

If not produced within four weeks from the date hereof, a duplicate Pass Book will be issued to RENNY JONES.

DAVID B. HORSFORD,
Receiver-General.

Receiver-General's Office,
12th December, 1895.

NOTICE.

IS hereby given, that we have to-day disposed of our business to the TRINIDAD SHIPPING & TRADING Co., LTD., and it will henceforth be carried on by them. All monies due to us and all outstanding liabilities will be received and paid by them.

TURNBULL, STEWART & CO.

Trinidad,
1st October, 1895.

REFERRING to the above, we hereby give notice that we have acquired the business of MESSRS. TURNBULL, STEWART & Co. as a going concern and it will be carried on by us in future under the same management as heretofore.

The Head Office of the Company is at No. 62, Buchanan Street, Glasgow, Scotland, with Branches in Port-of-Spain and San Fernando, Trinidad, and in New York, U. S. A.

TRINIDAD SHIPPING & TRADING Co., LTD.
Trinidad,
1st October, 1895.—(2 ins.)

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

IN consequence of the alterations in Itinerary of Gulf Steamers commencing 1st January, 1896, the following changes will be made in dispatch and receipt of Mails from that date:—

MONOS SECTION.

There will be no mail to or from Chacacare on Friday.

CEDROS SECTION.

The Mails from Icacos, Cedros, Irois Forest, Cap-de-Ville and La Brea, hitherto received at 9.30 a.m. on Fridays, will in future be received at 1.30 p.m.

J. A. BULMER,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office, Trinidad,
23rd December, 1895.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

COMMENCING with the Outward English Mail of THURSDAY, 9TH JANUARY, 1896, the closing of the Mail, with ordinary postage, for Letters and other Postal Matter, will be extended from 2 p.m., to 2.30 p.m.

Letters with a late fee, will be accepted up to 3 p.m.

Registration will be extended from 1.30 p.m., to 2 p.m.

J. A. BULMER,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office, Trinidad,
23rd December, 1895.

REGULATIONS issued by the Harbour Master under Section 3 of the Petroleum Ordinance, 1895 (29 of 1895).

1. Masters of vessels carrying a cargo consisting wholly or in part of Petroleum, on entering the Harbour of Port-of-Spain or San Fernando, shall give notice thereof to the Visiting Officer when boarding the vessel.

2. All vessels having Petroleum on board as cargo, on entering the Harbour of Port-of-Spain, shall anchor to leeward of the usual anchorage in the said Harbour, and to the Northward of a line of bearing running W.S.W. (mag.) from the Port-of-Spain Lighthouse, (i.e. the lighthouse must not be brought to bear anything to the North of E.N.E.) or in such other place as the Harbour Master or other person authorized by him may direct, and on entering the Harbour of San Fernando shall anchor in such place as the Harbour Master of that port shall direct.

3. Vessels so moored to be anchored in sufficient water to remain afloat at any time of the tide.

J. B. SAUNDERS,
Harbour Master.

31st December, 1895.

NOTICE.

PERSONS desirous of applying for Indian Immigrants to arrive during the season 1896-1897, are requested to send in such applications before the 1ST DAY OF MARCH, 1896. The form of application as sanctioned by the Governor is published in *Royal Gazette* of 24th August, 1892, and copies of such form can be obtained at the Immigration Office if required.

H. C. STONE,
Acting Protector of Immigrants.

16th December, 1895.

FOR SALE.

A PATENT OIL ENGINE, 3 nominal horse power, manufactured by Priestman Brothers, Hull.

The above may be seen in working order at the Government Printing Office.

Offers to be made in writing addressed to

J. PAGET,
Acting Supt. Govt. Printing.

28th Dec., 1894.

NOTICE.

THE following articles in the possession of the Police, will be sold by Auction at the Police Station, Arima, on FRIDAY, THE 10TH JANUARY, 1896.

- 11 Ladles.
- 2 Pieces of silver jewellery.
- 2 Wine Glasses.
- 3 Demijohns.
- 8 Guns.

