

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

No. 14—1927.

I ASSENT,

[L.S.]

H. A. BYATT,
Governor.

5th December, 1927.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Merchant Shipping
Ordinance.

[5th December, 1927.]

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 Merchant Shipping Short title.
(Amendment) Ordinance, 1927, and shall be read as one Construction.
with the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, hereinafter called Cap. 123.
the Principal Ordinance.

2. The following section is inserted in the Principal Penalty for
Ordinance as section 6A :— receiving
remuneration
from seamen
for engage-
ment

6A. Any person who—

(1) asks, receives or obtains or agrees or attempts
to receive or obtain any property or benefit

of any kind for himself or any other person for providing any seaman or any person seeking employment as a seaman with employment as a seaman ; or

(2) gives or pays directly or indirectly any remuneration whatsoever or agrees, promises or offers to give or pay directly or indirectly any remuneration whatsoever for providing any seaman or any person seeking employment as a seaman with employment as a seaman shall be liable on summary conviction before a Magistrate to a penalty not exceeding £5.

Amendment
of s. 11 of
Cap. 123.

3. Section 11 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by deleting the word "passengers" in the fourth line from the end of the section and substituting therefor the word "persons."

Amendment
of s. 12 of
Cap. 123.

4. Section 12 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by deleting the word "passengers" in the seventh line thereof and substituting therefor the word "persons."

Amendment
of s. 15 (1) of
Cap. 123.

5. Section 15 (1) of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by deleting the words "or having on board a larger number of persons than is allowed by such certificate" where they occur in the eleventh and twelfth lines of the sub-section.

Proportion of
persons carried
to tonnage of
ship.

6. The following section is inserted in the Principal Ordinance as section 19A :—

19A.—(1) If the Master or owner of any ship shall receive or have on board within the territorial waters of the Colony a greater number of persons than in the proportion of one statute adult for every ton of the ship's tonnage, he shall be liable on summary conviction before a Magistrate to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds, and also to an additional fine not exceeding ten shillings for every individual on board in excess of the number so allowed.

(2) An officer of a port to which a ship has gone from the Colony may sign a statement in writing as to the number of persons which such ship brought to that port from the Colony, and may transmit such statement to the Harbour Master; and any such statement which purports to be signed by such officer shall be accepted in all courts of law in the Colony as *prima facie* evidence of the number of persons on board such ship within the territorial waters of the Colony.

Passed in Council this twenty-fifth day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

E. F. AANENSEN,

Acting Clerk of the Council.
