

Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1850. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1850.

13 Victoria – Chapter 7

An Act for the better prevention of Trespasses on Crown Lands and Private Property. Passed 11th April 1850.

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, whosoever shall wilfully and without legal authority therefor, cut and carry away, or cause to be cut and carried away, or being cut shall carry away, or cause to be carried away off any Lands, granted or ungranted, any trees, logs, or timber of any kind, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to be imprisoned in the common gaol of the County where the offence may be committed for any term not exceeding one year, or fined in any sum not exceeding fifty pounds, at the discretion of the Court.

II. And be it enacted, That when any such offence has been committed upon ungranted Lands, the property in the trees, logs or timber cut or carried away shall be laid to be in Her Majesty the Queen; and in case such offence had been committed upon granted Lands, the property in the trees, logs or timber so cut or carried away, may be laid to be in the owner of the freehold of such granted Lands; and in case such offence be committed upon Land held from the Crown, under lease or licence, the property in the trees, logs or timber so cut or carried away, may be laid to be in the lessee or licensee of such Land.

III. And be it enacted, That whenever any timber, trees or logs are cut and carried away from any grounds held under lease or licence from the Crown, the lessee or licensee may recover damages therefor in an action of trespass or replevin against the person or persons so cutting and carrying away, in any Court of competent jurisdiction, and such lessee or licensee, for the purpose of such action, shall be deemed and taken to be the owner of such property.

IV. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall in any wise affect any civil remedy of any parties injured by any such trespasses.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and' be in force for two years and no longer.