Local Authorities Loan Rules.

9. After the expiry of one month from such publication, and after calling for any further information which it may require and considering any objections which may be preferred, the Local Government may either reject the application or sanction it:

Provided that where the Local Authority is any one of the Corporations mentioned or referred to in clause (a of the proviso to section 8 of the Act, the Local Government, if it approves the application, shall not itself proceed to sanction it unless it is authorised so to do by some special enactment for the time being applicable to the Corporation, but shall refer the application for the orders of the Governor-General in Council.

10. The Local Government shall make such provision as may seem to be necessary for the proper inspection of all works which are being carried out by means of a loan, and for ascertaining and securing that the loan is duly applied to the purposes for which it is raised. Every such work, and the accounts connected therewith, shall be open at all times to the inspection of the Superintending or Executive Engineer in whose division the work is situate, and of any person who may be authorised to inspect the accounts of the Local Authority, and of any other person specially authorised by the Local Government in this behalf.

11. The cost of any enquiry made under Rule 6, of advertisements published under Rule 8, of inspections made under Rule 10, and of any other proceedings by order of the Local Government or the Governor-General in Council under these Rules, shall be determined by the Local Government and shall be paid by the Local Authority.

12. The Local Authority shall give to the Accountant-General and the Local Government any information which they may require regarding the expenditure of the loan and regarding its funds.

13. An attachment of any funds under section six of the Act shall be made by a notice to the Local Authority prohibiting the collection or management of such funds by the Local Authority, and vesting the administration thereof in such officer as the Local Government may appoint. Such notice shall be published in the local official Gazette, and otherwise, as may be directed by the Local Government. within the local limits of the area subject to the control of the Local Authority. The moneys collected or received under such attachment shall be paid to the lender, and the accounts of moneys so collected, and of the cost of the collection, shall be prepared in such form as the Local Government may from time to time direct. A copy of the accounts shall be delivered to the Local Authority, and published in the local official Gazette.

MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

MUNICIPAL. Cir. No. 49M.

Calcutta, the 23rd December 1892.

FROM

H. J. McINTOSH, Esq.,

Under-Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

To

THE COMMISSIONER OF

SIR,—As applications for loans required by local bodies are not always submitted in proper form, and much time is lost and trouble caused in putting them right, I am directed to forward, for your information and for communication to Municipalities and District Boards in your Division, copies of a specimen form of application, together with an extract, Appendix F of the Civil Account Code, Vol. II., which furnishes a table for calculating repayments with interest thereon; and to request that in future all application for loans may be submitted in the form now prescribed, the instalments of repayments being calculated according to the table enclosed.

I have, &c., H. J. McINTOSH. Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

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APPENDIX F.

CIVIL ACCOUNT CODE. VOL, II.

Calculations of re-payments of Loans by equal instalments.

THE annexed table shows the instalments by which a loan of one lakh of rupees will be refunded by periodical instalments in a given number of years, interest being calculated at 4, $4\frac{1}{2}$, 5, $5\frac{1}{2}$, 6 and $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent.

In the left-hand column, under each term, interest is added, and recovery of the instalment due made at the end of each year; in the right-hand column interest and instalment are supposed to be due half-yearly :--- Local Authorities Loan Rules.

Per cent.	Five	years.	Ten	years.	Fifteen	ı years.	Twenty	y years.	Twenty-f	ive years.	Thirty	years.
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41	22,779.3	11,278.9	12,637.9	6,264.19	9,311.41	4,619.94	7,687.64	3,817.69	6,743.92	3,351-84	6,139.15	3,053:53
5	23,037.6	11,425.7	12,950.3	6,414.69	9,634-21	4,777.76	8,024.25	3,983.62	7,095.23	3,5280	6,505.15	3,235.33
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6	23,740.0	11,723.0	13,586.8	6,721.6	10,296.3	5,101.9	8,718.4	4,326.2	7,822.6	3,886.5	7,264.9	3,613.3
6‡	23,901.3	11,798.1	13,748.2	6,799.5	10,465.0	5,184.7	8,896-2	4,414.0	8,009.5	3,979.3	7,460 3	3,710.6

THE MUNICIPAL TAXATION ACT, 1881.

ACT No. XI OF 1881.

(Received the assent of the Governor-General on the 25th February 1881.)

An Act to give power to prohibit the levy of Municipal taxes in certain cases.

WHEREAS it is expedient to empower the Governor-Breamble. General in Council to prohibit, in certain

eases, the levy of Municipal taxes payable by persons in the military service or by the Secretary of State for India in Council; It is hereby enacted as follows :--

Short title.

