**IMPOUNDING ACT 1856**

Full title: *An Act to amend an Ordinance, No3 of 1847, “To amend the Laws relating to the Impounding of Cattle*

The key provisions in this act are:

* Extension of some of the operating provisions of previous Acts
* Making it easier for Pound-keepers to sell impounded cattle
* Allow for the destruction of goats, pigs and fowls
* Penalties for person removing fence rails to allow cattle to trespass.

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.