

Miscellaneous.

[No. 5.]

Magistrates' Reply to Governor's Letter of 5th January, 1861, relative to case of Patrick Kenny, prisoner for Assault, &c., &c.

POLICE OFFICE, St. John's, }
January 12th, 1860. }

SIR,—

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Letter of the 5th instant, directing us to report upon the several matters therein referred to.

In reply, we beg respectfully to state, for Your Excellency's information, that Walter Joy, at whose house Lamey and Kenny had been dringing, is not a licensed publican; but we would remark that Joy was prosecuted for selling liquor, without license, on the 22nd November last, and in the sum of Four pounds, with costs and expenses.

The laws existing for the granting of licences, and regulating licensed houses, for the sale by retail of spirituous liquors, are the Acts 3rd Vic., Cap. 6, and 19th Vic. Cap. 9.

Your Excellency having been pleased to refer to us for our opinion upon the Police Force in St. John's, we would respectfully state that, in the absense of a Night Watch, which we always considered essentially necessary from October to May, we would recommend an additional force of fourteen men, who, with the present number, would, in our judgment, be sufficient to preserve order both by day and night.

We respectfully refer Your Excellency to the accompanying list, shewing the present Police beats, and which are regulated by the Inspector of Police.

We have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's obedient humble servants,

P. W. CARTER, J.P.
THOMAS BENNETT, J.P.

His Excellency Sir A. BANNERMAN, }
Governor, &c., &c., &c. }