

## Conspiracy, and Protection of Property Act 1875

## **1875 CHAPTER 86**

## Miscellaneous

## 7 Penalty for intimidation or annoyance by violence or otherwise.

Every person who, with a view to compel any other person to abstain from doing or to do any act which such other person has a legal right to do or abstain from doing, wrongfully and without legal authority,—

- 1. Uses violence to or intimidates such other person or his wife or children, or injures his property; or,
- 2. Persistently follows such other person about from place to place; or,
- 3. Hides any tools, clothes, or other property owned or used by such other person, or deprives him of or hinders him in the use thereof; or,
- 4. Watches or besets the house or other place where such, other person resides, or works, or carries on business, or happens to be, or the approach to such house or place; or,
- 5. Follows such other person with two or more other persons in a disorderly manner in or through any street or road,

shall, on conviction thereof by a court of summary jurisdiction, or on indictment as herein-after mentioned, be liable either to pay a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds, or to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding three months, with or without hard labour.

Attending at or near the house or place where a person resides, or works, or carries on business, or happens to be, or the approach to such house or place, in order merely to obtain or communicate information, shall not be deemed a watching or besetting within the meaning of this section.