General Rules to be observed in the House.

II. And be it further enacted, That the following Rules and Regulations shall be observed and carried into effect in the said House of Correction, so far as such Rules may be applicable or can be applied to the particular description or class of Prisoners confined in such Prison:

First.—The Keeper of the said House of Correction shall reside therein; he shall not be an under Sheriff or Bailiff, nor shall he be concerned in any occupation or trade whatsoever; no such Keeper shall sell, nor shall any person in trust for him or employed by him, sell or have any benefit or advantage from the sale of any article to any Prisoner, nor shall he directly or indirectly have any interest in any contract or agreement for the supply of such Gaol.

Second.—A Matron shall be appointed for the same, who shall reside therein, and it shall be the duty of the Matron constantly to superintend the Female Prisoners.

Third.—The Keeper shall as far as may be practicable, visit every Ward and see every Prisoner, and inspect every cell once at least in every twenty four hours, and when the Keeper or any other Officer shall visit the Female Prisoners, he shall be accompanied by the Matron, or in case of her unavoidable absence, by some Female Officer of the Prison.

Fourth.—The Keeper shall keep a Journal in which he shall record all punishments inflicted by his authority or by that of the visiting Commissioner, and the day when such punishments shall have taken place, and all other occurrences within the said House of Correction, in such manner as shall be directed by the regulations to be made by this Act; which Journal shall be produced and shewn to the Commissioners.

Fifth.—Due provision shall be made for the enforcement of hard labour; the means of hard labour shall be provided, and the materials requisite for the employment of Prisoners shall be purchased under such regulations as shall be made for the purpose by the Commissioners. If the work to be performed by the Prisoners be of such a nature as to require previous instruction, proper persons shall be appointed to afford the same.

Sixth.—The Male and Female Prisoners shall be confined in separate parts of the Establishment so as to prevent them from conversing or holding any intercourse with each other.

Seventh.—Female Prisoners shall in all cases be attended by Female Officers. Eighth.—Every Prisoner shall, unless prevented by sickness, be employed so many hours in every day, not exceeding ten, exclusive of the time allowed for meals, as shall be directed by the Rules and Regulations to be made under this Act, except on Sundays, Christmas Days, Good Friday and other days appointed by authority for fasting or thanksgiving.

Ninth.—Prayers to be selected from the Liturgy of the Church of England by the Chaplain, the Keeper, or by some other person, as by the Rules and Regulations shall be directed, and portions of the Scriptures shall be read to the Prisoners when assembled for instruction by the Chaplain or such person as he may appoint or authorize.

Tenth. Prisoners shall attend Divine Service on Sundays, and on all other days when such service is performed, unless prevented by illness or some other reasonable cause, to be allowed by the Keeper, or unless their attendance be dispensed with by one of the Visiting Commissioners.

Eleventh.—Every Prisoner shall be allowed a sufficient quantity of plain wholesome food to be regulated by the Commissioners; regard being had to the nature of the labour required from or performed by such Prisoners, so that the allowance of food may be duly apportioned thereto, and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners to order for such Prisoners as are not able to work, such allowance of food as the said Commissioners may think necessary; Prisoners under the care of the Surgeon shall be allowed such diet as he may direct.

Twelfth.—Every Prisoner shall be provided with suitable bedding, and every Male Prisoner with a separate Bed, Hammock or Cot either in a separate cell, or in a cell with not less than two other Male Prisoners.

Thirteenth.—The walls and enterings of the wards, cells, rooms and passages used by Prisoners throughout the Building, shall be scraped and lime washed at least once in a year. The day rooms, work rooms, passages and sleeping cells shalt be washed or cleansed once a week or oftener, if requisite.

Fourteenth.—All Prisoners shall be allowed as much air and exercise as may be

deemed proper for the preservation of their health.

Fisteenth.-No Tap shall be kept in the Prison, nor shall Spirituous Liquors of any kind be admitted for the use of any of the Prisoners therein under any pretence whatever, unless by a written order of the Surgeon, specifying the