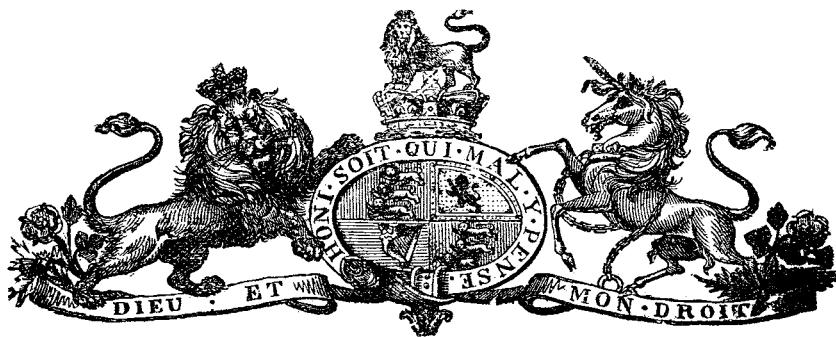


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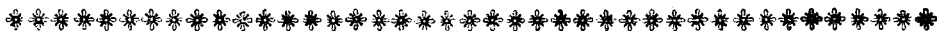


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No. 7.



AN ACT to prevent unauthorised Disclosure A.D. 1891.
of Information relating to the Defences of
Tasmania. [19 August, 1891.]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of *Tasmania*, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows :—

1 This Act may be cited as “The Safety of Defences Act, 1891.” Short title.

2 It shall not be lawful for any person, whether a British subject or an alien, to make, for the purpose of wrongfully obtaining information, any sketch, drawing, photograph, picture, or painting of any battery, field-work, or fortification in *Tasmania*, or of any portion thereof. Sketching, &c. on fortifications prohibited, save by permission.

3 Any person who offends against the provisions of the last preceding section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding One hundred Pounds, or, at the discretion of the Justices, to be imprisoned, with or without hard labour, for any period not exceeding Three months ; and all sketches, drawings, photographs, pictures, and paintings, and all tools, and all materials or apparatus for sketching, drawing, photographing, or painting, found in his possession shall be liable to be forfeited. Penalty.

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Penalty on persons found on fortifications with sketching materials, &c.

4 Any person who enters or approaches any battery, field-work, or fortification with materials or apparatus for sketching, drawing, photographing, or painting in his possession, with the intention of committing any breach of the provisions of this Act, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Twenty pounds, and all tools, and all materials or apparatus for sketching, drawing, photographing, or painting, found in his possession shall be liable to be forfeited.

Penalty on persons trespassing.

5 Any person found trespassing on any enclosed battery, field-work, or fortification may be summarily removed therefrom by any officer or member of the Defence Force or any officer of police, and shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

Penalty on communicating information respecting defences.

6 Any officer or member of the Defence Force or officer of the Civil Service who communicates to any person, otherwise than in the course of his official duty, any plans, documents, or other information relating to any battery, field-work, or fortification in *Tasmania*, or to any other defences of the Colony, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall on conviction be liable to imprisonment for any term not exceeding Two years, and to a fine not exceeding One hundred Pounds.

Offences dealt with summarily.

19 Vict. No. 8.

7 All offences against this Act, and all penalties imposed by this Act, shall be heard and determined and recovered in a summary way by and before any Two or more Justices of the Peace in the mode prescribed by *The Magistrates Summary Procedure Act*: Provided, that no such offence shall be heard or determined except by or with the consent of the Attorney-General or Solicitor-General.