**CROWN LANDS ACT 1846**

Full title: *To regulate the Occupation of Crown Lands in South Australia*

The key provisions in this act are:

* Repeal of the 1842 Act
* Justices of Peach can be delegated the authority of the Commissioner of Crown Lands to execute this Act
* Commissioners may take possession of Crown lands unlawfully occupied. Also to impound cattle trespassing on Crown lands
* Timber on Crown land is reserved for public use, except where it is used for domestic uses
* Cattle can only be depastured on waste lands with agreement of the Commissioner and payment of a rate.

Note: Prior to 1857 the colony of SA was ruled by a Governor responsible to the British Crown. Legislation was enacted by the Governor following consideration by a five person Council of Government and later expanded to seven and called the Legislative Council. No Hansard was prepared.

Acts passed between 1836 and 1857 are covered on this History of Agriculture site with the full title and summary of the key provisions of the Act.