CHAPTER 39.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in Ireland on Saturdays and Sundays, and for other purposes connected therewith. A.D. 1906

[29th November 1906.]

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

Continuance and extension of 41 & 42 Vict. c. 72.

1. The Sale of Liquors on Sunday (Ireland) Act, 1878, as amended by this Act, shall continue in force until Parliament otherwise enacts, with the modification that, in section one thereof, the word "five" shall be substituted for "seven," notwithstanding anything in any public or local Act.

Closing hour on Saturday

2. It shall not be lawful for any person to sell or expose for sale intoxicating liquor, or to open or keep open any premises for the sale of the same, on Saturdays after ten o'clock at night in the case of cities or towns, the population of which, according to the last parliamentary census, exceeds five thousand, and after nine o'clock at night in all other towns and places in Ireland; and the provisions of every Act (in regard to penalties and otherwise) relating to selling or exposing for sale, or purchasing, intoxicating liquor, or opening or keeping open any premises for the sale of intoxicating liquor, or being present in or upon any such premises at any hour, shall be amended in this particular, and shall apply as if the said hours respectively were specified therein as the hours at which licensed premises are required to be closed on Saturdays. Where any business, other than the sale of intoxicating liquors, is carried on in the licensed premises the whole of such premises shall be closed at the hours aforesaid, unless the portion of the same in which such sale of intoxicating liquors is carried on is structurally separated from the remainder of the building :

Nothing in this Act shall in any way interfere with the rights of any licensed person who is the owner or lessee of a theatre, music hall, or other place of public amusement, but all

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such persons shall have the same rights and privileges as they have now under the existing licensing law as if this Act had not been passed.

Exemptions. Bonâ fide travellers.

3. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to apply to sales of intoxicating liquor to lodgers, or to sale of intoxicating liquor in packet boats, or in canteens in pursuance of the Acts regulating the same, or shall preclude the sale at a railway station refreshment room which is licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors on arrival or departure of trains, or to bonâ fide travellers.

For the purposes of this Act and the other Acts relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors, a person residing or lodging within the metropolitan police district of Dublin, or any of the cities of Waterford, Cork, Limerick, and Belfast, shall not be deemed to be a bonâ fide traveller unless the place where he lodged during the preceding night is at least five miles distant from the place where he demands to be supplied with liquor, such distance to be calculated by the nearest public thoroughfare.

Short title and commencement.

4. This Act may be cited as the Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Act, 1906. This Act shall commence and come into operation on the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and seven.

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