1. This Act may be called "The Municipal Taxation Act, 1881."

Local extent.

It extends to the whole of British India :

and shall come into force at once.

Commencement.

2. In this Act "N

"Municipal Committee" defined.

Act "Municipal Committee" includes a Municipal Corporation or a body of Municipal Commissioners constituted by or under the provisions of any enactment

for the time being in force.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in any enact-Power to prohibit levy of tax. Bower to prohibit any order in writing, prohibit the levy by

a Municipal Committee of any specified tax-

(a) payable by any person subject to the Army Discipline and Regulation Act, 1879, or the Indian Articles of War, who is compelled by the exigencies of military duty to reside within the limits of a Municipality; or

(b) payable by the Secretary of State for India in Council.

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The Governor-General in Council may, by a like order, rescind any such prohibition.

No. 2-54, dated Simla, the 17th June 1885.

From-A. MACKENZIE, Esq., c.s., Secy. to the Govt. of India, Home Dept.,

To-The Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Municipal Dept.

I AM directed to invite attention to paragraph 2 of Home Department Circular Letter No. 5-165-173 of the 18th November

The Governor-General in Council does not propose to issue any General Order under clause (b) of section 3 of the Act regarding the exemption of Government property from Municipal taxation; but His Excellency in Council will be prepared to take action under that clause if any case of inordinate assessment of Government property is brought to notice for which redress cannot be obtained under the ordinary Municipal law.

Circular Letter No. 5—165–173 of the 18th November 1881 (quoted in the margin), regarding the exemption of Government property from Municipal taxation. As it appears possible that the wording of the paragraph in question may convey a misapprehension of the intentions of the government of India regarding the application of the provisions of clauce (b), section 3 of Act XI of 1881, the Governor-General in Council considers it desirable to explain that that clause was framed mainly with a view to enable the Government to dea? with cases of assessment of Government property when the property to be assessed is from its nature such as not to admit of the application of trainary principles in assessing the payment thereon of any particular tax; as, e.g., when the assessment is on the letting value, and the property is of such a nature that it is difficult to conceive its being let and impossible to form any

estimate of the rent that would be obtained for it if the Government offered to let it. It was the intention of the Act of 1881 to enable the Government to deal with such cases, failing an amicable (though possibly arbitrary) settlement with the local authority concerned, by at once issuing an order of prohibition under section 3, clouse (b), and appointing an officer under section 5, without entering upon any formal argument or attempting to contest the matter by way of appeal or otherwise. In cases, however, in which there are no such peculiar circumstances attaching to the Government property assessed, as, e.g., where it consists of ordinary dweling-houses, the assessment should either be accepted, or, if it appears unduly high, proceedings should be taken to obtain redress under the ordinary Munici al law, and recourse should not be had to the special provisions of the Act of 1881.

2. I am to request that, with the permission of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, the above principles may be carefully borne in mind if any question should arise in the Lower Provinces as to the application of the Act.

4. So long as any order made under section three, pro-

Secretary of State in Council to pay taxes referred to in section 3, clause (a). hibiting the levy of a tax on any person mentioned in clause (a) of that section, remains in force, the Secretary of State for India in Council shall be liable to pay

to the Municipal Committee mentioned in the order the amount which otherwise would have been payable to such Committee by such person :

Provided that the said Secretary of State in Council shall not be liable to pay any sum in respect of any horse which such person is bound, by the regulations of the service to which he belongs, to keep.

Payments to be made in lieu of taxes referred to in section 3, clause (b).

5. So long as any order made under section three prohibiting the levy of any tax payable by the Secretary of State for India in Council, remains in force, the said Secretary of State in Council shall be liable to pay to

the Municipal Committee, in lieu of such tax, such sums (if any) as an officer from time to time appointed in this behalf by the Local Government may, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, from time to time determine to be fair and reasonable.

6. If any question arises whether any duty is military Decision of questions . duty within the meaning of this Act, the arising under this Act. decision of the Governor-General in Council thereon shall be conclusive.

If any question arises whether any person is compelled as aforesaid to reside within the limits of a Municipality, or is bound as aforesaid to keep any horse, the decision thereon of such authority as the Governor-General in Council may, from time to time, appoint in this behalf, shall be conclusive.

THE CALCUTTA HACKNEY-CARRIAGE ACT, 1891.

ACT No. 11 of 1891.

PASSED BY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Lieutenant-Governor on the 9th August 1891, and of the Governor-General on the 11th September 1891.)