E. FORTESCUE,
Inspector-General of Police.

Police Head Quarters,
Port-of-Spain, 10th December, 1895.

infringement of this Bye-law will render the owner guilty of an offence and on conviction before any Justice of the Peace shall be fined not exceeding Ten Pounds sterling, and in default of payment shall be imprisoned with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding three months.

- (c.) In the event of a seizure under the 28th Section of the "Roads Ordinance, 1894," the articles seized shall be sold seven days after such seizure by Public Auction before the doors of the Local Road Board Office by any official of the Board, unless such article shall be previously redeemed by the owner thereof by payment to the Board of a sum not exceeding Five Pounds sterling, in the discretion of the Board or its Officers, and such sums by redemption or sale, to be placed at the disposal of the Board.
- (d.) The sums of money made recoverable by the Local Road Boards under Sections 21, 22, 23 & 32, and all penalties imposed by Sections 24, 25, 30, 33, 76 & 79 of the Roads Ordinance, 1894, shall be sued for and enforced in manner directed by Sections 96, 97, 99 & 100, of the same Ordinance.
- (e.) Any person failing to remove or cause to be removed any obstruction whatsoever to the traffic or watercourse on any Local Road or Street when ordered to do so by any Member of the Board or Road Officials, or any person duly authorized shall be guilty of an offence, and on conviction before any Justice of the Peace shall be liable to a penalty of Ten Pounds and in default of payment shall be imprisoned with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding three months.

Any person or persons found emptying or in any way placing night-soil on any Road, Street, Drain or Bridge, shall render themselves guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace shall be liable to a fine not exceeding Twenty Pounds Sterling, and in default of payment shall be imprisoned with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding six months.

It shall not be lawful for any person to haul timber on any Local Road or Street unless it be placed on wheels, or unless permission to do so has been first obtained from the Board. Any person acting in contravention to this Bye-law shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Ten Pounds Sterling and in default of payment shall be imprisoned with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding three months.

5. Any animal found tethered, straying or being driven or ridden on any Local Road or Street suffering from any infectious or contagious disease may be seized and detained by any Member of the Board or the Road Overseer thereof or any person duly authorized so to do, and after examination by a Veterinary Surgeon shall be destroyed. The owner of any such diseased animal shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds sterling, and in default of payment shall be imprisoned with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding three months.

Passed by the Couva Local Road Board, November 15th, 1895.

E. F. TREE,
Chairman.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
22ND JANUARY, 1896.

TENDERS will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office up to noon on WEDNESDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 1896, for additions to the General Post Office according to Plans, terms and conditions of Contract, and Specifications, which will be ready for inspection at the Public Works' Office on and after the 23rd instant.

The Contractor will be required to give security for the due performance of his Contract in the amount of £50.

Tenders are to be made out on forms which will be supplied at the Public Works' Office on application, and on payment of a deposit of \$20 which will be returned to the Applicant on receipt of a *bonâ fide* Tender, and after a Contract has been entered into, but should any Tenderer refuse to enter into a Contract when so called upon, the deposit made shall be forfeited and paid into General Revenue. The Tenders are to be addressed to the Hon'ble Colonial Secretary, marked "Tender for additions to the General Post Office."

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender. All informal Tenders will be summarily rejected and the deposits made for Tender Forms will be forfeited.

By Command,

C. C. KNOLLYS,
Colonial Secretary.

(No. 16.)

(COUNCIL PAPER No. 122.)

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S REPORT FOR 1895.

Report of the Postmaster-General for the year 1895.

*In continuation of Council Paper
No. 86 of 1895.**Registered No. of Correspondence,
No. 2376/1896.*

HONOURABLE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

1. I have the honour to report that during the past year there was a very considerable increase in the work performed by the several branches of this Department. This increase, as will be seen by the Appendices herewith, was especially noticeable in Money Orders issued by this Colony on countries beyond sea, in Inland Money Orders, in the number of Parcels received, and in the number of Postal articles Inland.

