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## BILL.

### An Act for the prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

**WHEREAS** it is right to make provision to prevent Preamble.  
cruelty to animals, and for punishing persons guilty  
thereof:—Be it therefore enacted, &c.

· That if any person shall from and after the passing of this Penalty for  
5 Act cruelly beat, ill-treat, over-drive, abuse or torture, or cruelty to  
cause or procure to be cruelly beaten, ill-treated, over- Animals.  
driven, abused or tortured, any animal, every such of-  
fender shall for every such offence forfeit and pay a  
penalty not exceeding *five* pounds.

10 II. And be it enacted, That if any person shall by As to damage  
cruelly beating, ill-treating, over-driving, abusing or done by per-  
torturing any animal, do any damage or injury to such sons guilty of  
animal, or shall thereby cause any damage or injury to cruelty to  
be done to any person or to any property, every such Animals.  
15 offender shall on conviction of such offence pay to the  
owner of such animal (if the offender shall not be the  
owner thereof), or to the person who shall sustain da-  
mage or injury as aforesaid, such sum of money by way of  
compensation, not exceeding the sum of *ten* pounds, as  
20 shall be ascertained and determined by the Justice of the  
Peace by whom such person shall have been convicted:  
Provided always, that the payment of such compensation,  
or any imprisonment for the non-payment thereof, shall  
not prevent or in any manner affect the punishment to  
25 which such person or the owner of such animal may be  
liable for or in respect of the beating, ill-treating or abus-  
ing of the said animal: Provided also, that nothing herein  
contained shall prevent any proceeding by action against  
such offender, or the employer of such offender, where  
30 the amount of damage or injury is not sought to be re-  
covered under this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That if any person shall con- Penalty for  
vey or carry or cause to be conveyed or carried in or conveying  
upon any vehicle any animal in such a manner or position Animals in a  
35 as to subject such animals to unnecessary pain or suffer- cruel manner.  
ing, every such person shall forfeit and pay a penalty not  
exceeding *three* pounds for the first offence, and a penalty  
of *five* pounds for the second and every subsequent  
offence.

40 IV. And be it enacted, That when and so often as any Apprehension  
of the offences against the provisions of this Act shall of offenders.