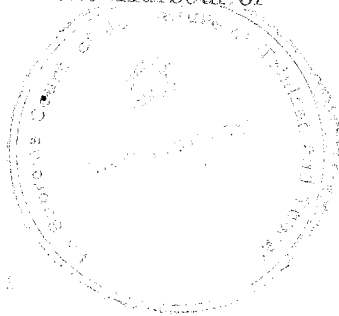


No. 1.—1896.

10th February, 1896.

AN ORDINANCE to authorize the imposition of Harbour Dues for the Improvement of the Harbour of Port-of-Spain.



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F. NAPIER BROOME,

GOVERNOR.

12th March, 1896.

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 Port-of-Short Title. Spain Harbour Dues Ordinance, 1896.”

2. From and after the 1st day of July, 1896, the following Harbour Improvement Dues shall be levied and paid on the cargo landed at or shipped from any Port in this Island, that is to say:—

Scale of dues to be levied.

- (1.) Ships over 60 tons to pay two pence half-penny per ton to be computed on the weight or measurement of goods landed, transhipped

or shipped as shown by the Bills of Lading or otherwise to the satisfaction of the Collector of Customs.

Subject however, to the right of the master to elect to pay at the rate of five pence per ton on the register tonnage of such ship, in which case it shall be lawful for such master to discharge and load a full cargo without the payment of any further charge.

- (2.) Ships arriving in ballast to load to be charged two pence half-penny per ton on the cargo shipped.

Provided that vessels arriving and departing in ballast shall be free from payment of any dues.

Provided also that ships of and under 20 tons shall be free from payment of such dues.

Provided also that ships of 60 tons and under shall pay a commuted fee in respect of both the inward and outward cargo at the time of entry according to the following scale :—

- (1.) Ships over 20 and under 30 tons burthen to pay four shillings.
- (2.) Ships from 30 to 40 tons to pay five shillings.
- (3.) Ships of 40 to 50 tons to pay six shillings.
- (4.) Ships of 50 to 60 tons to pay eight shillings.

Time of pay-
ment for
vessels of 60
tons and over.

3. The dues payable by ships of 60 tons burthen and upwards shall be paid on the inward cargo at the time of entry, and on the outward cargo at the time of clearance on a freight account according to the form in the

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Schedule to this Ordinance or such other form as may be prescribed by the Governor. Schedule.

4. Such freight account shall be furnished to the Collector of Customs or Sub-Collector by the master or agent of the owner in duplicate, and shall be declared to by him. Freight account to whom to be furnished.

Provided that in the case of steamships such account may be furnished by the agent of the owner and the dues paid within 24 hours after the arrival or departure of such steamships.

5. If the master of any ship or his agent or the agent of the owner of any steamship shall fail to render such account and to pay such dues or if the particulars or any of them contained in such account shall be false, such master or agent shall be liable to a penalty of One hundred Pounds. Penalty.

6. All dues collected and all penalties recovered under this Ordinance shall be paid by the Collector and Sub-Collector of Customs to the Receiver-General, who shall keep an account of all dues received and penalties recovered under this Ordinance. Dues to be paid to Receiver-General.

7. All dues received and penalties recovered under this Ordinance shall be appropriated and applied towards the payment of interest and sinking fund and the redemption of the loan of £100,000 authorized to be raised by the Railway Extension and Public Works Loan Ordinance, 1895. Appropriation.

8. The provisions of the Customs Ordinance, 1880, shall apply to the recovery of penalties incurred under this Ordinance. Application of Customs Ordinance

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Interpretation. 9. In this Ordinance the term

“Sub-Collector” means the Sub-Collector of Customs having jurisdiction in any particular place.

“Master” means the person having or taking the charge or command of any ship.

“Agent of the owner” means the person or firm doing the business of any steam vessel other than the master thereof.

“Ship” includes a boat or other vessel of any description.

10. This Ordinance shall not apply to Tobago.

Passed in Council this Tenth day of February, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

S. W. KNAGGS,
Clerk of the Council.

SCHEDULE.

Port of

PORT-OF-SPAIN HARBOUR DUES ORDINANCE, 1896.

HARBOUR IMPROVEMENT DUES.

Ship's name
Registered Tonnage
Name of Master or Agent

CARGO.

Marks.	Numbers.	Packages and description of goods to be landed, transhipped or shipped (as the case may be).	Amount of dues payable.

I, _____, Master (or Agent as the case may be) of the ship above-named, do declare that the particulars set forth above are correctly stated.

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