2. In the statement of Money Orders issued on the United Kingdom (including Appendix A. Through Orders) British Guiana, Barbados, Grenada, St. Lucia, Tobago, Leeward Islands and United States of America it will be seen that the total increase in the amount of Money Orders issued by this Colony on those places during 1895 as compared with the previous year was £3,705 3 1, but as compared with 1883, the increase was £37,806 0 2.

3. In the last 12 years the remittances by Money Orders from Trinidad to Barbados have quadrupled, whilst to Tobago the sum has risen from £84 1 11 in 1883 to £958 13 10 in 1895.

4. Part of this increase is due to the fact that more Money Order Offices have been established, and also to the very much safer method now almost generally adopted of taking out a Money Order instead of, as heretofore, sending Bank Notes in letters.

5. The remittances to the United States of America are £300 in excess of last year, but the increase is not nearly so rapid as I had anticipated.

6. The sum remitted to India by indentured and free coolies during the last three months of 1895 amounted to £827 7 0 represented by 2,280 orders.

7. By the adoption of a special printed form of requisition giving the following particulars supplied by the remitter, viz.:—Name, Father's Name, Caste, District, (Zilla) Ward (Pergunah) Police Station, (Mouza) Occupation, Post Office (Money Order Office) the Indian Post Office now finds very little difficulty in dealing with these Orders. The particulars are usually filled in by an interpreter of the Immigration Department and the original requisition accompanies the Money Order to India a counterfoil containing similar particulars being retained in this Colony.

8. There was a slight falling off in the number and amount of Money Orders Appendix B. issued by the United Kingdom (including Through Orders) British Guiana, Barbados, Grenada, St. Vincent, St. Lucia, Tobago, Leeward Islands and United States of America on Trinidad the remittances from Tobago being only a little more than half the sum received during 1894, whilst the total number of Orders received from beyond Sea was 2,288 as against 2,428 the previous year.

9. The sale of Postage Stamps during 1895 was £7,265 2 1 as compared with Appendix C. £7,062 11 3½ in 1894. It is interesting to note that the sale of ½d Newspaper Wrappers used principally for prepaying Newspapers within the Colony rose from £163 in 1894 to £210 in 1895.

10. The Inland Money Order transactions at Port-of-Spain, San Fernando, Appendix D Princes Town, Couva, Chaguanas, Cedros, Arima, Arouca, Mayaro and La Brea, amounted to £6,859 6 10 during 1895, being an increase of £807 6 2 over 1894.

11. The total sum dealt with in Inland Money Orders in 1883, was only £573 13 10½.

12. There are yet several important places in Trinidad not provided with Money Order Offices such as Gran Couva, St. Joseph, Diego Martin and Toco, and I hope in the next Estimates to receive sanction for the necessary sum to enable me to extend the system to these places. It is an absolutely safe means of transmitting small sums of money, and as year by year the amount thus remitted increases rapidly so does the number of complaints, as to missing unregistered letters said to have contained Money, decrease.

Abolition of Fee
Stamps and Issue of a
New design of Postage
and Revenue Stamps.

13. In accordance with instructions from His Excellency the Governor, dated February, 1895, a Committee composed of the Honourable Colonial Secretary (Chairman), the acting Collector of Customs (Mr. A. C. Ross), the Registrar of the Supreme Court, the Registrar-General, the Postmaster-General, the Stipendiary Magistrate of Port-of-Spain, considered the question of abolishing the present Fee Stamp and introducing a New design of Postage and Revenue Stamp. It was recommended that Fee Stamps should be abolished as soon as the New Design of Postage and Revenue Stamps were ready for issue.

14. The Committee also recommended that the New Stamps should be of the value of $\frac{1}{2}$ d., 1d., $2\frac{1}{2}$ d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-, 5/-, 10/- and 20/-, and that the design of the values under 5/- should be somewhat similar to the old Britannia pattern of Stamp but that the Stamps of 5/-, 10/-, and 20/- should be oblong and in size like the Stamps of South Australia.

15. Whilst in England I put myself in communication with Messrs. De la Rue & Co. and obtained from them several designs for the New Stamps and eventually sent out these designs to this Colony for approval.

