

In order to provide for penalties in case of neglect of duty, by reserve officers, the duties of each officer would have to be defined and the penalty specified in each case, instead of collectively.

By-law No. 8

Clause 3 of this by-law cannot be approved; the substance of this by-law is already covered by the liquor clauses of the Indian Act.

Clause 9 cannot be approved, as the purpose of this by-law is already covered by the Lord's Day Act; or if this clause goes even farther than the Act quoted, the Department would not consider it wise to recommend such severity.

Clause 12 has been slightly amended so as to indicate clearly that playing cards, billiards, bagatelle, &c., is prohibited only when done for gambling purposes, that is, to make money; as otherwise these forms of amusement are innocent.

Clause 17 has been amended by a reduction of the penalty from fifty to thirty dollars, the latter amount being the maximum allowed under subsection 3 of section 93 of the Indian Act.

By-law No. 9

In this by-law a few lines of a preambular nature have been deleted, as they only constitute a record of the fact that the council agreed to make certain by-laws, but do not form part of by-law No. 9.

Clerical Alterations.

It has been found necessary to make several clerical alterations; but it is believed that the reasons for doing so will be so apparent that no explanations will be required.

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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