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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

No. 10.—1917.

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I ASSENT,

J. R. CHANCELLOR,
Governor.

23rd May, 1917.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the law relating to Trading with the Enemy and the export of prohibited goods.

[23rd May, 1917.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods Ordinance, 1917. Short Title.

2. If, for the purpose of obtaining any licence, authority, or approval for any transaction or matter under or in connection with any Proclamation or Ordinance relating to trading with the enemy, or for the purpose of obtaining a licence to export any goods the exportation of which without a license is prohibited under any Proclamation, any person— Penalties for false statements, &c.

(a) makes or presents any declaration or statement or representation which is false in any material particular; or



- (b) produces a guarantee certificate or undertaking which is false in any material particular, or has not been given by the person by whom it purports to have been given, or which has been in any way altered or tampered with ;

he shall be liable, on conviction before a Magistrate, to a fine not exceeding £500 or, alternatively, in the case of goods for export, treble the value of the goods, or to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding three months, or to both such fine and imprisonment, unless he proves that he had taken all reasonable steps to ascertain the truth of the statements made or contained in any document so presented or produced or to satisfy himself of the genuineness of the guarantee certificate or undertaking.

Penalty for
mutilation of
documents,
&c.

3. Where a person has been authorised under Section 4 of the Trading with the Enemy (Consolidation) Ordinance, 1915, to inspect the books and documents of any person, firm, or company, and any book or document is found by him to have been destroyed, mutilated, or falsified, any person having or having had control of such book or document shall be guilty of a misdemeanour and liable to the same punishment as if he had been guilty of trading with the enemy unless he proves that the destruction, mutilation, or falsification was not intended for the purpose of concealing any transaction which would constitute an offence of trading with the enemy.

Amendment
of Section 3(1)
of No. 3 of
1915.

4. Section 3 (1) of the Trading with the Enemy (Consolidation) Ordinance, 1915, is amended by inserting the words "not exceeding" before the figures "£500" in line 11 thereof.

Removal of
doubts as to
No. 1 of 1916,
&c.

5. For removing doubts, it is hereby declared—

- (a) that in Section 3 of the Customs (War Powers) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1916, (which relates to penalties in respect of the exportation of goods in contravention of any Proclamation under Section 92 of the Customs Ordinance (No. 178)), the reference to goods exported includes goods brought to any quay or other place to be shipped for exportation in the Colony; and

(b) that in Section 160 of the Customs Ordinance (No. 178) (which relates to illegal dealings in goods subject to prohibitions and restrictions), the references to prohibited or restricted goods and to any prohibitions and restrictions include (except where the context otherwise requires) references to goods, the exportation of which is prohibited or restricted, and to prohibitions and restrictions on the export of goods.

Passed in Council this Eleventh day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

J. M. FARFAN,
Acting Clerk of the Council.
