**SCAB IN SHEEP ACT 1841**

Full title: *AN ACT to amend and extend the provisions of an Act intituled “An Act for preventing the extension of the infectious disease commonly called the Scab in Sheep or Lambs in the Province of South Australia.”*

The key provisions in this act are:

* Requirement for inspectors to prosecute and sue the owner of infected sheep. Also to provide assistance to sheep owners to manage infected sheep and clear them of disease.
* Penalties for the importation of diseased sheep to be reduced
* Power for removal of infected sheep from a property.

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.