

for any term not exceeding fourteen days, or the dissolution of the contract of service.

8. On complaint preferred, and proof made, by a Servant before any Stipendiary Magistrate that his Master has not paid the Servant's Wages, or delivered to him the Articles stipulated for, or that the Articles so delivered were not of the prescribed amount and quality, or that by the negligence, or other improper conduct of the Master, the Contract of Service has not been faithfully performed, or that the Master has ill used the Servant, the Stipendiary Magistrate may make order for the payment of the Wages in arrear, or for the delivery of the stipulated Articles, or for compensation to be made to the Servant for any injury by him sustained by such negligence or improper conduct of the Master, or by his non fulfilment of the Contract, or by his ill usage of the Servant; and if such order be not complied with according to the exigency and tenor thereof, the Magistrate shall and may issue a Warrant for the seizure and sale of the Goods of the Master, or so much thereof as may be requisite for making such compensation; and failing any sufficient distress, the Magistrate shall and may make Order for the commitment of the Master to prison, for any time not exceeding one month, unless compensation be sooner made. The Magistrate may also in any of the cases aforesaid, if he shall see fit, order the Contract of Service to be cancelled either in addition to, or in substitution for, any such order as aforesaid.

9. Nothing herein contained shall prevent, or be construed to prevent, any proceeding before the ordinary Tribunals of the Colony for any ill usage of a Servant by his Master, or of a Master by his Servant, if the Stipendiary Magistrate shall decline to entertain any such case, and shall see fit to refer the same to the ordinary course of law.

10. If any question shall rise between a Master and Servant respecting the meaning of their Contract, or the rights of either party under the same, or the obligation imposed on either party thereby, it shall be lawful for the Stipendiary Magistrate, on the application of either party, to arbitrate between them; and his award, on all such questions so brought before him, shall be conclusive without appeal.

#### CAP. V.

*On the Subordination of the Stipendiary Magistrates to the Governor, and of the Police to the Stipendiary Magistrates.*

SEC. 1. Every Stipendiary Magistrate shall hold his Office during Her Majesty's pleasure, and shall be liable to be suspended therefrom by the Governor of the Colony, until Her Majesty's pleasure shall be known.

2. Every such Magistrate shall act for such District or Districts as shall from time to time be assigned for that purpose by the Governor. Every such Magistrate shall be obedient to the lawful commands of the Governor in all things relating to the duties of the Office of such Magistrate. Every such Stipendiary Magistrate shall be bound to make to the Governor such general or special reports of his proceedings in the discharge of such his duty as the Governor shall from time to time require of him.

3. The Stipendiary Magistrates shall from time to time, as occasion may appear to them to require, or where they shall be so directed by the Governor, meet together in Petty Sessions, at which Sessions not less than two such Stipendiary Magistrates shall ever be present; and it shall be lawful for such Stipendiary Magistrates, in Petty Sessions assembled, to associate with themselves one ordinary Justice of the Peace, and no more; and such Stipendiary Magistrates and Justice, or the majority of them may, in such Petty Sessions assembled, exercise any of the powers hereby vested in the Stipendiary Magistrate separately, provided that no such Petty Sessions be convened except by the previous sanction of the Governor of the Colony, which sanction may be given either for holding such Sessions periodically, at some times and places to be appointed by him, or for holding the same for any special occasion at any particular time and place.

4. All Constables and other Officers of Police in the said Colonies, respectively, shall obey and carry into execution all lawful orders and warrants of the respective Stipendiary Magistrates, or of any such Petty Sessions as aforesaid.

#### CAP. VI.

*Respecting the Combination of Masters and Workmen.*

SEC. 1. The Act of the British Parliament passed in the Sixth year of the Reign of George the 4th, intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws relative to the Combination of Workmen, and for other purposes therein mentioned," shall be in force in the said Colonies, and applied in the Administration of the Law therein, so far as it may be practicable to apply the same; but the powers thereby vested in the Justices of the Peace in England shall in the said Colonies be vested in the said Stipendiary Magistrate, and the power thereby vested in any Court of General or Quarter Sessions shall in the said Colonies be vested in the said before-mentioned Court of Petty Sessions, and the power thereby vested in Her Majesty's Superior Courts of Westminster shall in the said Colonies respectively be vested in the Superior Courts of Civil and Criminal Justice thereof; and for the better adaptation of the said Act of Parliament, to the circumstances of the said respective Colonies, such analogous forms of proceeding shall be prescribed, in manner aforesaid, by the Governor of each such Colony respectively, with the sanction of the Chief Judge of the same.

