

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Monday, the 28th Day of August, 1893.

ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS SALE CONTROL BILL.

Mr. G. HUTCHISON, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

That subclauses (3) and (4), of clause 15, with the proviso at the end of the clause, be recommitted, and such subclauses and proviso be struck out and the following subclauses inserted in lieu thereof:—

(3.) If, on counting the votes, the Returning Officer finds—

(a.) That a majority of the total number of votes of the electors on the roll are given in favour of the proposal that no licenses shall be granted in the district; or, in the event of less than one-half of the total number of electors on the roll having voted; or

(b.) If a majority of three-fifths of the votes recorded are given in favour of the proposal that no licenses shall be granted in the district;

Then, in either of such events, such proposal shall be deemed to be carried, and the Returning Officer shall notify the Licensing Committee thereof; and thereafter, except as provided in section *four*, the Committee shall, at each of the annual meetings within the next three years, reduce the number of licenses in the district as nearly as may be by equal numbers each year, but so that the whole number shall be extinguished by the end of the three years.

(4.) If, on counting the votes, the Returning Officer finds that the number of votes recorded in favour of the proposal that no licenses be granted in the district is insufficient to carry such proposal, but yet that the votes given in favour of such proposal added to the number of votes given at the same poll in favour of the proposal that the number of licenses in the district shall be reduced, amount together to an absolute majority of the total number of votes recorded at the poll, then and in such case the proposal that the number of licenses in the district be reduced shall be deemed to be carried, and the Returning Officer shall notify the Licensing Committee thereof, and the number of licenses shall be reduced accordingly.

That the following new clause and schedule be added:—

15A. In the case of a determination at a poll that no publicans' licenses shall be granted, then at the time for the next ensuing triennial poll a proposal as to whether there shall be any publicans' licenses granted or not shall be submitted to the electors for their determination; and section *fourteen* shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply generally to the mode of taking the said poll, excepting that the voting-papers for such poll shall be according to the form in the *Second* Schedule to this Act.

And if such proposal be carried by a majority of the total number of electors on the roll, then the Committee shall, at the next annual meeting, grant publicans' licenses in such district at a rate not exceeding one license to every seven hundred of the population of such district so far as such number can be ascertained from the last preceding census.

.....SCHEDULE.

In respect of Publicans' Licenses.

I vote that publicans' licenses be granted.

I vote that no publicans' licenses be granted.

Directions.

[As in First Schedule.]