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THE Secretary of State for the Colonies is requested by the Government of the Cape of Good Hope to direct public attention to the fourth section of the subjoined Act of the Parliament of that Colony:—

*Department of Agriculture,
Cape of Good Hope, Cape Town,
October 4, 1893.*

Act No. 27 of 1893.

Promulgated 12th September, 1893.

Cape of Good Hope Act to prevent the Spread of Contagious and Infectious Diseases amongst Cattle and other Animals. Assented to 8th September, 1893.

Be it enacted by the Governor of the Cape of Good Hope, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly thereof, as follows:—

1. The Ordinance No. 5 of 1844, the Ordinance No. 1 of 1853, the Act No. 7 of 1866-67, the Cattle Diseases Act, 1868, and the Animals Diseases Act, 1881, and so much of any other law as may be repugnant to or inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed: Provided that the repeal of any of the aforesaid laws shall not affect any proceedings commenced before the passing of this Act.

2. For the purposes of this Act the following terms shall bear the following meanings:

“Animal” shall mean any horse, gelding, mare, mule, ass, bull, ox, cow, heifer, calf, sheep, goat, pig, or ostrich, and shall, for the purposes of sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, include “dogs” and “cats.”

“Occupier” shall mean:—

- (a.) Any person, company, or copartnership occupying or in possession of land other than Crown land, in respect of such land.
 - (b.) The Field-cornet in respect of public roads, outspans, and waste Crown lands within his field-cornetcy.
 - (c.) The Inspector of native locations in respect of locations on Government land, and in respect of locations on private land the owner or person in charge of such land.
 - (d.) The Chairman or, in his absence, the Town Clerk or Secretary of a Municipality or Village Management Board, in respect of lands, other than private property, roads and outspans, within the limits of such municipality or village.
- “Scab Inspector” shall mean any Inspector

appointed under the provisions of Act No. 28 of 1886, or of Act No. 33 of 1888.

PART I.—Importation.

3. It shall be the duty of the Port Captain, Harbour Master, or other officer of Government who shall first board any ship or vessel arriving at any of the ports of this Colony, to ask the master of such ship or vessel whether he has on board any animals within the meaning of this Act, mentioning such animals by their denominations; and should the said master reply in the affirmative, the Port Captain, Harbour Master, or other officer shall inform the said master of this Act and of any proclamation that may have been made thereunder, and deliver to him a copy of the same respectively.

4. From and after the 1st day of January, 1894, no animal brought from any place separated by sea from the Colony shall be landed at any place in the Colony from any ship, vessel, or boat, unless or until it be certified to the officer in command of such ship, vessel, or boat, under the hand of some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, that such animal is free from any infectious or contagious disease, and that it has been proved to the satisfaction of such person that such animal is not brought from some place beyond the Colony in respect to which the proclamation in the next section of this Act mentioned shall be in force; and any officer in command of any such ship, vessel or boat who shall land or permit to be landed therefrom, contrary to the provisions of this section of this Act, any such animal shall, for every such animal so landed or permitted to be landed, be liable to a fine of not exceeding one hundred pounds, and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding six months unless such fine be sooner paid.

5. It shall be lawful for the Governor by proclamation in the Gazette to prohibit the importation or introduction into this Colony from any place beyond the same in which any infectious or contagious disease affecting animals shall be known or supposed to be prevalent, of any such animals for such time as in such proclamation shall be mentioned, and from and after such proclamation and during the time mentioned therein, the master of any vessel or ship, and the owner of any boat, who shall knowingly land or permit to be landed from such vessel, ship or boat, and any other person who shall otherwise introduce into this Colony any such animals, contrary to the prohibition in such