

Sect. 2. Section 5 of the said Act is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

No person shall, in any city in this State, solicit emigrant passengers or their luggage for emigrant boarding-houses, passenger offices, forwarding or transportation lines, without the license of the mayor of such city, for which he shall pay the sum of 20 dollars per annum, and give satisfactory bonds to said mayor in the penal sum of 300 dollars, as security for his good behaviour: nor shall any person, not a native or naturalized citizen of the United States, be so licensed. The said mayor may, at any time, revoke such license for good cause shown. Every person so licensed shall wear, in a conspicuous place about his person, a badge or plate, of such character and in such manner as said mayor shall prescribe, with the words " licensed emigrant runner " inscribed thereon, with his name and the number of his license; no person who is not of approved good moral character, shall be licensed as such runner. Every person who shall solicit alien emigrant passengers or others for the benefit of boarding-houses, passenger offices or forwarding lines, upon any street, lane, alley, or upon any dock, pier or public highway, or any other place within the corporate bounds of any city in this State, or upon any waters adjacent thereto, over which any of said cities may have jurisdiction, without such license, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by imprisonment in the county prison or jail not less than three months, nor exceeding one year. But this section shall not be so construed as to prohibit the proprietors of emigrant boarding-houses from soliciting emigrant passengers on their own account without such license (if licensed as emigrant boarding-house keepers), anything in section 2, to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

State of New York, Secretary's Office.

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of the said original.

Christopher Morgan,
Secretary of State.

Albany, 20 April 1849.

AN ACT to amend " An Act for the Protection of Emigrants arriving in the State of New York."—(Passed 11 April 1849, " three-fifths being present.")

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECT. 1. The 3d and 7th sections of the Act intituled, " An Act for the Protection of Emigrants arriving in the State of New York," is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Sect. 3. All persons keeping houses in any of the cities of this State for the purpose of boarding emigrant passengers, shall be required to have a license for said purpose from the mayor of the city in which such houses are located; and such person so licensed shall pay to the said city the sum of 10 dollars per annum, and shall give bonds satisfactory to said mayor, with one or more sureties, in the penal sum of 500 dollars, for their good behaviour, and the proper conduct of all agents and runners in their employ, and said mayor is hereby authorized to revoke said license for cause. Every keeper of such boarding-house shall, under a penalty of 50 dollars, cause to be kept conspicuously posted in the public rooms of such house, in the English, German, Dutch, French and Welch languages, and printed upon business cards, to be kept for distribution as hereinafter provided, a list of the rates of prices which will be charged emigrants per day and week for board and lodging, and also the rates for separate meals, which card shall contain the name of the keeper of such house, together with its number, and the name of the street in which such house is situated. The keeper of such house shall also file a copy of said list in the city of New York in the office of the Commissioners of Emigration, and in each of the other cities of this state with the mayor of said city, and with the agent of the Commissioners of Emigration, and the keeper of any emigrant boarding-house who shall neglect or refuse to post a list of rates, or to keep business-cards so as above provided, or who shall charge, or receive, or permit or suffer to be charged or received for the use of such keeper or for any other person, any greater sum than according to the rates of prices so posted and printed on business-cards, and if any runner employed by any boarding-house keeper, or any emigrant boarding-house keeper himself, shall engage any emigrants as guests for such boarding-house, without delivering to every such emigrant a printed business-card as above provided, he shall, upon conviction thereof, be deprived of his or her license, and be punished by a fine not less than 50, nor more than 100 dollars, to be recovered in the city of New York by the Commissioners of Emigration, and in the other cities of this State by the mayors thereof. and any person who shall keep a boarding or lodging-house for emigrants within any of the cities of this State, who shall refuse or neglect to obtain a license in pursuance of the provisions of this section, shall, upon the first conviction, forfeit the penalty of 100 dollars, and upon a subsequent conviction, shall forfeit the penalty of 200 dollars, to be recovered by the persons and in the manner above set forth.

Sect. 7. No person or persons shall exercise the vocation of booking emigrant passengers, or taking money for their inland fare, or for the transportation of the luggage of such passengers, without keeping a public office for the transaction of such business, nor without the