

## ORDINANCE No. 4 OF 1902.

A.D. 1902. AN ORDINANCE to continue in force, with certain amendments, the West India and Panama Telegraph Company, Limited, Subsidy Ordinance, 1891.

[19th February, 1902.]

WHEREAS at a meeting of the Combined Court held on the 17th day of December, 1901, it was resolved that it was expedient to continue in force for one year the provisions of the West India and Panama Telegraph Company, Limited, Subsidy Ordinance, 1891, subject to certain modifications set forth in the said resolution;

And whereas it is expedient to give effect as hereinafter mentioned to the said resolution:

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of British Guiana, with the advice and consent of the Court of Policy thereof, as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Telegraphic Communication (Continuation of Subsidy) Ordinance, 1902.

Continuation of Ordinance No. 6 of 1891.

2. The provisions of the West India and Panama Telegraph Company, Limited, Subsidy Ordinance, 1891, hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Ordinance" are hereby continued in force, notwithstanding anything therein contained, up to the 31st day of December, 1902.

Penalty for failure.

3. In addition to the powers contained in section 5 of the Principal Ordinance, the Governor-in-Council may direct that the sum of fifteen dollars and twelve cents be withheld from any instalment of the subsidy in respect of each period of twenty-four hours during which telegraphic communication with New York or Europe is suspended or interrupted, owing to failure in any of the lines of the West India and Panama Telegraph Company, Limited (hereinafter referred to as "the Company"), north of the Trinidad land end of the cable between Demerara and Trinidad.

Rates.

4. The rates chargeable by the Company shall not exceed the rates in force at the date of the passing of the aforesaid resolution, save in so far and to such extent as such rates may be affected by any increase in the rates charged by the owners of any of the several telegraphic lines whose co-operation may be required for the transmission of messages.

Power to continue Ordinance in force.

5. Whenever the Combined Court shall, by resolution, authorize the continuance of the provisions of this Ordinance for any given period, it shall be lawful for the Governor by proclamation to declare that this Ordinance shall continue in force for such period, and it shall thereupon continue in force accordingly.