[Act No. 2609., February 04, 1916]

AN ACT TO PENALIZE THE THEFT AND DESTRUCTION OF COCONUTS AND TO ESTABLISH THE PENALTIES TO BE IMPOSED IN EACH CASE.

By authority of the United States, be it enacted by the tli Philippine Legislature, that:

SECTION 1. Any person who gathers two or more coconuts that have fallen or been left on the ground, or who takes them off the tree, without the knowledge and consent of the owner, or steals them in any other manner, or cuts the young nuts or the trunks of coconut trees in order to appropriate their nuts to his own use, without the permission of the owner, shall be punished under subsections one, two, three, and four, and the first paragraph of subsection five of article five hundred and eighteen of the Penal Code, as the case may be.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, February 4, 1916.



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