession for the purpose of slaughtering, or shall slaughter for sale, barter, shipping, or exportation, any sheep infected with either of the diseases called the scab or influenza or catarrh, he shall forfeit and pay for every such offence any sum not exceeding £20.

Sheep infected with scab or catarrh not to be slaughtered for sale

11. If any person shall have within his possession for the purpose of slaughtering or shall slaughter any cattle infected with any disease whatever rendering the same unwholesome or unfit for human food, he shall forfeit and pay for every such offence any sum not exceeding £20.

Diseased cattle not to be slaughtered for sale.

12. If any person shall wilfully expose for sale the carcase or any part thereof of any cattle infected with any such disease as aforesaid, or any meat otherwise unfit for human food, or shall sell or offer for sale any such carcase or any part thereof, or any such meat, he shall for every such offence forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding £20.

Carcases of diseased cattle and meat unfit for human food not to be exposed for sale or sold.

13. It shall be lawful for the convicting justice to direct any such carcase or part thereof, or any such meat as aforesaid,

Convicting justice may order any such carcase or meat to be seized and destroyed.

to be seized and destroyed, or otherwise disposed of in such manner as such justice shall think fit.

Foregoing sections except No. 1 to be construed as part of recited Ordinance.

14. All the several sections hereinbefore contained except the section numbered 1, shall be read and construed as part of the said recited Ordinance No. 5 of Sess. 8.

T. H. BARTLEY,
Speaker.

Passed the Provincial Council this 19th day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty-four.
ALEXANDER S. MARTIN,
Acting Clerk of Provincial Council.

On the fifth day of January, in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, I assent to this Act on behalf of the Governor.

R. H. WYNYARD,
Superintendent.