An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to Hackney-Carriages and Palanquins in Calcutta.

WHEREAS it is expedient to consolidate and amend the law relating to Hackney-carriages and Palanquins in Calcutta; It is hereby enacted as follows :-

CHAPTER I.

PRELIMINARY.

1. (1) This Act may be called "The Calcutta Hackney-Carriage Act, 1891."

Title.

(2) It shall come into force from the date on which it commencement. may be published in the *Calcutta Gazette* with the assent of the Governor-General.

(3) It shall apply to Calcutta as hereinafter defined, and Application and extension of Act. (3) It shall apply to Calcutta as hereinafter defined, and may be extended from time to time to any other town or place in Bengal by a notification published in the Calcutta Gazette.

Repeal.

2. (1) Acts V of 1863 and IV of 1878 are hereby repealed.

(2) This repeal shall not affect the validity of anything Savings. done or suffered, or of any right, title, obligation or liability which may have ac-

crued, and all appointments, extensions and registrations made, licenses issued, notifications published, penalties incurred, and other things duly done under any such enactments shall, so far as they are consistent with this Act, be deemed to have been respectively made, issued, published, incurred or done hereunder.

(2) All references made to any such enactment shall, as far as may be practicable, be deemed to be made to this Act.

(4) All proceedings now pending which may have been commenced under any such enactment shall be deemed to be commenced under this Act.

Definitions. 3. In this Act, unless there is something repugnant in the subject or context,—

(1) "Calcutta" (subject to the inclusion or exclusion of any local area by the Local Government under section four) means Calcutta as defined by the Calcutta Municipal Consolidation Act, 1888.

(2) "Hackney-carriage" means any wheeled vehicle drawn by horses and used for the conveyance of passengers which is kept or offered, or plies for hire by the hour or day or according to distance; but shall not include any carriage used wholly upon any railway or tramway.

(3) "Horse" includes mule and pony.

(4) "Stage-carriage" means any hackney-carriage, the passengers in which shall be charged or shall pay separate and distinct fares, or shall be charged or pay, at the rate of separate and distinct fares, for their respective places or seats therein or conveyance thereby.

(5) "The Commissioners" means the Corporation of Calcutta.

4. Alteration of limit of Calcutta.

The Local Government may, by notification published in the Calcutta Gazette, exclude from Calcutta any local area or include therein any local area in the vicinity of

the same, and define in the notification :

Provided that where the local area to be included is a Military Cantonment or part of a Mili-Proviso.

tary Cantonment, a notification shall not

be published under this section in respect of it without the previous sanction of the Governor-General in Council.

CHAPTER II.

REGISTRATION OF HACKNEY-CARRIAGES.

(1) Every hackney-carriage in Calcutta shall be an-5. nually registered by a Registering Officer Hackney - carriages who shall be appointed for the purpose to be registered annually. by the Commissioners, and who shall keep

a register in which he shall enter every hackney-carriage under either the first, the second or the third class.

(2) Every act, matter or thing done by the Registering Officer, under or by virtue of this **Registering Officer** Act, shall be subject to the control to be under control of Chairman of Commisof the Commisof the Chairman sioners.

(3) The appointment and removal of such Registering

Appointment and removal of Registering Officer.

sioners.

Officer shall be subject to the provisions of section forty-one of the Calcutta Municipal Consolidation Act, 1888.

6. The year of registration shall commence on the first day of October of each year and shall Time and duration of terminate on the thirtieth day of Septemregistry. ber following.

7. (1) The owner of any carriage, who is desirous of registering it has a hackney-carriage, Application for shall apply to the Registering Officer statregistry. ing the class in which he desires that the

carriage may be registered, and shall submit the carriage for the inspection of the Registering Officer.

Application may be granted or refused.

(2) The Registering Officer shall decide whether the carriage is fit to be registered in the class applied for and shall register it in that class or refuse to grant the application.

(3) The person in whose name any carriage is registered shall be deemed the owner of such car-"Owner" of carriage. riage for the purposes of this Act.

8. (1) The Registering Officer shall, at the time of registration, deliver a license duly signed License to be delivered by him to the owner of every hackneyto owner. carriage.

> (2) Such license shall be in force for the year of registration.

Particulars of register and license.

Duration of license.

9. The following particulars shall be entered in the register and shall be specified in the license to be given to the owner :--

- (a) the class and the number assigned to the carriage in the register ;
- (b) the name and residence of the owner, the description of the carriage, and the place where such carriage is intended to be kept;
- (c) the number and description of horses to be employed in drawing such carriage, and the place where such horses are intended to be kept ;
- (d) the number of persons the carriage is licensed to carry.

