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Private Act.

An Act to secure to James Craig, during the term of fourteen Years, within the Province of South Australia, the exclusive right to manufacture and use a certain new and improved Machine for the reaping and dressing of Corn.

[Assented to, 19th November, 1857.]

WHEREAS James Craig, of Morphett Vale, in the Province of South Australia, farmer, is the original and true inventor of a certain improved machine for the reaping and dressing of corn, which machine is new in principle, and would be productive of great advantage to the community if it were generally employed: And whereas the said James Craig is willing to make such his discovery public upon having the exclusive right to manufacture and use the said improved machine for the reaping and dressing of corn secured to him, within the said Province for the term of fourteen years, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, and it would be for the advantage of the said Province that such discovery should be made public, and for that purpose it is expedient to grant and secure to the said James Craig, the rights, powers, and privileges hereinafter expressed and contained: Be it therefore Enacted, by the Governor-in-Chief of the Province of South Australia, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows—

1. From and after the passing of this Act the full power, exclusive right, and sole privilege of manufacturing and using the said invention according to the specification or description thereof, to be made and enrolled as hereinafter provided, shall belong to and be vested in and enjoyed by the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, and assigns, and that the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, and assigns, by himself, his deputy, or deputies, servants, or agents, or such others as the said James Craig, his executors, administrators,
administrators, and assigns, shall from time to time agree with or license for that purpose and no others, from time to time and at all times hereafter, during the term of fourteen years after the passing of this Act, to be fully complete and ended, shall and lawfully may make, use, exercise and vend his said invention, or make or construct any machines or implements, according thereto, within the said Province of South Australia, and for and during the said period of fourteen years shall have and enjoy the whole profit and advantage arising by reason of the said invention.

2. If any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, shall, at any time during the said period of fourteen years, either directly or indirectly, do, make, use, or put in practice the said invention, or any part of the same, or shall in anywise counterfeit, imitate, or resemble the same, or make any addition to or subtraction from the same, without the licence, consent, or agreement of the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, and assigns, in writing under his hand first had and obtained, such person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, so doing, making, using, counterfeiting, imitating, or resembling, making any addition to or subtraction from the said invention, without such licence as aforesaid, shall, in addition to all other penalties or consequences to which they may be liable for the infringement of the provisions hereof, be answerable to the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, and assigns, according to law, for his and their damages thereby occasioned.

3. If it shall be made to appear to the Governor and the Executive Council, that the rights, powers, and privileges hereby given to and conferred upon the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, and assigns, are contrary to law, or that the same are or may be hurtful, prejudicial, or inconvenient to the subjects of Her Majesty residing in the said Province, or that the said invention is not a new invention, or is not the invention of the said James Craig, or if the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, or assigns, shall use or imitate any invention or work which hath been invented by any of Her Majesty’s subjects, and publicly used and practised within the said Province of South Australia, or any of the dominions of Her Majesty, or if the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, or assigns, shall not within six months from the passing hereof, fully and particularly describe and ascertain the nature of the said invention, and the particular construction of the said machine, and in what manner the same is to be used, constructed, or employed, by an instrument in writing under his hand, enrolled in the Supreme Court of the said Province, that then and in any or either of the said cases, the rights, powers, and privileges hereby granted to the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, and assigns, shall cease and determine, and be utterly void and of none effect.

4. Nothing herein contained shall affect or be construed to affect the rights of Her Majesty, Her successors, or assigns, or of any bodies politic
politic or corporate, or of any of Her Majesty's subjects, save and except the said James Craig, his executors, administrators, and assigns.

5. A copy of this Act, printed by the Government Printer, shall be admitted as evidence thereof by all Judges, Justices, and others.