16. The order to proceed with the preparation of the necessary dies was given to Messrs. De la Rue & Co. in December last, and the Stamps may be expected about the end of next month.

17. It was also one of the recommendations of the Committee that the commission on the sale of Postage Stamps should be reduced from 4 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the introduction of the new Stamps as it was believed the sale of the higher value Stamps for Fee purposes would more than repay Stamp Vendors for the reduction in the rate of commission. Postage Stamp Vendors not having hitherto been permitted to sell Fee Stamps.

18. As the new Stamps could not be obtained at so early a date as was anticipated it was decided from 1st April, 1896, to reduce the rate of commission and to permit Postage Stamps to be used as Fee Stamps until the new issue arrives.

19. I may here state that during the last twelve years it has not been found necessary to Surcharge any Postage Stamps of this Colony but on two or three occasions speculators in Stamps have bought up the whole remaining stock of the higher values of Postage Stamps in the hope that the Department would be compelled to resort to Surcharges—some little temporary inconvenience to the general public was thus caused but the difficulty was met by telegraphing for further supplies and they usually reached me within six weeks.

20. If, as I believe it is generally admitted, Post Office Statistics may be taken as an indication of the commercial prosperity or otherwise of a country, an analysis of the statement showing the number of Postal Articles dispatched from Port-of-Spain to the Sub-Offices in Trinidad during 1895 would go to prove that this Colony's progress far exceeded, in that year, any other period during the past twelve years.

21. The number of Letters and Pos Cards posted at the General Post Office for Inland transmission in 1883 was 146,974 whilst in 1895 the number had risen to 341,460 being an increase as compared with 1894 of 96,708. The average increase of the 10 years prior to 1894 was about 11,000 per annum.

22. Again, in Newspapers and Book Packets, these in 1883 numbered 51,102 as against 134,256 in 1895 and shewing an increase of 19,296 over 1894. The average of the 10 years prior to 1894 shewed a yearly increase of about 14,000.

23. Parcels Post (Foreign) shows an increase of 780 more parcels in 1895 than the previous year but in the parcels forwarded from this Colony a falling off of 169. Appendix F.

24. Parcel Post (Inland) also shows a decrease of 153 parcels as compared with 1894. Appendix G.

25. For some years past this Department has imported, from the Indian Post Office, envelopes embossed with the postage stamp approximating to the single rate of postage then in force. The present envelope is of the value of two annas, six pies being the equivalent of our 2½d. rate of postage and the envelopes are supplied to the coolies at face value. Indian Embossed Envelopes.

26. In nearly all cases where Money Orders are being forwarded by coolies to India one of these envelopes, legibly addressed with the name of the sender, his official number and the estate on which he is employed is enclosed so that the person to whom the money is being forwarded may send an acknowledgement, the postage being prepaid from this side.

27. This system is of great benefit to the Post Office as no interpretation of address is now necessary and the letters very rarely fail to reach addressee.

28. In 1883 there were 40 District Post Offices in this Colony, of these 25 were located in Police Stations and the duties were performed by Police Officers, 7 were located in Railway Offices, the duties being performed by the Collectors, and 7 only were in buildings either belonging to, or rented by Government, these latter Offices being worked by Officers paid solely by this Department. District Post Offices.

29. The allowance paid by this Department to the Police and Railway Officers was usually about \$5 a month.

30. From the nature of the duties of Police Officers in Country Districts and the frequency with which they were changed, it was impossible that they could devote that attention to Postal duties or become sufficiently proficient in those duties to warrant the system being continued. Somewhat similar disadvantages obtained as regards the Officers at Railway Stations, and it was decided to gradually transfer all Post Offices from Railway and Police Stations.

31. Since 1883 nine new Post Offices have been added, and these Offices are now located as follows:—

In premises belonging to or rented by the Government	...	42
At Police Stations	5
At Railway Offices	2
		49

32. I hope to be able to transfer the 7 remaining Offices from the Police and Railway at an early date.

33. Of the District Post Offices, 30 are rented and 12 are Government Buildings 5 Police, and 2 Railway. In many districts especially at Toco, Arima, Cedros, Mayaro and St. Joseph, great difficulty has been experienced in finding suitable accomodation for the Post Office, and it is my intention to ask in the current year's Estimates for provision to be made for building Post Offices at some of the places mentioned.

