

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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Wednesday, the 3rd day of August, 1881.

LICENSING BILL.

The Honourable Mr. WHITAKER, in Committee on the Licensing Bill, to move the following amendments:—

Page 4, clause 2. To omit "The Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1877," and to substitute "The Adulteration Prevention Act, 1880."

Page 5, lines 14, 15. To omit "or for keeping billiard-tables."

Page 6, after clause 4, line 24. To insert the following as a new clause:—

5. "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," is hereby incorporated with this Act.

Page 24, after clause 78. To insert the following as a new clause:—

79. On application for the renewal of any accommodation license, the Licensing Committee may—

- (1.) Vary the conditions upon which any such license shall be renewed; or
- (2.) At the request of the applicant, grant to him a publican's license instead of renewing his accommodation license, if they shall see fit, and think the accommodation provided to be sufficient; or
- (3.) Require the applicant to enlarge his premises within a certain time to be specified by the Committee, and to take out a publican's license for the same, renewing his accommodation license only for the time so specified, on such conditions as they shall think fit.

Page 34, line 14. To omit "or a family-hotel license."

Page 38. To add the following words to clause 152:—

The provisions of this section shall not apply to clubs, which may remain open at all hours, but liquors shall not be sold or disposed of therein except between the hours stated in section *thirty*.

Page 53, "Wholesale license." To omit the words "of any one description of liquor."

Page 53, "Conditional license." To omit from "whereas" to "certificate," in line 3, and to substitute the following words: "Whereas A.B. and C.D., two members of the Licensing Committee, on the day of , have, by their certificate."

Page 55, third form therein. To omit from "the next," to "apply" inclusive, and substitute "the expiration of *seven* days from this date apply to the Licensing Committee, or to the Chairman thereof."

Page 57, fourth form therein. To omit the first three lines, and to substitute "We, the undersigned, being two members of the Licensing Committee, do."

Page 57, last form therein. After "I, the undersigned," to insert "being Chairman of the Licensing Committee [*or* We, being two members of the Licensing Committee]."

Next line. After "to me," to insert "[*or* to us]."

Page 58, Ninth Schedule. After "I, the undersigned," to insert "being Chairman of the Licensing Committee [*or* We, being two members of the Licensing Committee]."

CLUBS.

Nothing in this Act shall apply to clubs, except the provisions herein-after contained.

"Club" means an association of persons combined for promoting the common object of private social intercourse, convenience, and comfort.

It shall not be lawful for any club, or for any person on the premises of any club, to sell or dispose of any spiritous or fermented liquor without the club being duly licensed to sell or dispose of the same under this Act.

Every club shall be entitled to a license in the form set forth in the Schedule to this Act, authorizing liquor to be sold on the club premises to its members and their guests.

Subject to the conditions hereafter set forth, such license shall be granted by the Resident Magistrate of the district within which the club is situate on application, and on payment of a license fee of twenty pounds to the person entitled to receive the license fees of the licensing district within which the club is situate.

Club licenses shall continue in force for one year from the time of granting the same, and shall be renewed annually on a like payment.

No association of persons shall be deemed a club within the provisions of this Act unless it is subject to the following conditions:—

- (1.) The club shall be the beneficial owners, lessees, or tenants of the club premises, but the same may be vested in trustees for the club.
- (2.) Every ordinary member of the club shall pay an annual subscription.
- (3.) No club shall consist of less than fifty ordinary members.
- (4.) After the first constitution of a club new ordinary members shall be elected by existing ordinary members according to rules prescribed for the purpose.
- (5.) The club shall be under the management of a committee elected for the purpose by the members of the club.
- (6.) No person shall have any share or interest in the real or personal property of a club except as a trustee or member.
- (7.) No person shall directly or indirectly be entitled to, or have or receive, any profit on the sale of liquors by a club to its members or guests, but all such profit shall belong to the club.

No license shall be granted to a club by the Resident Magistrate unless and until he is satisfied that the above conditions are complied with.

Whenever it is alleged that any of the above conditions are broken or not complied with by a club, the Resident Magistrate of the district within which the club is situated shall call upon the committee of management, by writing left at the club's premises, to show cause why the club's license should not be cancelled.

If no sufficient cause is shown before a day to be fixed by the Resident Magistrate, the license shall be cancelled by a notice left at the club premises, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*.