

Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1857. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1857.

20 Victoria – Chapter 21 Session 2

An Act relating to the Public Burial Grounds in the Parish of Saint Stephen. Passed 26th March 1857.

Section.

1. When and where burials to be unlawful.
2. Penalty, and recovery thereof.

Section.

3. No Burial Ground to be within one mile of River Saint Croix.

Whereas the Public Burial Grounds in connexion with the respective Denominations in Saint Stephen and Milltown, in the Parish of Saint Stephen, are much filled up with the interment of the dead, and it is apprehended that further interments may be detrimental to the health of the inhabitants of said places: And whereas a fit and commodious Public Cemetery has been provided, which Cemetery is incorporated by Act of General Assembly, intituled *An Act to incorporate the Saint Stephen Rural Cemetery*, made and passed in the nineteenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, and is at present under proper regulations, for the accommodation of the several Denominations whose Burial Grounds will be by this Act interfered with;—

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows:—

1. That upon and after the first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, it shall not be lawful to inter, bury or place the corpse of any deceased person within the Burial Grounds before named, in connexion with the several Denominations aforesaid, in Saint Stephen and Milltown, in the Parish of Saint Stephen.
2. That if any person or persons shall after the first day of May aforesaid, inter, bury or place any corpse within the said Burial Grounds, or shall aid or assist in interring, burying or placing any corpse within the said Burial Grounds, they shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty pounds, to be recovered by an action of debt in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Record in this Province, by and in the name of the Overseers of the Poor for the time being, in the Parish of Saint Stephen, to be paid to and applied by the Overseers of the Poor of said Parish, for the use of the Poor thereof; and it shall and may be lawful for any of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte, and they are hereby required to order and direct the disinterment and removal of any corpse interred, buried or placed in the said Burial Grounds, contrary to the provisions of this Act, and to cause the same to be decently interred in the Saint Stephen Rural Cemetery, in accordance with the regulations of the Corporation.
3. That no ground around the Villages of Saint Stephen and Milltown, in the Parish of Saint Stephen, shall be used or applied for the purpose of public burial or interment of the dead by any Denomination or body of Christians or others, that is not situate at least a distance of one mile

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from the River Saint Croix, under the penalty above named in Section second, and subject to the same provisions and requirements as in the said Section are set forth.