34. I was absent on leave from the Colony from 30th May to 4th December, during which time Mr. J. H. Collens again acted as Postmaster-General. Absence on leave.

35. I beg to place on record my appreciation of the diligence and care with which the members of my Staff continue to discharge their arduous duties.

J. A. BULMER,
Postmaster-General.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, TRINIDAD,
22nd May, 1896.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

No. 11.—1896.

6th July.

AN ORDINANCE to amend "The Post Office Ordinances, 1890—1895."

[L.S.]

F. NAPIER BROOME,

GOVERNOR.

22nd July, 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 Post Office Short title. Ordinance, 1896."

It shall be read as one with "The Post Office Ordinances, 1890—1895."

"The Post Office Ordinances, 1890—1895" and this Ordinance may together be cited as "The Post Office Ordinances, 1890—1896."

2. It shall be lawful for the Postmaster-General, or any of his officers, to detain any post letters suspected to contain any goods liable to duty and forward the Detention and opening of letters suspected to contain dutiable goods.

No. 11.

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same to the Collector of Customs, who, in the presence of the person to whom the same may be addressed, or in his absence in case of non-attendance after notice in writing from the said Collector of Customs requiring his attendance left at or forwarded according to the address on the letter, may open and examine the same; and in case on any such examination any goods liable to duty shall be discovered, the said Collector of Customs may detain the letter and its contents for the purpose of prosecution; and if no goods liable to duty shall be discovered in such letter, the same shall, if the party to whom the same is addressed be present, be handed over to him on his paying the postage (if any) charged thereon, or, if he shall not be present, the same shall be returned to the Post Office, and be forwarded to the place of its address.

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

HARRY L. KNAGGS,
Acting Clerk of the Council.

NOTICE.

ORDER made by His Excellency the Governor under section 6 of the Public Roads Ordinance, 1894.

WHEEL traffic will be interrupted over one mile of the Southern Main Road, No. 27, between the 52nd and 53rd mile posts (Roussilliac Settlement) from the 1st July to 1st September, 1896.

By Command,

D. WILSON,

Actg. Colonial Secretary.

Government House,
25th June, 1896.—(No. 134.)

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

Postal matter for Canada forwarded via New York.

AS it is desirable, in order to facilitate the transit beyond New York, that all postal matter for Canada should be forwarded in three separate bags labelled respectively "Nova Scotia," "New Brunswick" and "Montreal," it is requested that all correspondence for the provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick may be marked N.S. or N.B. immediately following the place of destination.

J. A. BULMER,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
20th July, 1896.

WITH this number of the *Royal Gazette* there is issued Ordinance No. 10 of 1896, "To amend the Ordinance enabling James Stanley Toppin to lay down and maintain Tramways in Port-of-Spain and Belmont."

HEAD QUARTERS, LOCAL FORCES,
ST. JAMES' BARRACKS,
6th July, 1896.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF has been pleased to approve of the following appointment:—

YEOMANRY CAVALRY.

THORNTON HENRY WARNER, ESQRE.,
(late Lieutenant and Quartermaster, Tacarigua Troop, Mounted Rifles), to be CAPTAIN, vice MACFARLANE, resigned.

By Command,

ALEXANDER MAN, Colonel
Commandant Local Forces Trinidad & Tobago.

NOTICE.

MR. CHARLES POLLONAIIS has been appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths for the Cedros district as from the 2nd inst., vice Miss M. JAMESON resigned.

H. D. HUGGINS,
Supt. Registrar.

Cedros,
16th July, 1896.

Approved,

E. C. M. STONE,
Actg. Registrar-General.

17th July, 1896.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.
No. 30 of 1896.



By His Excellency Sir FREDERICK NAPIER BROOME, K.C.M.G., Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Trinidad and Tobago and its Dependencies, Vice-Admiral thereof, &c., &c., &c.