A fee of four rupees shall be paid for each registra-10. tion of a carriage of the first class, a fee Fee of registration.

of three rupees for each registration of a carriage of the second class, and a fee of two rupees for each registration of a carriage of the third class.

11. The Registering Officer may suspend for such period as he thinks fit or cancel the registration Registration of carof any carriage and the license granted riage and driver's license may be suspendto the driver under this Act, whenever ed or cancelled. it shall appear to him that such carriage

or any horse or harness used with such carriage is unfit for public use ; due regard being had to the class in which such carriage is registered.

12. (1) Whenever any change shall take place in the Notice to be given of change of ownership. ownership of a hackney-carriage, if the person to whom such carriage shall have been transferred shall desire to use it as a hackney-carriage, he shall before so using it give to the Registering Officer notice in writing of such transfer, and shall include in such notice the particulars specified in clauses (b) and (c) of section nine.

(2) If any such person shall, before giving such notice Penalty for using carriage before giving notice. (2) If any such person shall, before giving such notice as a foresaid, use such carriage as a hackney-carriage, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five rupees for every day

during which he shall so use the same.

13. (1) Whenever the owner or driver of a registered Notice to be given of change of residence or place. week from the date of such change, give to the Registering Officer a notice in writing which shall include the particulars specified in clauses (b) and (c) of section nine.

(2) Every such owner or driver who shall neglect to give Penalty for neglect to give notice. such notice shall be liable for every such offence to a fine not exceeding ten rupees.

14. The Registering Officer, on receiving the notices

Change of ownership or residence to be entered in register. specified in either of the two last preceding sections, shall make the necessary alteration in the register and in the license :

and a fee of eight annas shall be chargeable in respect thereof.

15. (1) Whoever keeps or is the proprietor of any Penalty for keeping hackney-carriage which has not been duly unregistered carriage. registered under this Act shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred rupees.

(2) Any Police Officer or any person duly authorised Seizure of such car- by the Commissioners in that behalf and

Seizure of such carriage and horse. by the Commissioners in that behalf and wearing a distinctive badge to indicate his official capacity may seize and remove to a police-station such carriage, together with the horse drawing the same.

(3) If the hackney-carriage or horse so seized be not When such carriage claimed, and if any fine imposed be not or horse may be sold. paid, together with any costs or charges incurred, within ten days of such seizure or imposition of such fine respectively, such carriage and the horse seized therewith may be sold by auction, and the proceeds applied to the payment of the fine and all costs and charges incurred on account of the detention and sale.

(4) The surplus, if any, if not claimed by the owner

When surplus to be credited to Hackneycarriage Fund. within a further period of twenty days, shall be credited to the Hackney-carriage Fund.

CHAPTER III.

PLATE ON HACKNEY-CARRIAGE.

16. Upon the registration of any hackney-carriage, the Plate to be affixed outside carriage. Registering Officer shall provide a plate bearing the class and the number of such carriage in the register and the number of persons it is licensed to carry, and shall cause such plate to be affixed on some conspicuous part of the outside of the carriage.

17. If any hackney-carriage shall be let, used, or ply Penalty for using for hire without having a proper plate carriage without plate. duly affixed as required by the last preceding section, the owner thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees.

18. Whenever the words or figures on any plate shall, during the term of the license, become indistinct or obliterated, and also whenever any plate shall have been lost or

stolen, the owner of the hackney-carriage on which such plate was affixed shall deliver such plate (if he shall have the same in his possession)_to the Registering Officer, and shall be entitled to have a new plate affixed upon payment of one rupee :

Provided that if any plate which shall have been proved

Penalty for using obliterated plate or for failing to deliver lost plate when recovered. to have been lost or stolen shall afterwards be recovered, the same shall forthwith be delivered to the Registering Officer; and every person in or into whose possession

any such plate as last aforesaid shall be or come and who shall refuse or neglect for three days to deliver the same to the said Registering Officer, and also every registered owner who shall use or permit to be used any plate after the writing thereon shall have become indistinct or obliterated shall, for every such offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding ten rupees.

19. (1) On the expiration or other determination of the registration, the owner of every Plate to be deliverel on expiry of regishackney-carriage shall cause the plate of tration. such hackney-carriage to be delivered to

the Registering Officer.

