

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

Technical Education.

No. 14.—1906.

21st May.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the promotion of
Industrial Education.

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HUGH CLIFFORD,

ACTING GOVERNOR.

15th June, 1906.

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 Industrial Training Ordinance 1906. Short title.

2. It shall be lawful for the father of any boy above the age of fourteen and under the age of eighteen years, or in case such boy has no father for the mother of such boy, or in case such boy has no father or mother, for the person having the charge of and maintaining such boy, to bind such boy for any term not exceeding five years to be an apprentice in the trade of a Carpenter and Joiner, or of a Mason, Plumber, Smith and Fitter, Printer, or Shipwright, or in any other trade or craft proclaimed by the Governor for that purpose; and any such contract shall be as effectual to all intents and purposes as if such boy being of full age Binding boy as apprentice.

by deed of covenant had bound himself. Provided that any such contract shall at the option of such boy be determinable upon his attaining the age of majority.

Every proclamation of any trade by the Governor under this Ordinance shall be published at least twice in the *Royal Gazette*.

Appointment
of Board.

3.—(1.) There shall be appointed from time to time by the Governor such fit persons not exceeding nine to be a Board of Industrial Training, (hereinafter called "the Board"), three of whom shall be employers of artisans, and three of whom shall be persons skilled in and actually engaged in one or more of the trades to which boys may be apprenticed under this Ordinance.

(2.) Every such appointment shall be for a term of three years, but may for any reasonable cause be revoked by the Governor before the expiration of such term. During the temporary absence of any member of the Board, the Governor may appoint some fit person to act in his stead.

(3.) No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Board unless at least five of its members be present.

(4.) The Governor shall from time to time nominate from the members appointed under Sub-section (1) hereof a Chairman of the Board.

Incorporation
of Board.

4. The Board is hereby incorporated and may sue and be sued in its corporate name of "The Board of Industrial Training of Trinidad and Tobago."

Duties of
Board.

5. The duties of the Board shall be :—

- (a.) To procure the training by competent artisans of apprentices bound by virtue of this Ordinance.
- (b.) To cause to be examined and, if satisfied with their skill, to issue certificates of efficiency to apprentices bound by virtue of this Ordinance on the completion of their term of service, or earlier in cases of exceptional merit.
- (c.) To keep a register of, and to issue certificates of efficiency to, such artisans as are in the opinion of the Board, qualified to be engaged in any trade or craft mentioned in or proclaimed under Section 2 hereof.

- (d.) To fix the periods of apprenticeship for different trades.
- (e.) To license masters to receive apprentices, and to keep a register of such masters.
- (f.) To cancel licenses when necessary.
- (g.) To allot apprentices and keep a register of them.
- (h.) To settle disputes arising between masters and apprentices, and to transfer apprentices to new masters when desirable.
- (i.) To arrange as far as possible for the technical education of apprentices.
- (j.) To appoint and pay examiners when necessary.

6. The Board may demand and receive any sum not exceeding ten shillings for every certificate of efficiency to be issued under the provisions of this Ordinance. The money so received shall be part of the funds of the Board.

Fee for certificate of efficiency.

7. The funds of the Board shall be applied in the first place to the remuneration of the Secretary and servants of the Board, and in the next place to the discharge of all liabilities incurred by the Board in the performance of its duties. The Board shall cause a true and correct account to be kept of all moneys received and expended by the Board and shall when required so to do submit such account to be audited by the Auditor-General of the Colony.

Application of funds of Board.

8. The Board may from time to time make alter and revoke such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the proper discharge of its duties under this Ordinance.

Rules and regulations.

9. The Apprenticing of Children Ordinance (No. 136) is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

Passed in Council this Twenty-first day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six.

ALFRED TAITT,
Acting Clerk of the Council.