

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

ANNO OCTODECIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. XI.

An Ordinance for the better observance of the Lord's Day, and the more effectual prevention of Drunkenness.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the Lord's Day be kept with Preamble, decency and propriety, and that all temptations to drunkenness and disorderly conduct be, as far as practicable, removed;—Be it therefore enacted, by His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia and its Dependencies, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof:—

I. THAT from and after the 1st day of July next following, if any licensed person between midnight of any Saturday and the midnight of any Lord's Day, shall keep open the outer door of his or her licensed house, or of his or her separate tap or tap-room,

or sell or barter any spirirtuous or fermented liquors, whether for the purpose of being consumed on or off his or her licensed premises, (except for the accommodation of bonå fide Travellers or Lodgers,) every such licensed person, being convicted of such offence before any one or more Justice or Justices of the Peace, shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding £50.

II. THAT if any licensed person shall sell, give, or deliver to any Aboriginal native of this colony, any quantity whatever of spirituous or fermented liquor, whether for the use of such native, or that of any other person, he shall, upon conviction thereof before any one or more Justices of the Peace, forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding £5 sterling.

III. THAT every distinct act on the same day of any such selling, giving or delivering as aforesaid, shall be deemed a separate offence.

IV. THAT sections A, B, and F of the Shortening Ordinance, 1853, shall be, and the same are hereby incorporated with this Ordinance.

CHARLES FITZGERALD,
GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Passed the Legislative Council this 18th day of April, 1855.

A. O'GRADY LEFROY, Clerk of the Council.

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