(2) Any person who, after the expiration of the period aforesaid, shall wilfully neglect for three Penalty for neglecting to deliver such days to deliver the plate to the said plate.

Officer, and every person who shall retain any plate affixed in respect of a registration which is no longer in force shall, for every such offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees.

20. Penalty for fraudulently using counterfeit plate.

(1) Every person who shall, for the purpose of deception, use or have any plate resembling or intended to resemble any plate affixed under this Act shall, for every such

offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred rupees. (2) It shall be lawful for any Police Officer or any per-

Police may seize 'counterfeit plate.

son employed for the purposes of this Act by the Registering Officer, to seize and take away any plate used or had as afore-

said wheresoever the same may be found, and to deliver the same to the Registering Officer.

CHAPTER IV.

DRIVER'S LICENSE.

(1) It shall be lawful for the Registering Officer 21. to grant a license to act as driver of any Driver of hackneyhackney-carriage to any person who shall carriages to have liapply for the same, and to whom it may cense.

seem proper to the said Officer to grant it :

Provided that no person shall be so licensed who is under sixteen years of age. Proviso.

Particulars of license. (2) Every such license shall contain-

(a) the number of the license :

(b) the name, father's name, place of abode, and age of the person to whom such license is granted ;

(c) the description of carriage and horses such person is licensed to drive ;

(d) the date on which the license was granted ;

and shall bear the signature of the Registering Officer.

(3) The license shall continue in force for one year from the date thereof unless the same shall Duration of license.

be sooner revoked or suspended.

Fee for license.

(4) For every such license there shall be paid a fee of two rupees.

22. If any person shall act as the driver of a hackney-

Penalty for not having license or lending it out.

carriage without having a license in force for the time being, or having a license shall transfer or lend the same or allow the

same to be used by any other person, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding fourteen days.

23. Any owner of a hackney-carriage who shall suffer

Penalty for suffering unlicensed person to act as driver.

any person not duly licensed under this Act to act as driver of any hackneycarriage of which he shall be the owner,

shall be liable for every such offence to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees :

Proviso.

Provided that such owner and such unlicensed driver shall be subject to all the provisions of this Act, for any act done or omitted

to be done by such driver during such employment in like manner as if such driver had been duly licensed.

24. The particulars of every license which shall be granted

Particulars of license to be registered and copy given on payment of fee.

under the provisions of this Act shall be entered in books to be kept for that purpose at the office of the Registering Officer; and every person applying shall, at all

reasonable times, be furnished with a certified copy of such particulars on payment of a fee of eight annas.

CHAPTER V.

DRIVER'S TICKET.

25.

(1) The Registering Officer shall, at the time of granting a license to any driver of a

Driver to wear metal ticket.

hackney-carriage, deliver a metal ticket marked or engraved with a number cor-

responding with the number of his license. (2) Every driver to whom such ticket is delivered shall

Driver to wear ticket exposed to view.

at all times while acting as driver or while attending before any Magistrate, carry such ticket exposed to view.

(3) In case any such driver shall omit to wear such Penalty for omitting

to wear ticket.

ticket exposed to view while acting as driver or attending before a Magistrate, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding

ten rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one nonth.

Whenever the number on any ticket shall, during 26.

Driver entitled to new ticket on loss or obiiteration of former one

the term of the license, become indistinct or obliterated, and also whenever any ticket shall have been lost or stolen, the person to whom the license relating to

any such ticket shall have been granted shall deliver such ticket (if he shall have the same in his possession), and shall produce such license to the Registering Officer, and such person shall then be entitled to have a new ticket delivered to him upon payment of eight annas :

Provided that if any ticket which shall have been proved

Penalty for using obliterated ticket or for failing to deliver lost ticket when recovered.

to have been lost or stolen shall afterwards be recovered, the same shall forthwith be delivered to the Registering Officer : and every person in or into whose possession any such ticket as last aforesaid shall

be or come who shall refuse or neglect for three days to deliver the same to the said Registering Officer, and also every person licensed under the authority of this Act who shall use or wear the ticket granted to him after the writing thereon shall have become indistinct or obliterated shall, for every such offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding ten rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding seven days.

• 27. (1) Upon the expiration or other determination of any license granted to a driver under License and ticket this Act, such driver shall deliver such to be delivered on expiry. license and the ticket relating thereto to the Registering Officer.

