

The Liquor License Act of 1887, a Provincial statute, is in force in the city of St. John, the chief city of the Province, and in some counties where the Canada Temperance Act has not been brought into operation.

It is a very efficient license law and gives good satisfaction. The principal feature of the Act are high license, limited number of taverns, early closing hours, particularly on Saturday evenings, and separation of the saloon from other kinds of business.

The committee recommend that a copy of the above Minute when approved by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor be transmitted to the Honourable the Secretary of State.

And it is so accordingly ordered.

Certified.

(Signed) F. A. H. STRAFON,
C. E. C.

Government House, Prince Edward Island,
December 28, 1889.

SIR,

IN compliance with the request contained in your Despatch, 1st October 1889, duly to hand, I have the honour to transmit to you, herewith, copies of official statements showing the working of the Liquor Laws in the city of Charlottetown and town of Summerside respectively from the year 1876 to the year 1889 inclusive.

I am advised that these are the only statistics on this subject that can be procured in this Province.

The Hon. the Secretary of State,
Ottawa.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. S. CARVELL,
Lieutenant Governor.

STATEMENT showing number of cases tried under the Canada Temperance Act from the year 1879, the date when the same became law in the town of Summerside, to the present time, how the same was disposed of, also showing cases tried for drunkenness during the period since the time the town was organised as a corporation.

| Offences against Canada Temperance Act | | | | Offences against Bylaws, relating to drunkenness | | |
|--|--|------------|-------|--|------------|-------|
| Year | Convictions | Dismissals | Total | Convictions | Dismissals | Total |
| 1876 | | | | 34 | 1 | 35 |
| 1877 | The Canada Temperance Act not in force during these years. | | | 56 | — | 56 |
| 1878 | | | | 51 | — | 51 |
| 1879 | | | | 31 | — | 31 |
| 1880 | | | | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| 1881 | 6 | — | 6 | 40 | — | 40 |
| 1882 | 24 | 9 | 33 | 34 | — | 34 |
| 1883 | 10 | 5 | 15 | 9 | — | 9 |
| 1884 | 24 | 6 | 30 | 23 | — | 23 |
| 1885 | 18 | 7 | 25 | 17 | — | 17 |
| 1886 | 10 | 7 | 17 | 36 | — | 36 |
| 1887 | 19 | 1 | 20 | 25 | — | 25 |
| 1888 | 15 | — | 15 | 23 | — | 23 |
| 1889 | 16 | 15 | 31 | 54 | — | 54 |
| | 147 | 52 | 199 | 452 | 4 | 456 |

Summerside, December 24, 1889.

(Signed) J. GOURLIE,
Town Clerk.