[L.S.]
F. NAPIER BROOME,
Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the twenty-sixth day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, an Ordinance was enacted in the said Colony, entitled "An Ordinance, No. 7 of 1896, to amend 'The Quarantine Ordinance, 1893,'" (18-1893);

And whereas on the said twenty-sixth day of May, in the year of Our Lord aforesaid, a certain other Ordinance was enacted in the said Colony, entitled "An Ordinance No. 8 of 1896, to amend the Roads Amendment Ordinance, 1895" (41-1895);

And whereas Instructions have been received by me that the Queen will not be advised to exercise her power of disallowance with respect to these Ordinances;

Now therefore, I FREDERICK NAPIER BROOME, Governor as aforesaid, do hereby proclaim and make known to all and every the Inhabitants of the said Colony and its Dependencies that the said Ordinances have not been disallowed by Her Majesty, and their Honours the Judges of the said Colony and the several Magistrates therein and all others concerned are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony at Government House, in the Town of Port-of-Spain, in the Island of Trinidad, this Fifteenth day of July, A. D., 1896.

By His Excellency's Command,

D. WILSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

NOTICE.

THE undermentioned gas fittings, recently removed from the Governor's Residence, St. Ann's, in order to instal the Electric Light, are for sale and may be seen at the Public Works Office on application to the Storekeeper:—

1	Eighteen	Light Gaselier.	
3	Six	"	"
2	Five	"	"
1	Three	"	Pendant.
2	Two	"	"
22	One	"	"
1	Six	"	Billiard Room
17	Ornamental	Glasses.	[Pendant.
227	Pairs	shades.	

The fittings are very handsome and massive and are in the best style, the large gaseliers are suitable for large ball or drawing rooms being exceptionally elaborate, massive, and well finished with cut glass lustres and other ornamentation.

All the fittings are in fair order and are suitable for fixing in a large mansion.

Offers to purchase must be addressed to the Colonial Secretary.

By Order,

D. WILSON,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Government House,
27th July, 1896.—(No. 170.)

ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS.

RUBBER PLANTS.

SEVERAL thousand Rubber Plants of the best kind are now on hand at the Nurseries Royal Botanic Gardens, and will be sold at cheap rates during the month of August.

Apply to

Superintendent,
Royal Botanic Gardens.

1st August, 1896.—(3 Ins.)

Port-of-Spain Sewerage Rates for 1896—97.

THESE rates will be received at the Colonial Treasury from this date until the 20TH NOVEMBER NEXT, after which date those remaining unpaid will be collected by the Marshal.

S. W. KNAGGS,

Actg. Receiver-General.

Receiver-General's office,
6th August, 1896.

NOTICE.

MR. GEORGE O'BRIEN has this day been appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths for the Upper Caroni district, in the place of Mr. LORETO LUCES, resigned.

HARRIS HARRAGIN,

Supt. Registrar.

Warden's Office, Arima,
1st August, 1896.

Approved,

E. C. M. STONE,
Actg. Registrar-General.

3rd August, 1896.

HEAD QUARTERS, LOCAL FORCES,

St. James's BARRACKS,

3rd August, 1896.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, has been pleased to approve of the following appointment:—

YEOMANRY CAVALRY.

WILLIAM LOUIS KNOX, *Gentleman*, to be 2nd Lieut., to complete establishment. Dated 1st August, 1896.

By Command,

ALEXANDER MAN,

Colonel.

Commandant Local Forces, Trinidad and Tobago.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

THE following alterations will come into operation on THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST, 1896:—

Late Fees on English Mail Day.

Letters and other postal matter with ordinary postage may be posted at any pillar box in Port-of-Spain and at the General Post Office up to 2.30 p.m.

NOTE.—Letters, &c., posted in pillar boxes in Port-of-Spain after 2.30 p.m. on English Mail day will not go forward that mail.

Letters and postal articles with late fee of 1d. at General Post Office only, up to 3 p.m.

Letters (but not other postal articles) with late fee of 2½d., at General Post Office only, up to 3.30 p.m.

Letters (but not other postal articles) with late fee of 5d., at General Post Office only, up to 4 p.m.

