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CHAPTER 151

SALE OF POISONS

An Act to regulate the sale of poisons.

1885-1.

[27th June, 1885] Commence-
ment.

1. This Act may be cited as the Sale of Poisons Act. Short title.

2. (1) The several articles named and described in the First Schedule shall be deemed to be poisons within the meaning of this Act. Persons to which Act applies.

(2) The Minister may from time to time by order published in the *Official Gazette* declare that any article specified in such order shall be deemed to be a poison within the meaning of this Act and, on the expiration of one month from the date of publication of such order in the *Official Gazette* the article named in the order shall be deemed to be a poison within the meaning of this Act. First Schedule.

3. This Act shall not apply to patent medicines or to homoeopathic attenuated medicines or to any medicine supplied by a legally qualified medical practitioner to his patients or to any article when forming part of the ingredients of any medicine dispensed or sold by a chemist or druggist: Cases to which this Act does not apply.

Provided that such medicine so supplied, dispensed or sold shall be distinctly labelled with the name and address of the seller.

4. (1) No poison shall be sold by any person, either by wholesale or by retail, unless the box, bottle, vessel, wrapper or cover in which such poison is contained is distinctly labelled with the name of the article and the word "poison", and with the name and address of the seller of the poison. Sale of poisons.

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(2) It shall be unlawful to sell any poison to any person unknown to the seller unless such purchaser is introduced to the seller by some person known to him or presents a written order from a person whose handwriting is known to him.

(3) On every sale of any poison, the seller shall before delivery make or cause to be made an entry in a book to be kept by him for that purpose, stating in the Form set forth in the Second Schedule the date of the sale, the name and address of the purchaser, the name and quantity of the article sold and the purpose for which it is stated by the purchaser to be required, to which entry the signature of the purchaser and of the person (if any) who introduced him or on whose order it was delivered shall be affixed.

Second
Schedule

Failure to
comply with
provisions
relating to
sale.

5. (1) Any person selling poison otherwise than in accordance with this Act shall, if summarily convicted thereof before any magistrate on the information of any person whomsoever, be liable to a penalty of twenty-four dollars for the first offence and forty-eight dollars for the second or any subsequent offence.

(2) For the purposes of this Act, the person on whose behalf any sale is made by any apprentice or servant shall be deemed to be the seller.

Sellers of
poisons may
be called on
to produce
to coroner
books kept
by them
under this
Act.

6. (1) Any coroner may on any investigation being held before him call on any seller of poisons to produce for examination the books kept by him in accordance with this Act.

(2) Any seller of poisons who fails to produce the said books when called on to do so shall be liable to the penalty specified in section 17 of the Coroners Act.

Cap. 113.

(3) This section shall not be deemed in anywise to diminish the liability of any person selling poison to be called on to produce before a coroner or any other person such, or any other, books or documents the production of which may now be by law compelled.

FIRST SCHEDULE

s.2(1).

Poisons to which this Act applies

- Aconite, and its preparations
- Amphetamines (β -aminopropylbenzene
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10.1.1957.
- Arsenic, and its preparations
- Belladonna, and its preparations
- Barium, salts of
- Cantharides
- Corrosive Sublimate, and all other poisonous preparations of Mercury
- Chloroform
- Chloral Hydrate
- Croton Oil
- Ergot of Rye, and its preparations
- Essential Oil of Almonds, unless deprived of its Prussic acid
- Metallic mercury and Quicksilver Resolution
18.7.1918.
- Nux Vomica, and its preparations
- Opium, and all preparations of opium or poppies
- Oxalic Acid
- Poisonous Glucosides
- Phosphorus
- Prussic Acid
- Potassium Cyanide, and all metallic cyanides
- Savin, and its oil
- Strychnine, and all poisonous vegetable alkaloids and their salts
- Tartar Emetic
- Tolbutamide and its preparations, including Rastinon, Orinase and Artosin

SECOND SCHEDULE

s.4(3).

	Date and address of purchaser	Name and quantity of poison sold	Purpose for which it is required	Signature of purchaser	Signature of person introducing purchaser

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