

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

Diseased Animals.

No. 5.—1902.

17th March.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the detention and treatment of diseased and unfit animals in certain cases.

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ALFRED MOLONEY,

GOVERNOR.

26th March, 1902.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

Fines may be paid over for purposes of the Ordinance.

1. All fines received under the forty-third section of the Ordinance numbered 6 of 1868 and entitled "An Ordinance for rendering certain offences punishable on summary conviction" shall until the Governor shall otherwise direct be paid to any person whom the Governor shall have approved as representative of the Trinidad Society for the Prevention of cruelty to Animals to be applied in such manner as the Governor may have approved for the mitigation of the suffering by, or the prevention of cruelty to animals.

Animals may be detained for treatment.

2. On any conviction under the said section of the said Ordinance for cruelty in respect of any animal, the presiding Magistrate may if he thinks that such animal is unfit to work, direct that it be detained in any place which shall have been notified in the *Royal Gazette* as set apart by the said

Society for that purpose, for any period not exceeding thirty days; during which the maintenance of such animal shall be provided free of cost to the Government and to the owner thereof.

3. Any place so set apart as aforesaid shall be deemed to be a pound for the purposes of the sixty-sixth section of the said Ordinance 6 of 1868 and of the twelfth section of the Pound Ordinance 1875 (16 of 1875). Place of treatment to be deemed a pound.

4. Except for gross negligence no officer or servant of the said Society or person having charge of any place set apart as aforesaid shall be liable in respect of the death or sickness or deterioration of or any accident or casualty to any animal detained in such place under the provisions of this Ordinance. Officer in charge responsible for gross negligence only.

5. If any animal detained under the provisions of this Ordinance for any period shall on the expiration of that period or within forty-eight hours thereof not be claimed by the owner thereof, the person having charge thereof may after seven days' notice published in the said *Royal Gazette* sell it by auction and apply the proceeds towards the expenses to be incurred under the Ordinance, or may destroy it. Unclaimed animals may be sold or destroyed.

Passed in Council this Seventeenth day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. J. ROOKS,
Clerk of the Council.