

Incorporated Town, one for each full two hundred and fifty of the first one thousand of the population in such Ward, and one for each full five hundred over one thousand of the population. Provided further, that in the City of Saint John, subject to the provisions of sub-sections (4) and (5) there shall not in any year be granted more than seventy-five tavern licenses.

(2) The number of tavern licenses to be granted in the respective Parishes shall not in each year be in excess of the following scale:—One for each four hundred up to twelve hundred of the population, and one for each full thousand beyond twelve hundred of population.

(3) One tavern license may be granted in any Parish, notwithstanding the population of such Parish shall not amount to four hundred.

(4) In the City of Saint John, six hotels, each having suitable sleeping accommodation for at least fifty guests, and one additional hotel having such accommodation for at least two hundred guests, may be licensed in addition to the number provided for in sub-section (1) of this section.

(5) The proviso in sub-section (1) limiting the number of tavern licenses in the City of Saint John to seventy-five, shall not apply during the license year commencing on the first day of May, A. D. 1896.

(6) Provided, also, that no tavern license shall be granted in any Ward or Parish in which the second part of The Canada Temperance Act is not now in force and in which at the time of the passing of this Act there are no licensed taverns, nor in any case of the repeal hereafter of the second part of the Canada Temperance Act in any City, Town or other Municipality where the same is now in force, shall any tavern license, be granted in any Ward or Parish of any such City, Town or other Municipality in which Ward or Parish there was no licensed tavern at the time of the adoption in such City, Town or other Municipality of the second part of the said The Canada Temperance Act.

20. The number of the population which is to determine the number of licenses at any time under this Act shall be according to the then last preceding census taken under the authority of the Dominion of Canada.

21. If on or before the first day of January in any year, a petition of one quarter of the ratepayers in any Ward of a City or Town or any Parish, is presented to the Mayor of any City or Town, or Warden of any other municipality in districts where under this Act licenses may be granted, praying that a vote may be taken of the ratepayers in such Ward or Parish in such City, Town or other Municipality, on the question of whether or not, having in view the quiet of the neighborhood and other circumstances, it is expedient that licenses shall be granted in such Ward or Parish, it shall be the duty of the Council of such City, Town or other municipality to have a vote taken as early as reasonably may be of the ratepayers of such Ward or Parish upon the said question. The Council of such City, Town or other municipality shall prescribe the mode of taking such vote, as to the appointment of officers, form of ballots, and all other matters in connection therewith, provided, however, that the form of ballot and provisions to ensure secret voting prescribed by The Canada Temperance Act for an election to bring the second part of that Act into force, shall be followed as nearly as possible. If a majority of the ratepayers, on such vote being taken, declare against the granting of such licenses, no liquor licenses shall be granted in such Ward or Parish either on the first of May then next ensuing, or until such decision may be reversed, as hereinafter provided. And if a majority of such ratepayers, on such vote being taken, do not declare against granting such licenses, then they may be granted in such Ward or Parish until such last mentioned vote is reversed, as hereinafter provided. At any time after three years from such first vote another