and having upon such arraignment pleaded Nor and Guilty (or Guilty, as the case may be), the said (A. B.) hath before the said Court in its aforesaid Session been tried, and in due form of law convicted thereof: And whereas judgment hath been given by the said Court that the said (A. B.) be hanged by the neck until he be dead, the execution of which judgment yet remaineth Governor of this Island of Trinidad, to be done, I, do therefore by these presents require and strictly command you, day of in the year of our that upon the Lord one thousand eight hundred and between the hours of eight and eleven in the forenoon of the same day, him the said (A. B.) at the Royal Gaol aforesaid to the Marshal of the said Island you then deliver, which said Marshal, by another writ to him directed, is commanded then and there to receive the said (A. B.) that execution of the aforesaid judgment may be done in manner and form as to the said Marshal of the said Island is by the said other writ commanded: And this you are by no means to omit at your peril.

## No. 10.—1872.

## 1st July.

AN ORDINANCE to make provision for certain Public Holidays and respecting obligations to make Payments and do other acts on such Public Holidays.

(L.S.) J. R. LONGDEN, Governor. 6th July, 1872.

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WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for appointing certain days to be public holidays, and for enabling public holidays to be appointed by proclamation: Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Trinidad, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, as follows:—

- 1. After the passing of this Ordinance the several days in the schedule to this Ordinance mentioned (and which days are hereinafter referred to as public holidays) shall be kept as close holidays in all the public offices, and in all banks in this Colony.
- 2. All bills of exchange and promissory notes which are due and payable on any such public holiday shall be

payable, and in case of non-payment may be noted and protested on the next following day and not on such public holiday; and any such noting or protest shall be as valid as if made on the day on which the bill or note was made due and payable; and for all the purposes of this Ordinance the day next following a public holiday shall mean the next following day on which a bill of exchange may be lawfully noted or protested.

- 3. When the day on which any notice of dishonour of an unpaid bill of exchange or promissory note should be given, or when the day on which a bill of exchange or promissory note should be presented or received for acceptance, or accepted or forwarded to any referee or referees, is a public holiday, such notice of dishonour shall be given, and such bill of exchange or promissory note shall be presented or forwarded on the day next following such public holiday.
- 4. No person shall be compellable to make any payment or do any act upon such public holiday which he would not be compellable to do or make on Christmas Day or Good Friday; and the obligation to make such payment and do such act shall apply to the day following such public holiday, and the making of such payment and doing such act on such following day shall be equivalent to payment of the money or performance of the act on the public holiday.
- 5. It shall be lawful for the Governor from time to time, as he may see fit, by proclamation under the public seal of the Colony to appoint a special day to be kept as a close holiday in all public offices and in all banks in the Colony; and every day so appointed shall as regards bills of exchange and promissory notes be deemed to be a public holiday for all the purposes of this Ordinance.
- 6. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as "The Public Holidays Ordinance, 1872."

Passed in Council the first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

A. C. ROSS, Clerk of the Council.

## SCHEDULE.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

New Year's Day—or if that day falls on a Sunday the next following Monday.

Easter Monday. Whit Monday.

The Festival of Corpus Christi.

The Day appointed to be kept as the Sovereign's Birthday.

The Day after Christmas Day, when Christmas Day falls on a Sunday.

## No. 14.—1872.

1st October.

AN ORDINANCE for the further Amendment of the Law of Evidence.

(L.S.) W. H. RENNIE, Administrator. 3rd October, 1872.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the law of evidence in this Colony should be further assimilated to the law of England: Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, as follows:—

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as the "Evidence Amendment Ordinance, 1872."
- 2. In this Ordinance the words "Court of Justice," and the words "Presiding Judge," shall be deemed to include any person or persons having by law authority to administer an oath for the taking of evidence.
- 3. The parties to any action for breach of promise of marriage shall be competent to give evidence in such action; Provided always that no plaintiff in any action for breach of promise of marriage shall recover a verdict unless his or her testimony shall be corroborated by some other material evidence in support of such promise.