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The Shattuck Liquor Law.

So much discussion has been caused by the passage of the Shattuck liquor license bill which promises to revolutionize the liquor interests in the state, that we publish the following summary of the bill as signed by the governor:

Somewhat summarized, the title describes the bill as "An act to regulate the business of conducting a barroom, cabaret, coffee house, cafe, beer saloon, liquor exchange, drinking saloon, grog-shop, beer house, beer garden where alcoholic or spirituous, vinous and malt liquors or intoxicating beverages in quantities of less than five gallons." Further, the stipulation is made that the law is not to repeal any local option, or "wet" or "dry" conditions in any section of the State.

By section 1 the license shall be based on the annual gross receipts of said business, as follows:

First Class—On gross receipts of \$50,000 and over, \$1600.

Second Class—From \$40,000 to \$50,000, license \$1400.

Third Class—From \$30,000 to \$40,000, license \$1200.

Fourth Class—From \$20,000 to \$30,000, license \$900.

Fifth Class—From \$10,000 to \$20,000, license \$600.

Sixth Class—From \$5000 to \$10,000, license \$400.

Seventh Class—Less than \$5000, license \$200.

No license shall be charged on the sale of refreshments for charitable or religious purposes, and no establishment dispensing in less quantities than one pint shall pay a license of less than \$200.

For establishments selling malt and vinous liquors exclusively in quantities less than five gallons, the license shall be one-half of that provided above for general sale of alcoholic beverages. Druggists shall not be exempt who sell intoxicating beverages, on the prescription of a physician or otherwise, although the act shall not apply to the sale by druggists of compounds in the preparation of which such intoxicating beverages are sold on the prescription of a physician or otherwise, and which compounds are not intoxicating beverages prepared in evasion of this act nor of the local option law.

Upon the police juries of the several parishes, the city councils and boards of aldermen of the cities, towns and villages is laid the duty of collecting "a license of not less than \$500 on the business of operating a barroom," etc., except as above, that places selling only malt and vinous liquors shall pay only one-half of the license so imposed.

For operating such drinking places without a license, the offender shall be liable to a fine of from \$50 to \$500, or by imprisonment in jail for a term not to exceed two years, or both.

In section 4 is found the provision that no such drinking place as any of those first specified "in connection with or as a part of a grocery," unless "separated from the grocery by a solid partition reaching from the floor to the ceiling, with a double-acting door behind the counter, fitting the door frame, for the use and convenience of the proprietor and his male help only." This section, however, shall not apply to groceries where liquor is sold in the original package, and not by measure, and is not consumed on the premises. Nor

shall there be any entrance from the grocery into the barroom, and the entrance to the barroom shall be from the street, only. The same penalty as above noted is imposed for violations of this section.

That no retail license shall be issued to any woman is the next stipulation, while "no woman or girl or minor shall serve" in any drinking place.

By section 5 it is made unlawful for any proprietor to sell or give intoxicating liquors to girls or women or minors, or to set aside apartments where such persons may frequent; hotels and boarding houses however, being excepted when such beverages are sold "in connection with the service of meals or supplied to guests." The serving of whites and negroes in the "same building, consumption on the premises," is also forbidden by this section, and the same punishment as above noted is prescribed for violations.

Any person convicted of violating any of the above provisions or permitting the conduct of "any game prohibited by law" or of renting or letting premises for such purposes, shall, in addition to the punishment mentioned, be permanently deprived thereafter of the privilege of conducting a drinking place, and the court of jurisdiction shall revoke such privilege and impose the penalties specified.

Before receiving a license, continues the act, an applicant shall address a sworn petition to the proper authorities, giving the location of his proposed establishment, his name and place of residence, with "allegations" that he is of good moral character. This petition must be accompanied by the affidavits of two reputable citizens of the place, corroborating the petitioner, and notice of the filing of the petition must be published during ten days in a local daily newspaper, or three times in a weekly paper. In case of opposition to such application, the case shall be tried by the proper local authorities.

