

*Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1852.* Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1852.

15 Victoria – Chapter 60

**An Act to prevent the placing and leaving of Poison for the destruction of animals on private property and on the public Roads and Streets in the City and County of Saint John. Passed 7th April 1852.**

Whereas much and serious evil has arisen from the practice of placing and leaving poison for the destruction of wild animals in the woods and fields on private property in the City and County of Saint John, and also on the public roads and streets therein, whereby many domestic animals have been destroyed;

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That whosoever shall wilfully place or leave poison of any kind on the property of any private individual or individuals, or of any Body Corporate, or on any of the public roads or streets in the City and County of Saint John, for the purpose of destroying animals whether wild or domestic, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to pay a fine of five pounds, to be recovered before any two Justices of the Peace in the said City and County of Saint John; which penalty when recovered shall be applied as follows, that is to say: one half part thereof, after paying all the necessary expenses of recovery, shall be paid to the informer or informers, upon whose information such conviction may be obtained, and the remaining half part to the Overseers of the Poor for the said City and County for the use of the poor thereof; in default of payment of the said fine, the party convicted as aforesaid shall be committed to the Provincial Penitentiary for a period not exceeding ten days nor less than two days, as the said Justices in their discretion shall think fit; and the said fine or imprisonment shall be in addition to any other legal remedy for loss or damage sustained by any party by means of such poison.