TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

Census.

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AN ORDINANCE for taking the Census of the Colony for the year 1901.

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HUBERT E. H. JERNINGHAM,

GOVERNOR.

13th February, 1900.

WHEREAS it is expedient to take the Census of this Colony in the year One thousand Nine hundred and one: Be it enacted by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

Instructions and forms.

1. The Governor shall cause to be prepared and printed for the use of the persons to be employed in taking the Census such forms and instructions as he deems necessary; and all such forms and instructions shall be issued to the persons for whose use they are intended, and all the expenses which are incurred by the authority of the Governor under this Ordinance shall be paid out of the public revenue of the Colony.

Enumeration areas.

2. The Governor shall form the town of Port-of-Spain and the Boroughs of San Fernando and Arima and each Ward in this Colony, including in every such

Ward any Town situate within the limits of such Ward, into several enumeration districts for the purposes of this Ordinance, and shall appoint such persons as he sees fit as enumerators for each of such districts, and shall assign a particular portion of such districts to each of such enumerators.

Schedules.

3. Schedules shall be prepared by or under the direction of the Governor for the purpose of being filled up, by or on behalf of the several occupiers of plantations and dwelling-houses, as hereinafter provided, with particulars of the name, sex, age, rank, profession or occupation, condition, birthplace and religious persuasion of every living person who abode in or upon every plantation or house on the night of Sunday, the Seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and one, and also whether any were blind, or deaf and dumb, and the enumerators under this Ordinance shall in the course of the week ending on Sunday, the Seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and one, leave or cause to be left at every plantation and at every dwelling-house not being upon a plantation within their respective Sub-districts, one or more of the said Schedules for the managers of such plantations and the occupier or occupiers of such dwelling-house or of any part thereof; and upon every such Schedule shall be plainly expressed that it is to be filled up by the manager of such plantation and the occupier of such dwelling-house and, where such dwelling-house is let in different stories or apartments and occupied distinctly by different persons or families, by the occupier of each such distinct story or apartment, and that the enumerator will collect all such Schedules within his Sub-district on the Monday then next following.

Enumerators of Plantations.

4. The owner, manager or other person having the superintendence of and residing upon any plantation, shall act as enumerator of such plantation.

Persons required to fill up Schedules.

5. Every person for the time being having the superintendence of and residing upon any plantation, and every occupier of any dwelling-house or of any distinct

story or apartment in any dwelling-house, with or for whom any such Schedule is left as aforesaid, shall fill up the said Schedule to the best of his knowledge and belief, so far as relates to all persons dwelling upon such plantation or in the house, story or apartment occupied by him, and shall sign his name thereunto, and shall deliver the Schedule so filled up or cause the same to be delivered to the enumerator when required so to do; and every such person having the superintendence of a plantation and every such occupier who wilfully refuses or without lawful excuse neglects to fill up the said Schedule to the best of his knowledge and belief or to sign and deliver the same as herein required, or who wilfully makes, signs or delivers, or causes to be made, signed or delivered, any false return of all or any of the matters specified in the said Schedule, shall forfeit a sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Collection of Schedules.

6. The enumerators shall visit every plantation or house in their respective Sub-districts, and shall collect all the Schedules so left within their Sub-districts so far as may be possible on Monday, the Eighth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and one, and shall complete such of the Schedules as upon delivery thereof to them appear to be defective, and correct such as they find to be erroneous, and shall add a Schedule containing an account according to the best information which they are able to obtain of all the other persons living within their Sub-district who are not included in the Schedules so collected by them, and shall abstract, copy or otherwise deal with such Schedules and generally act for the purpose of carrying out this section as directed by the Governor.

General duties of enumerators.

