CHAPTER 129.
[S. B. 164.]

CASCARA BARK.

An Act relating to cascara bark; regulating cutting, peeling, selling, shipping and disposing of same; and prescribing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to cut, peel, sell, ship or otherwise dispose of any cascara bark unless the person, firm or corporation cutting the same shall secure a written permit from the legal owner of the land upon which such cascara bark is cut or peeled. In the case of any state land the written permit shall be secured from the Commissioner of Public Lands. Where the cascara bark is cut or peeled by a person who is the owner of the land from which such cascara bark is cut or peeled, such owner shall supply the permit hereinbefore provided for. Such permit shall describe the land by legal description.

SEC. 2. Any person, firm or corporation cutting or peeling any cascara bark upon the land of another shall observe the following requirements:

(a) All trees must be felled prior to peeling.

(b) No trees of less than three (3) inches in diameter may be fallen, cut or peeled.

(c) Peeling must be carried on consistently and currently within each stand, group of trees or cutting
area as may be indicated by the legal owner or the Commissioner of Public Lands.

(d) Stumps must be left at least six (6) inches in height above the ground and no bark is to be injured or removed from the stump.

(e) All limbs and branches must be peeled down to a diameter of one and one-half (1½) inches or less.

(f) Where trees grow from a common source, such as an old stump or root, the falling, cutting and peeling practice shall be such as will provide for all trees three (3) inches in diameter or less to be left without injury.

(g) Special efforts must be made to prevent injury to small sprouts growing below the stump line.

(h) In peeling or taking such bark, he, they or it shall take every precaution against the start or spread of fire, and, when required so to do by the owner or the Commissioner of Public Lands, shall keep and maintain on the premises such fire-fighting equipment as they shall prescribe.

Penalty for violation.

Sec. 3. Any violation of the provisions of this act shall constitute a misdemeanor.

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