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An Act to prevent the Unauthorised Occupation of Waste Lands of the Crown.

[Assented to 30th August, 1872.

WHEREAS it is expedient to prevent persons from occupying Preamble without license or authority the waste lands of the Crown: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia and its Dependencies, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :---

1. Any and every person not holding a license, lease or authority Persons in un-under the regulations for the sale, letting, disposal and occupation of matter of waste waste lands of the Crown, who either by himself or by his servants, Crown lands agents or workmen acting under his direction, shall be found in the hundred pounds

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unlawful and unauthorised use and occupation of any waste lands of the Crown either by depasturing stock thereon, or by residing, or by erecting any hut or building thereon, or by clearing, enclosing, fencing or cultivating the same or any part thereof, or by cutting, sawing, felling, splitting or removing timber and other trees (except sandalwood) thereon, being or by doing, or preparing to do, or having done any act, matter or thing thereon which in the opinion of the convicting Justice or Justices shall amount to an unlawful and unauthorised use and occupation thereof, he shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds.

Proof of lease to lie on the party accused 2. The onus of proof of such license, lease or authority shall lie on the party accused.

Short title

3. This Act may be cited for all purposes as 'The Waste Lands Unlawful Occupation Act, 1872.'

FRED. A. WELD, Governor.