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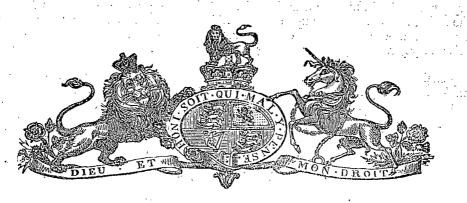
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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

LAUNCESTON MARINE BOARD.

BYE-LAW No. 16.

Laid upon the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be printed, October 24, 1876.



LAUNCESTON MARINE BOARD.

Bye-law No. 16.

To license Porters, and make Regulations for the convenience of Passengers landing on the Wharf.

Whereas, under and by virtue of the Marine Board Act (21 Vict. No. 16), the Launceston Marine Board is (amongst other things) empowered and required to make and enforce rules for the convenience of persons walking upon, or landing on, or embarking from, any wharf, for the governing and regulating of porters, carters, carmen, and others carrying goods, or using or driving horses, waggons, carts, drays, trucks, or other carriages for conveying passengers, goods, merchandise, or other commodities to or from docks or wharves, and for the convenience of persons using or resorting to the same:

It is hereby ordered and directed that, from and after the date of this Bye-law coming into operation, it shall not be lawful for any person to act as porter upon any wharf at Launceston under the jurisdiction of the Launceston Marine Board unless he shall have first obtained, and shall then hold, a porter's licence from the said Board.

The Master Warden is hereby authorised to grant a licence to act as porter on the wharf, upon payment of a fee of Five Shillings, to such person who, having made application in writing, accompanied with testimonials of character, for a porter's licence, has been approved of by the Board; and every such licence shall remain in force for a period of Twelve Months only from its date of issue and no longer, but may be renewed from time to time to the same person for the like period of Twelve Months upon payment of the fee before mentioned, unless and until the Board directs the licence to such person to be discontinued.

Every person, not having such porter's licence then in force, who upon the arrival of any steamer or vessel at the wharf, and before such steamer or vessel has entered at the Custom House, or upon the arrival of any boat at the landing stairs with passengers and their luggage from any steamer or vessel just arrived, shall carry for hire any passenger's luggage or any other parcel or package from such steamer, or vessel, or boat, shall for every such offence forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Twenty Shillings.

Every licensed porter when engaged upon the wharf as a porter shall wear on the front of his hat or cap a distinguishing mark or badge with the words "Licensed Porter," and the number of his licence thereon; and any person holding a licence acting as porter upon the said wharf without such badge shall be liable to the same penalty as if he had no licence.

Any person wearing the said badge upon the wharf, although he may not act as porter thereon, who has not a porter's licence then in force, shall forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Twenty Shillings; and should such person act as a porter he shall be liable to a double penalty (say) not exceeding Forty Shillings.

No person shall be permitted upon the arrival of a steamer or vessel at the wharf to stand upon the wharf alongside such steamer or vessel or in front of the gangway thereof so as to obstruct the free passage from such steamer or vessel of any person or persons desirous of landing therefrom; and every person who, being on the wharf and obstructing such gangway, upon being required to move by the master or any officer of the vessel, or by any officer of the Customs or Marine Board or Police, shall refuse to move, or continue to obstruct or prevent persons desirous of landing from or going on board any such steamer or vessel, shall forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Twenty Shillings.

Every person who in like manner shall obstruct the free passage of persons landing from any boat at the stairs, or who, standing upon the wharf in front of the said stairs, upon being required to move in manner aforesaid shall refuse to do so, or continue to obstruct or block up the passage, shall forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Twenty Shillings.

If any such licensed porter as aforesaid shall be found guilty of dishonesty or improper conduct, or shall make use of any obscene, threatening, indecent, insulting, or abusive language, or shall in any other manner misconduct himself whilst on the wharf, he shall for any such offence forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Forty Shillings, and in addition to such penalty it shall be lawful for the said Marine Board, if they shall see fit, to suspend his licence or entirely to revoke the same.

Made and passed by the Launceston Marine Board, when a majority in number of Wardens were present, this 17th day of October, 1876.

RICHD. GREEN, Master Warden.