All posting boxes will be closed at the General Post Office at 2.30 p.m. on the Outward English Mail day and all late fee letters and local letters between that time and 4 p.m. should be handed to one of the counter clerks.

From 3.30 p.m. late fee letters will be received only at the stamp window, in private box department.

Money Orders, on and through the United Kingdom only, will be issued at the General Post Office, Port-of-Spain, between 8 and 10 a.m., on the Thursday of the Outward English Mail for an additional 3d. commission on each single order.

The delivery of letters, &c., at the counter of the General Post Office on the arrival of the English Mail will be abolished and all letters, &c., except those for private box holders and *poste restante* letters, will be delivered by Letter Carrier.

There will be three deliveries by Letter Carrier daily (Sundays and public holidays excepted) viz. at 7 a.m., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. On Sunday the General Post Office will be open for the delivery of letters, &c., to the public from 7 to 8 a.m.

On public holidays there will be one delivery by Letter Carrier viz.: at 7 a.m.

The main portion of the General Post Office will be closed to the public at 12.30 p.m. on Saturdays, but all mails will be dispatched as usual on that day, and postage stamps, &c., may be obtained on application at the private box stamp window.

J. A. BULMER,

Postmaster General.

G. P. O., Trinidad,
5th August, 1896.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.



By His Excellency CLEMENT COURTENAY KNOLLYS,
C.M.G., acting Governor and Commander-in-Chief
in and over the Colony of Trinidad and Tobago,
Vice-Admiral thereof, etc., etc., etc.

[L.S.]

C. C. KNOLLYS,
Acting Governor.

To

HUGH CLARENCE BOURNE, Barrister-at-Law, Registrar-General and Examiner of
Titles of the Colony of Trinidad and Tobago, Esquire.

GREETING.

Whereas by Section 2 of "The Commissions of Enquiry Ordinance, 1892," it is provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor whenever he shall deem it advisable to issue a Commission appointing one or more Commissioners and authorising such Commissioners or any quorum of them therein mentioned to enquire (among other things) into any matter in which an enquiry would in the opinion of the Governor be for the public welfare.

And whereas circulars have from time to time been issued by the Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State calling attention among other things to the difficulties sometimes experienced in obtaining supplies of Colonial Stamps and to certain irregularities which exist in the practice of selling stamps to dealers and collectors;

And whereas complaints have been made to me with regard to the sale in the Island of Tobago in the month of October now last past, of certain postage stamps which had then been recently withdrawn from circulation;

And whereas an enquiry into the matters hereinafter specified would in my opinion be for the public welfare;

Now therefore, I, CLEMENT COURTENAY KNOLLYS, acting Governor as aforesaid do hereby in pursuance of the powers vested in me in this behalf by "The Commissions of Enquiry Ordinance, 1892," aforesaid, and of any and every other power enabling me in this behalf, issue this my Commission to you the said HUGH CLARENCE BOURNE, appointing you to be a Commissioner to enquire into

- (a.) The practice which has hitherto prevailed in the Island of Tobago with regard to the sale of postage stamps to dealers and collectors of stamps.
- (b.) The circumstances connected with the sale in the said Island of certain postage stamps which had been withdrawn from circulation on the 8th day of October now last past; and
- (c.) The desirability or otherwise of providing for the manner in which and the persons by whom requisitions for stamps from dealers in and collectors of stamps should in future be dealt with;
- (d.) And such other matters connected with Postage, Revenue or Fee Stamps as may seem to you expedient.

And I direct you the said Commissioner to proceed to the Island of Tobago at such times as may be convenient to you with due diligence to enquire into the several matters aforesaid and to report to me in writing under your hand upon the said matters and to give your opinion and recommendations thereon in one or more reports and to furnish me with such account of your proceedings and such reasons for your conclusions as I may require, and I direct that such enquiry shall be held in private.

And this my Commission shall continue subject to any alteration or revocation thereof until you shall have finally reported.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony,
at Government House, in the Town of Port-of-Spain, this Fifteenth day of December, 1896.

By His Excellency's Command,

D. WILSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.