

"Beer Duty Act, 1880."

(Circular Memo. No. 6/92.)

The following general orders issued by the Customs Department in 1881 are republished for general information and guidance, and all ranks of this department are directed to give their cordial co-operation to the Customs officials in carrying out the provisions of "The Beer Duty Act, 1880." The Commissioner points out that without the aid of the police it is quite impossible for the Customs Department to place any check on practices detrimental to the revenue, such as the return by publicans to brewers of casks with undefaced stamps upon them, and therefore asks that all possible assistance will be promptly and cheerfully given by all ranks.

A. HUME,
Commissioner of Police.
By order. Wellington, 28th March, 1892. (92/447.)

Customs General Orders.

(No. 47/81.)

A constable may be appointed at each station to see that the provisions of the Beer Duty Acts are properly enforced.

(No. 48/81.)

1. Constables so appointed should make occasional visits at uncertain intervals to hotels and other places where beer is kept or sold; but they are only to visit breweries for the purpose of internal inspection under exceptional circumstances, and should refer to the Collector of the district to obtain his authority before making such inspection.

2. They should confine themselves chiefly to the inspection of casks of beer in transit, with the object of seeing that the casks have been properly stamped, that the stamps on full casks have been duly cancelled, and those on empty or returned casks destroyed.

Suppression of Games of Chance on Racecourses, &c.

(Circular Memo. No. 8/92.)

THE Commissioner's attention having been called to the want of uniformity of system throughout the colony in dealing with spielers and games of chance on racecourses and other public gatherings, the attention of Inspectors is called to "The Gaming and Lotteries Act, 1881," clause 8, which distinctly prohibits all such games. The spielers conducting their games are first to be warned that games of chance are not permitted, and if any have been started they are to be directed to desist; and if they then fail to discontinue, their instruments are to be seized, and action is to be taken against them. It is necessary that the law be strictly enforced in this matter in all districts; and it is believed that the suppression of games of chance, and thereby, of spielers, will very soon materially lessen crime.

A. HUME,
Commissioner of Police.
By order. Wellington, 2nd April, 1892. (92/389.)

JOSEPH O'MARA and James Ramsay, two notorious Queensland thieves, arrived at the Bluff, as seamen, in the s.s. "Indramayo," from Brisbane, on the 10th ultimo, and deserted the vessel shortly after. Description: O'Mara is Irish, a labourer, twenty-three years of age, 5ft. 9in. in height, weighs about 11st. 4lb., brown hair and eyes, blotched letters on right wrist. Ramsay is Scotch, a store-keeper, thirty-six years of age, 5ft. 6in. high, about 13st. weight, fair hair, brown eyes, bruise on right shin, face highly coloured and blotched. They are supposed to have brought a quantity of stolen property with them (watches and jewellery), and it is requested that steps may be taken to ascertain if such is the case, or if they have disposed of any in this colony. Photographs and list of watches, &c., recently reported stolen, at Commissioner's Office. (92/289.)

Extracts from New Zealand Gazette.

(From *Gazette*, 1892, pages 514, 517, 519, 520, 522, 541, 542, 544, and 545.)

Licensing District altered.

(L.S.) JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the sixth section of "The Licensing Act, 1881," it is enacted that the Governor shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the commencement of the said Act, by Proclamation in the *Gazette*, from time to time define districts to be licensing districts under the said Act, and from time to time may alter and redefine the boundaries of the same: And whereas it is expedient to alter and redefine the boundaries of the District of Hampden:

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, alter and redefine the boundaries of

the said district, which shall be those described in the Schedule hereto, such alteration to take effect upon the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

SCHEDULE.**INANGAHUA COUNTY.**

Hampden.—All that area known as the Hampden Riding of the County of Inangahua, as described in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 63, of the 28th November, 1876.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, the Administrator of the Government of Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-second day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

W. P. REEVES.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Certain Goods deemed specially dangerous under "The Dangerous Goods Act, 1882."

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this sixteenth day of March, 1892.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT
IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Dangerous Goods Act, 1882," His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that the following goods, namely, gelatine-dynamite, gelignite, and also all fuses and detonators for igniting and discharging the above-named explosives, shall be deemed "specially dangerous" within the meaning of the said Act.

And in further pursuance and exercise of the said powers and authorities, and by and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, His said Excellency doth hereby declare that the provisions of this Order in Council shall extend to the whole of the Colony of New Zealand.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Special Licensing District abolished.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-second day of March, 1892.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT
IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of all powers enabling him in this behalf under "The Licensing Act, 1881," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the said colony doth hereby abolish the Special Licensing District of Owen, situate within the County of Inangahua, and which was proclaimed to be a special licensing district under the said Act, such abolition to take effect upon the thirty-first day of March instant.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Rangitikei District.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock-pheasants and quail may be taken or killed in the County of Rangitikei from the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, both inclusive (subject nevertheless to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take