

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of Upper Canada as to the issue of Shop and Tavern Licenses.

WHEREAS the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors is larger than the necessities of the community require, and it is necessary for the more effectual suppression of intemperance, pauperism and crime, that further restraints be placed upon the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in taverns or otherwise. Therefore, Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:—

Preamble.

1. There shall be appointed on the fourth Tuesday of January or on some day thereafter, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one and triennially thereafter, in each County or Union of Counties, by the County Council, and in each City by the City Council, throughout Upper Canada, three reputable freeholders residents of their respective Counties or Cities, possessing the same property qualifications as that required for Municipal or City Councillors respectively, who shall constitute and be known as the Board of Inspectors of Tavern and Shop Licenses for their respective Counties and Cities, and shall hold office for three years from date of appointment. If any vacancy by death or otherwise occur in the said Board of Inspectors, such vacancy shall be filled by the Council for the unexpired term of office of such Inspector, and every Inspector before he shall enter upon the duties of his office shall subscribe upon oath a declaration that he will faithfully perform and discharge the duties of his office to the best of his ability, and is not directly or indirectly interested in the sale of intoxicating liquors

Board of Inspectors of Licenses.

2. The Inspectors shall meet in their respective Counties, at the place where the County Courts are required to be held, and in Cities in the City Hall, on the first Monday of February, or some day thereafter in each year, and on such other days as a majority of the Inspectors shall appoint, not exceeding ten days in any one year in Counties, or twenty days in Cities, for the purpose of granting Licenses, as hereinafter provided.

Place of meeting of Board.

3. They shall keep a book of minutes of all their proceedings, in which shall be entered every resolution passed by them granting a license to any person, with the sum required to be paid, which minutes shall be verified by their signatures, and, together with the bonds taken pursuant to the provisions of this Act, shall be fyled with the Clerk of the Municipality for which such license shall be granted, and in the several cities with the City Clerk, within ten days thereafter.

Minutes of proceedings.

4. Each of the said Boards of Inspectors shall have the right to appoint a Clerk for the time they may be actually in session, in accordance with the provisions of this Act; such Clerk shall receive such compensation as the Inspectors shall determine, but not less than two nor more than four

Appointment of Clerk.