7. Every enumerator shall take an account of the occupied houses and of the houses in building and uninhabited and of all other uninhabited houses within his Sub-district, and shall also take an account of all such particulars hereinbefore mentioned and none other as by the forms and instructions which may be issued under this Ordinance he may be directed to inquire into, and

shall deliver the Schedules collected by him to the Superintendent-Registrar of the town of Port-of-Spain where the enumeration Sub-district is within the town of Port-of-Spain, or to the Superintendent-Registrar of the Borough of San Fernando where the enumeration district is within the Borough of San Fernando or to the Superintendent-Registrar of the Borough of Arima where the enumeration district is within the Borough of Arima, and to the Warden of the Ward where the enumeration district is within any Ward, and shall sign a form of declaration to the effect that the said Schedules have been truly and faithfully collected, and where necessary completed and corrected by him, and that to the best of his knowledge the same are complete and correct so far as may be known; which form of declaration shall be prepared under the direction of the Governor, and issued with the forms and instructions aforesaid.

Return of Schedules to Registrar-General.

8. The Superintendent-Registrar or the Warden to whom such Schedules are delivered shall examine the same, and satisfy himself whether the instructions in each case have been punctually fulfilled, and if not, shall cause any defect or inaccuracy to be supplied, so far as is practicable, and when the Schedules have been made as accurate as is practicable, the Superintendent-Registrar or the Warden shall on or before the Fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, return all the Schedules which have been delivered to him to the Registrar-General.

Abstract of Returns.

9. The Governor shall cause an abstract to be made of the said returns, and such abstract shall be printed and laid before the Legislative Council as soon as conveniently may be, and not later than the first meeting of the Council in the year 1902.

Enumerators of Gaols, &c.

10. The keeper or person in charge of every gaol, prison, lockup-house, reformatory, hospital or asylum, shall act as enumerator of the inmates thereof.

Returns of houseless persons.

11. The Governor shall obtain by such ways and means as appear to him best adapted for the purpose, returns of the particulars required by this Ordinance

with respect to all houseless persons and all persons who during the said night of Sunday, the Seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and one, were travelling or on shipboard or for any other reason were not abiding in any house of which account is to be taken by the enumerators and other persons as aforesaid, and shall include such returns in the abstract to be made by him as aforesaid.

Allowances.

12. The Governor shall cause to be prepared a table of allowances to be made to the several enumerators, Superintendent-Registrars, Wardens and other persons employed in the execution of this Ordinance, and such table shall be laid before the Legislative Council on or before the First day of March, one thousand nine hundred and one.

Payment of Allowances.

13. There shall be paid out of the public funds of the Colony, under the warrant of the Governor, the whole amount of the allowances to which the Superintendent-Registrars, Wardens, enumerators and other persons in each district, are severally entitled according to the said table: Provided always that no such payment shall be made to any enumerator or other person required to act as an enumerator under this Ordinance, but upon production of a certificate under the hand of the Superintendent-Registrar of the town of Port-of-Spain, where the enumeration district is within the town of Port-of-Spain, or of the Superintendent-Registrar of the Borough of San Fernando where the enumeration district is within the Borough of San Fernando, or of the Superintendent-Registrar of the Borough of Arima where the enumeration district is within the Borough of Arima or of the Warden of the ward where the enumeration district is within any ward, certifying that the duties required of such enumerator or other person have been faithfully performed, and the like certificate under the hand of the Registrar-General with respect to the Superintendent-Registrars and Wardens before any payment is made to such Superintendent-Registrars or Wardens.

Offences by persons employed under Ordinance.

14. Every Superintendent-Registrar and Warden and every enumerator and other person required to act as enumerator making wilful default in any of the matters required of him by this Ordinance, or making any wilfully false declaration, shall for every such wilful default or wilfully false declaration forfeit a sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Failure to answer questions truly.

15. The Governor shall cause instructions to be prepared containing such questions as he deems proper to be put in order to give effect to this Ordinance, and the enumerators or other persons employed in the execution of this Ordinance shall be authorized to ask all such questions, and every person refusing to answer or wilfully giving a false answer to such questions or any of them, and every person wilfully obstructing any enumerator or other person employed in the execution of this Ordinance, shall, for every such refusal or wilfully false answer, or wilful obstruction, forfeit a sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

Procedure.

16. All penalties imposed by this Ordinance may be recovered in a summary manner before any Stipendiary Justice of the Peace, and the procedure shall be according to the Summary Conviction Offences (Procedure) Ordinance, 1895, (No. 47 of 1895) or any Ordinance amending the same.

Passed in Council this Fifth day of February, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred.

S. W. KNAGGS,
Clerk of the Council.