

# HOUSE...No. 292.

[EXTRA SESSION.]

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[Chap. 86 of the Bill for revising and consolidating the general statutes, viz. :  
“Of the manufacture, sale, &c., of intoxicating liquors,” being under consideration, Mr. Spofford, of Newburyport, moves to amend by striking out the first eleven sections of the Bill. Mr. Merrill, of Boston, moves to amend, as follows:—]

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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Section 2, line 4. *Strike out*—“twenty.” *Insert*—thirty.

Section 5, line 3. After “agents,” *Insert*—except as hereinafter provided.

Section 7. *Strike out* the section. *Insert* new sections, viz. :—

SECT. 7. There shall be furnished to him, out of the treasury of the Commonwealth, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, to be by him faithfully employed in the business of said office, and therefor he shall be accountable to the Commonwealth. He shall make all purchases for cash, and shall contract no debt or obligation, nor incur any liability on the faith or in behalf of the Commonwealth.

SECT. 7a. He shall be paid and allowed out of the commissions received by him the following sums:—

For his own salary, twenty-five hundred dollars.

For bookkeeper and clerk, fifteen hundred dollars.

For porter, watchman and other labor, one thousand dollars.

For rent of store and office, one thousand dollars.

The actual cost of insurance, fuel, lights, stationery and other incidental expenses of the office, to be approved by the auditor. The surplus commissions after payment of the above mentioned charges, he shall annually pay over to the treasurer of the Commonwealth, until said sum of twenty thousand dollars and interest thereon shall be fully reimbursed, and thereafter he shall annually distribute and pay such surplus to and among the several cities and towns who have made their purchases of him for the previous year, in proportion to the amounts, respectively, of their said purchases.

SECT. 7*b*. It shall be his duty, within and for the city of Boston, to provide and sell spirituous and intoxicating liquors to the persons, for the purposes, in the manner and under the restrictions prescribed in this chapter in relation to city and town agents. On all such sales he shall charge an additional commission of ten per cent., out of which he shall be allowed and paid all additional costs occasioned by said sales, to be approved by the auditor.

SECT. 7*c*. The commissioner first appointed under this chapter, shall purchase of his predecessor, on account of the Commonwealth, if his predecessor request it, his stock of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, which, being analyzed by a State assayer selected by the commissioner, is found and certified by such assayer to be pure and proper for sale by him, at the actual value thereof, to be determined by three persons, one to be chosen by each party, and a third by the two so chosen, whose decision shall be final; but he shall not be required to purchase such stock to an amount exceeding fifteen thousand dollars in the whole.

Sections 9, 10, 11. *Strike out the sections.*



