**SCAB IN SHEEP ACT 1840**

Full title: *An ACT for preventing the Extension of the infectious Disease commonly called the Scab in Sheep or Lambs in the Province of South Australia.*

The key provisions in this act are:

* Inspectors to investigate complaints about the introduction of sheep into South Australia infected with scab
* Requirements placed on the owner of scab infected sheep to disclose and remedy

Note: Prior to 1857 the colony of SA was ruled by a Governor responsible to the British Crown. Legislation was enacted by the Governor following consideration by a five person Council of Government and later expanded to seven and called the Legislative Council. No Hansard was prepared.

Acts passed between 1836 and 1857 are covered on this History of Agriculture site with the full title and summary of the key provisions of the Act.