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An Act for better securing an uninterrupted supply of water and light 1920-6. for the use of the community, and for preventing certain avoidable dangers to human life and valuable property.

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[17th September, 1920]

Commencement.

1. This Act may be cited as the Better Security Act.

Short title.

2. The expression "maliciously" used in reference to any Interoffence under this Act shall be construed in the same manner pretation. as it is required by section 43 of the Malicious Injury to Property Cap. 140. Act, to be construed in reference to any offence committed against that Act.

3. (1) Any person employed in the Waterworks or by any Breach of person upon whom is imposed by statute the duty or who by persons has assumed the duty of supplying any town or place or any employed part thereof or any human habitation with gas or electricity for in supply or light lighting who wilfully and maliciously breaks a contract of or water, service with the Waterworks or that person, knowing or having reasonable cause to believe that the probable consequences of his so doing, either alone or in combination with others, will be to deprive the inhabitants of any part of the Island wholly or to a great extent of their supply of water, or the inhabitants of that town, place or part or of that habitation wholly or to a great extent of their supply of gas or electricity, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of ninety-six dollars or to be imprisoned for three months.

punishable.

(2) The Chief Engineer shall cause to be posted up at the premises of the Waterworks, and the person upon whom lies the duty of supplying gas or electricity, as aforesaid shall cause to be posted up at the gas or electric works, as the case may be, belonging to such person, a printed copy of this section in some

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- conspicuous place where the same may be conveniently read by the persons employed and, as often as such copy becomes defaced, obliterated or destroyed, shall cause it to be renewed with all reasonable despatch.
- (3) If the Chief Engineer or any such person defaults in complying with subsection (2), he shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of twenty-four dollars for every day during which such default continues.
- (4) Any person who unlawfully injures, defaces or covers up any notice so posted up in pursuance of subsection (2) shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of ten dollars.

Breach of contract involving injury to persons or property, punishable. **4.** Any person who wilfully and maliciously breaks a contract of service or of hiring, knowing or having reasonable cause to believe that the probable consequences of his so doing, either alone or in combination with others, will be to endanger human life or to cause serious bodily injury or to expose valuable property, whether real or personal, to destruction or serious injury shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of ninety-six dollars or to be imprisoned for three months.