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At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Tuesday, the Fifteenth day of February, 1825, in the Sixth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Fourth, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c. &c. being the Fifth Session of the Twelfth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.

6 George IV – Chapter 22

## An Act to prevent the cruel treatment of Horses, Sheep or other Cattle, by Persons owning or having the charge of the same.

Be it enacted by the President, Council and Assembly, that if any person or persons owning or having the charge of any horses, sheep or other cattle, shall wantonly and cruelly maim, wound, or otherwise hurt any such horses, sheep or other cattle, such person or persons shall, upon conviction, before any one magistrate, by any one or more witnesses, forfeit for each and every offence a sum not exceeding three pounds, nor less than five shillings, and, on non-payment thereof, be committed to the gaol or house of correction, for a time not exceeding twenty days, at the discretion of the magistrate.

II. And be it further enacted, that the sum forfeited shall be paid, one half to the prosecutor, and the other half for the use of the poor of the parish in which the offence may be committed.