

Should not the License Committee examine, or cause to be examined minutely, every application, and especially the signatures appended thereto, and ascertain the character of each applicant, and the reputation of the house for which license is asked,—ascertain whether the signatures on the bond required by law are the names of reputable and responsible persons,—and then grant only so many as may appear to be required?

Should there be more than one licensed house for every one thousand of the population?

Under Act 19th and 20th Vic., c. 101, the Council could require all houses of "entertainment" to have a certain number of sleeping apartments, stabling accommodation, &c., for want of which there are now so many one-hole places licensed in this city.

Would it not subserve the interests of society that the committee publish, first, the names of all applicants for license, with the full designation of their premises? and, second, publish a similar list of those to whom license had been granted?

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The following are altered from a statement laid before the Royal Commission on the Forbes' McKenzie Act, by the Glasgow Abstainers' Union:—

No grocer or provision dealer should be licensed to sell intoxicating liquors.

No premises having back or side doors should be licensed.

No liquor license should be granted for, or in connection with, places of public amusement.

No intoxicating liquors should be allowed to be sold on river or canal boats, or railway cars, or at railway stations, nor at fairs, races, or other public gatherings.

No property belonging to any Municipal Corporation, nor the premises of any Municipal Councillor, nor of any public officer, or of any officer under the general Government, should be licensed.

No house for the sale of intoxicating liquors should be opened before 8 o'clock, a.m., nor kept open after 8 p.m., during the week days—nor at all during the Sabbath.

Tenants or occupiers of premises where illicit traffic is carried on, and all parties found on such premises, accessory to or cognizant of illicit selling, whether purchasers of liquor or others, should be subjected to penalties as actual traffickers.

Dealers in intoxicating liquors should bear the entire expense incurred in attending to, and dealing with such cases brought before the Courts, as are known by the designations "drunk," "drunk and disorderly," &c., and all cases of accident or death traceable to their instrumentality,—besides being liable to civil suits in certain cases.

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