(Signed)

C. C. GREVILLE.

#### AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR,

*The 4th January, 1843.*

PRESENT:

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an order of Her Majesty, made by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, on the seventh day of September one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, for regulating, within the Colonies of British Guiana, Trinidad, St. Lucia, and Mauritius, respectively, the relative rights and duties of masters and servants, it is, amongst other things, ordered, "that no contract of service shall be of any force or effect, within any of the colonies aforesaid, unless the same shall be made within the limits and upon the land of the colony in which the same is to be performed; and it is thereby further ordered, that no written contract of service shall be in force, within any of the said colonies, unless it shall be signed with the name, or, in case of illiterate persons, with the mark of each of the contracting parties, in the presence of a stipendiary magistrate, nor unless such stipendiary magistrate shall subscribe the written contract, in attestation of the fact that it was entered into by the parties voluntarily, and with a clear understanding of its meaning and effect:"

And whereas it is desirable, that the said recited provisions of the said Order in Council should be modified in manner hereinafter mentioned, in reference to the case of labourers, of African birth or descent, emigrating to the colonies aforesaid, from places, the inhabitants of which may reasonably be presumed to be so far cognizant of the state and prospects of labourers in agriculture and manufactures within the said colonies, as to be competent to protect their own interests in any contracts entered into beyond the precincts of such colonies for services to be performed therein:

And whereas persons, emigrating from the Continent of North America, may reasonably be presumed to be so competent; it is, therefore, ordered by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, that, in respect of persons, of African birth or descent, emigrating from the Continent of North America to the colonies aforesaid, or any of them, the above recited provisions of the said Order in Council, of the seventh September one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, shall be, and the same are hereby, revoked; provided, nevertheless, and it is hereby further ordered, that no contract of service, within the said colonies, or either of them, if entered into with any emigrant, of African birth or descent, from the Continent of North America, beyond the limits and off the land of the colony within which such labour is to be performed, shall be of any force or effect therein, unless the same shall be in writing, and shall be signed with the name, or, in case of illiterate persons, with the mark of each of the contracting parties, in the presence of some officer or person in Her Majesty's service, previously designated for that purpose by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State; nor unless such officer or person as aforesaid shall subscribe such written contract, in attestation of the fact that it was entered into by the parties voluntarily, and with a clear understanding of its meaning and effect; and it is hereby ordered, that any contract, entered into in the manner hereinbefore described, shall be received in evidence in any colony without further proof, provided that such contracts shall be certified in such manner as Her Majesty shall, from time to time, direct; provided always, that save as hereinbefore excepted, nothing herein contained shall be construed to revoke the said recited Order, or any part thereof, so far as respects the case of persons emigrating from the Continent of North America to the colonies aforesaid, or to any of them; and that the provisions of the same shall be applicable to any contracts of service, so to be made as aforesaid, with such persons beyond the limits and off the land of such colonies, in the same manner as if the same had been made within the limits and on the land thereof:

And the Right Honourable Lord Stanley, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. C. GREVILLE.

THE following List, containing the number of the Warrants, now in the Treasury, with the names of the Persons to whom they are payable, is published for the information of all concerned:—  
SERIES OF 1842.

No.	
270	Parish Schools, St. Patrick's.
271	ditto, St. David's.
272	ditto, St. Stephen's.
273	ditto, Campo Bello.
274	ditto, St. George.
275	ditto, West Isles.
276	ditto, St. Andrews.
277	ditto, Grand Manan.
278	ditto, Pennfield.
279	John C. Vail, Stage Coach.
280	Daniel Hanington, for Indians.
281	Justices of Queen's, Courier.
282	Alex. Goodfellow, and 1 other, Bridge.
283	Wm. Robinson, Courier.
284	Thos. P. Sayre, and 1 other, for sick Seamen.
285	David Gifford, and 1 other, do. do.
286	M. H. Perley, services as Indian Commissioner.
287	George Pagan, Agricultural Society.