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An Act to amend the Law respecting the
Inspection of Leather and Raw Hides.

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An Act to amend the Law respecting the Inspection of
Leather and Raw Hides.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act passed in the twenty-^{Preamble.}
seventh and twenty-eighth years of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter
twenty-one, intituled: "An Act to regulate the Inspection of Raw
Hides and Leather"; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice
5 and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts
as follows:

1. No green raw hide weighing more than twenty pounds avoirdupois
produced within the limits of the inspectors of leather and raw hides
for the Cities of Quebec and Montreal shall be offered for sale or sold
10 within the said cities, unless it shall have previously been inspected in
accordance with the law; but this provision shall not apply to green
raw hides produced without the inspection limits of the said inspectors,
but every purchaser of such hides shall cause them to be inspected after
he shall have purchased or acquired them, and before selling them or
15 disposing of them in any way whatsoever.

Hides not to be sold within districts of inspection without having been first inspected.

2. Every such inspector shall mark or stamp, on each half-hide, the
net weight of such half-hide; and such hides or half-hides shall be in-
spected without the horns, muzzles, snouts or hoofs, and the Inspector,
if he is required so to do, shall give a certificate of the net weight of
20 such hide.

Duty of inspectors as to weight.

3. Every inspector shall subtract from the weight of each raw hide
all dirt and parts injured by knife-cuts, and any other thing which ought
not to be computed in the weight of the hides; he may also add to such
weight all that such hides may have lost by drying; the whole at his
25 discretion.

As to injured or unserviceable portions.

4. Every Inspector as aforesaid shall be entitled, for the inspection
of such hides, to a fee of five cents for each hide.

Inspection fee.

5. The following sub-section is added to section seventeen of the said
Act:
30 "But the Inspector shall not be responsible for any damage result-
ing from a deficit not exceeding five per cent. on the whole weight of
such leather by him inspected."

Damages from deficit.

6. The word "skin," in the nineteenth section of the said Act, shall
be replaced by the word "leather" in the English version thereof, and
35 the said section of the English version shall be read as if it contained
the said word "leather."

Amendment of sec. 19 of cited Act.

Sec. 35 partially repealed.

7. The thirty-fifth section of the said Act is hereby repealed, in so far as it relates to the Cities of Quebec and Montreal.

Punishment of offences.

8. Every offence against the provisions of this Act shall be punished by a fine of not more than eighty dollars, for the recovery whereof a suit may be brought, heard and decided in the manner and form prescribed by the said Act, and the amount recovered shall be applied as directed by the said Act.

Application.

9. This Act shall apply to Lower Canada only.