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An Act to prevent Railway Companies running Locomotives or Railway Carriages on the Lord's Day.

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WHEREAS it is expedient to prevent Railway Companies running Locomotives or Railway Carriages on the Lord's Day, commonly called "Sunday;" therefore Her Majesty &c., enacts as follows:

Preamble.

I. From and after the passing of this Act, it shall not be lawful for any Railway Company or Companies, their officers, servants, employees or agents, or any other person or persons whatsoever, to work, employ, use or run for Public Traffic, Locomotives Railway Carriages or other Carriages used or employed on Railways, on the Lord's Day.

Railway carriages not to be used for traffic on Sunday.

II. If any officer, servant, employee, or agent, of any Railway Company or Companies, or any other person, or persons, shall from and after the passing of this Act, work, employ, use or run, by steam or otherwise, for public Traffic, any Locomotive, or Locomotives, Railway Carriage, or other Carriages, used on Railways,—such officer, servant, employee, or agent, or any other person or persons, being convicted thereof before any one or more of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, within the Parish or County in which the offence shall have been committed, upon the oath of one or more credible witness or witnesses,—such person, officer, servant, employee or agent, shall, upon conviction as aforesaid, forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding £ nor less than £ for the first offence, in the discretion of the Justice or Justices before whom such conviction shall be had, with all reasonable costs both before and after conviction, and for a second or any subsequent offence the offender shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding £ nor less than £ in the discretion of such convicting Justice, and costs: And in default of immediate payment of such penalty and costs the offender shall be committed to the common Gaol of any District or County for a period not exceeding unless such penalty and costs be sooner paid.

Punishment of persons contravening this Act.

First offence.

Subsequent offence.

III. One moiety of every pecuniary penalty under this Act shall belong to the Informer or Prosecutor, and the other moiety to the Municipality in which the conviction shall be had for the uses thereof.

Application of penalty.