

Supplementary Order Paper.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 20th Day of October, 1927.

SHOPS AND OFFICES AMENDMENT BILL.

Hon. Mr. ANDERSON, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

Clause 4: To add the following as subclause (2):—

“(2) This section shall, in its application to any shop, be read subject to any award or industrial agreement requiring the provision of dining-room and cloak-room accommodation for women employed in such shop.”

Clause 12, subclause (1): In paragraph (a) of the proviso to subsection (1) of section sixty-nine of the principal Act, as set out in this subclause, to insert, after the words “statutory closing-day” (page 4, line 14), the words “or require him to close his shop on the day so elected earlier than the hour at which he would be required to close it, for the purposes of the statutory closing-day, on any other day of the week.”

Clause 12, subclause (3): To add, in line 27 after the words “such provision shall cease to operate,” the words “With respect to districts to which section thirty-one of the principal Act applies the hours so fixed by any award shall (subject to the proviso to subsection one of section sixty-nine of the principal Act, as set out in subsection one of this section) continue to be observed during the currency of the award, and any exemptions therefrom granted before the commencement of this Act shall, subject to section *fourteen* hereof, enure while such closing-hours continue to be so observed.”

[NOTE.—*The words proposed as above to be added to subclause (3) of clause 12 are in lieu of the words proposed by the Labour Bills Committee.*]

Clause 16: To omit the words “to whom an order of exemption under either of the *two last preceding* sections has been granted,” and substitute the words “to whom has been granted any exemption from the closing-hours fixed in respect of his shop.”

New Clauses.

New clause 1A: To move the following in lieu of clause 1A in the Bill as reported from the Labour Bills Committee:—

“1A. Subsection two of section two of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing the definition of the term “florist,” and substituting the following definition: “Florist” means a person whose business is to sell flowers, whether fresh-cut or made up, artificial flowers, pot-plants, raffia, and florists’ requisites.”

Section 2 of principal Act amended.

To insert the following new clause :—

Section 35 of
principal Act
amended.

11A. Subsection one of section thirty-five of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting all words after the words “this section shall not” down to and including the word “Inspector,” and substituting the words “while medicines and surgical appliances are obtainable from any such exempted shop, apply to any chemist’s shop in the district which, by the nearest route as determined by the Inspector, is within such distance (not exceeding two miles and a half in any case) as may be set out in the requisition.”

New clause 20A. : To move this clause in the Bill as reported from the Labour Bills Committee, with the addition to subclause (3) (on page 8) of the following proviso :—

“Provided that the occupier of an hotel, private hotel, or boarding-house shall not sell smoking requisites to any person other than a *bona fide* lodger therein after the hour or hours set out in the notice referred to in subsection *one* hereof.”

To insert the following new clauses :—

Mode of
determining
whether
building or
place is a shop
or a restaurant.

21C. For the purpose of determining whether or not any building or place is a shop or a restaurant within the meaning of the principal Act no account shall be taken of any business carried on therein which is not subject to that Act.

Modifying
application of
section 40 of
principal Act to
certain female
assistants.

21D. Nothing in section forty of the principal Act shall apply to any female assistant over the age of twenty-one years employed in connection with any dance, banquet, or other social function, or the supplying of refreshments to patrons in any public dance-hall, if provision to the satisfaction of the Inspector is made for the conveyance to her home of such assistant on the completion of her work.