

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

Country Markets.

No. 30.—1905.

2nd October.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the regulation of certain public markets.

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H. M. JACKSON,

GOVERNOR.

16th October, 1905.

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 Country Markets Ordinance, 1905. Short title.

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Executive Council from time to time by Proclamation to be published in the *Royal Gazette* to declare any premises, not being within the limits of any Borough, to be a public market. Every such proclamation may at any time be revoked, and thereupon the premises specified therein shall cease to be a public market. Governor may proclaim markets.

3. It shall be lawful for the person in charge of any market proclaimed hereunder from time to time to demand and take from every person occupying or using any stand, Power to charge rent for stalls, etc.

stall, table, shed, pen or place or using any weighing machine in any such market, such rents fees and charges as may be from time to time fixed by Bye-laws made under this Ordinance.

Bye-laws and regulations.

4. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Executive Council from time to time to make alter and repeal Bye-laws and Regulations with regard to markets proclaimed under this Ordinance for all or any of the following purposes, that is to say:—

- (a.) For regulating the use of markets and of stalls, tables and places therein.
- (b.) For preventing nuisances or obstructions in markets or in the immediate approaches thereto.
- (c.) For fixing the times during which markets shall be open.
- (d.) For excluding and removing all persons suffering from contagious disease or from any skin or other disease rendering such person in the opinion of the person in charge of a market unfit to sell in such market.
- (e.) For regulating the use of weighing machines belonging to or used in or in connection with the market and preventing the use of false or defective weights, scales or machines by any person selling in a market.
- (f.) For prescribing the conditions subject to which stalls, tables and places shall be held or occupied or used by any person hiring or using or desirous of hiring or using the same.
- (g.) For maintaining order and preventing any disturbance in such market by fighting or disorderly behaviour.
- (h.) For fixing the rents, fees and charges, to be made for the use of stalls, tables and places.
- (i.) And generally such other bye-laws and regulations as may be deemed necessary for the good government of markets.

Such Bye-laws and Regulations may impose pecuniary penalties not exceeding Forty shillings on persons breaking any of such Bye-laws or Regulations.

Such penalties may be recovered in a summary manner upon complaint made in the name of the person in charge of the market, and together with all rents, fees and charges received shall be payable to the Receiver-General for the use of the Colony. The form of procedure in all cases against persons offending against Bye-laws or Regulations made hereunder shall be that prescribed by the Summary Conviction Offences (Procedure) Ordinance (No. 1.)

5. If any person liable under this Ordinance for the payment of any rent fee or charge does not pay the same when required so to do by the person in charge of a market, the same may be recovered by distress and sale of a sufficient part of the goods in respect of which such rent, fee or charge is payable, or of any other goods in the market belonging to or under the charge of the person liable to pay such rent, fee or charge; or such rent fee or charge may be recovered as a debt due to the person in charge of the market in any Court having competent jurisdiction.

Recovery of
rents, fees and
charges.

Passed in Council this Second day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five.

HARRY L. KNAGGS,
Acting Clerk of the Council.