No license shall be granted for a place without the written consent of a majority of the bona fide property owners, or their agents, within 300 front feet of the proposed saloon, and even with such consent the authorities are not obliged to issue such license, and the authorities may at any time revoke a license. Nor shall any license be granted for a place within 300 feet of any church or any school, where children are taught.

Any person previously convicted, in this or any other State, of felony, shall be incompetent to hold a State or subdivision license.

According to section 10, it shall be unlawful for a proprietor to use or exhibit any musical instrument in such establishment, or to permit sparring, wrestling or cock fighting, or gambling of any description, while in modest, vulgar or obscene pictures, books or mechanical contrivances are also proscribed. The usual punishment is here provided, also.

No brewing or distilling concern shall have any interest in a drinking place.

The governing authorities of villages, towns and cities shall be empowered to restrict the sale of liquor therein, says section 12.

As to the license imposed by this act it shall be due and become delinquent at the same dates and in the same manner as provided by existing laws for licenses on other businesses, and the duties and compensation of collectors shall also be governed by existing laws.

The penalties for false swearing as to gross receipts of business shall be the same as provided for licenses for other businesses, and in addition thereto if any person shall be adjudged

guilty by any court of competent jurisdiction under any proceedings provided for by this statute of making false affidavits as to gross receipts of business such person shall be by said court permanently deprived thereafter of the privilege of conducting such business.

In section 14 it is written that this act shall only apply to cities, towns, villages and parishes of the State of Louisiana, where the sale of liquor is permitted and nothing in this act shall be construed to affect, modify, amend and repeal any local option laws or to interfere with or prevent the exercise of local option on the liquor traffic, and that nothing in this act shall be construed in any way or manner as affecting, amending, modifying or repealing any existing special or local act or acts prohibiting or restricting the sale of liquor from or within any locality or localities in this State.

That this act shall take effect from and after Dec. 31, 1908, is the provision of the sixteenth, the closing section.

Estray Notice.

Magistrate's Court, 8th Ward.
Strayed before me, Bennett I. Barrow, magistrate of the 8th ward, June 12, by D. F. Merwin, one cow and two calves, all pale red. The cow's ears are split, no marks or brands. Oldest calf is about a year old, the other, one month old, appraised by two sworn appraisers, John Steele and Allen Pate, as worth \$20.00.
B. I. BARROW,
Magistrate.

Because He Loves Her.

A young man not many years ago began call on a girl; he kept her out on the front porch late at nights; he made life a torment for her if she looked at any other man; and finally he married her. He is poor and her father is in fairly good circumstances, so that for the first time in her life she began to taste privation and self-denial. She cooks for him, cleans, sews, mends and slaves for him and their two children.

Why has this man put this woman in a position where she must experience such hardships in addition to tyranny?

Because he loves her.

This is a common interpretation of love, the sweetest word in the language.

Because he loves her, many a man has brought many a woman down to a hell, which she has loyally striven to turn into a heaven.

Woman is so constituted that so long as she believes herself loved and appreciated she can forgive anything and endure anything and be happy.

A wife is the only laborer on earth who works for her board and clothes and is expected to be grateful for the privilege.

But even she appreciates a trip and a day off now and then.

The husband who doesn't economize on expressions of affection or stint his wife on praise may do as he will without friction or argument.

So long as he doesn't sink the lover in the husband he need fear no rival.

He may forget every other rule, but if he remembers this all will be well.

Even when the steak is leather and the bread a cinder he must merely remark that the meal isn't quite up to her usual high standard of perfection—and it doesn't happen again.

Every woman is an idealist, and she will break her neck trying to live up to what she thinks a loving husband expects of her. There are worse things than work.

Sitting alone at night, waiting for a husband to come home doesn't thrill a woman a bit more than it would a man.

But any woman can be broken of the club habit or the society habit by a husband who will stay in of evenings and try to entertain her in a spirit of love anything like that of courtship days. —Shreveport Journal.



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Board of Review.

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R. M. LEAKE Clerk. C. F. HOWELL President.

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