(2) Every driver who shall neglect for three days to deliver such expired license and ticket to Penalty for neglectthe said officer, and also every person ing to deliver such license and ticket. who shall use, wear or detain any such expired license or ticket or other than such as shall have been delivered to him under the provisions of this Act, and every person to whom any ticket shall have been delivered as aforesaid who shall lend such ticket to any other person, and every person who shall wear or use the ticket of any other person shall, for every such offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month.

28. (1) Every person who shall for the purpose of deception, use or wear any ticket re-Penalty for using sembling or intended to resemble any or wearing counterfeit ticket. ticket granted under the authority of this Act, shall, for every such offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month. (2) It shall be lawful for any Police-officer or any per-

Police may seize counterfeit ticket. son employed for the purposes of this Act by the Registering Officer to seize and take away any such expired or

counterfeit ticket wheresoever the same may be found, and to deliver the same to the Registering Officer.

29. (1) Whenever any driver shall be summoned to appear before any Magistrate to answer Penalty for failing any charge preferred against him under to produce license before Magistrate. this Act, he shall carry with him his license and produce the same if required so to do; and any driver who shall on such requisition fail to produce such license shall, for every such offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding five rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding seven days. (2) It shall be lawful for any Magistrate, on conviction

Conviction of any charge to be endorsed on driver's license.

of any driver of any offence under this Act, to endorse on such license the nature of the offence, the date of the conviction and the amount of the penalty inflicted.

30. (1) It shall be lawful for any Magistrate before

Revocation or suspension of driver's license on conviction.

whom any driver shall be convicted of any offence, whether under this Act or

under any other Act, to revoke the license of such driver or to suspend the same for such time as the Magistrate shall think proper, and for that purpose to require the driver or any other person in whose possession such license and the ticket thereto belonging shall then be, to deliver up the same.

(2) Every driver or other person who being so required shall refuse or neglect to deliver up such Penalty for refusal license and such ticket, shall be liable for or neglect to deliver up license. every such offence to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding fourteen days.

(3) The Magistrate shall forward every license and

Magistrate to send surrendered license to Registering Officer.

every ticket so delivered up to him to the Registering Officer, together with a memorandum of his sentence in the case.

(4) The Registering Officer shall enter the fact of such sentence in the register referred to in

Cancellation or redelivery.

• section nine, and shall either suspend or cancel such license according to the

sentence of the Magistrate; and if it has been suspended. the Registering Officer shall, on application at the end of the time of suspension, re-deliver such license or ticket to the person to whom it was granted.

CHAPTER VI.

FARES, HIRING AND PLYING FOR HIRE.

(1) The owner or driver of every hackney-carriage 31. shall be entitled to demand and take Fares to be paid for for the hire of such carriage the fares hackney-carriages. specified in the first schedule to this Act :

Provided that when the owner or driver of any hackneycarriage, to be paid a fare calculated Proviso. according to the distance, shall be required by the hirer thereof to stop such carriage for any time or times amounting altogether to not less than fifteen minutes, it shall be lawful for the owner or driver to demand and receive from the hirer so requiring him to stop a further sum of one-fourth of the rate for the first hour, for every

fifteen minutes that he shall have been so stopped.

(2) No owner or driver shall demand or receive over

Back fare not to be demanded.

Contract for lower fares to be binding. .

and above the said fare any sum for back fare for the return of the carriage from the place at which it was discharged :

Provided that any contract entered into to accept a fare lower, than the fare so fixed shall be binding.

32. (1) The owner of every registered hackney-carriage shall put up, and at all times keep

Owner to keep list of fares inside carriage. distinctly printed, painted or marked in the English, Urdu and Bengalee languages,

in such manner and in such position as shall be directed by the Registering Officer, on the inside of such carriage. the amount of fare according to distance and time which may legally be demanded and taken from the hirer of such carriage as a hackney-carriage.

(2) Every such owner who shall fail to comply with the Penalty for breach. provision of this section shall, for each offence, be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ten rupees.

33. (1) The driver of every registered hackney-carriage shall (unless he has a reasonable excuse to be allowed by the Magistrate before whom the matter shall be brought

in question) drive such carriage to any place to which he shall be required by the hirer thereof to drive the same, not exceeding six miles from the place where the same shall have been hired.

(2) When any such carriage shall have been hired by time, the driver thereof shall drive the same at a rate not less than four miles within one hour; and if the driver of

such carriage shall be required to drive more than four miles within one hour, then in every such case the driver thereof shall be entitled to demand, in addition to the fare regulated by time in the first schedule to this Act for every mile or any part thereof exceeding four miles, the fare regulated by distance as set forth in that schedule.

(3) Any such driver failing without reasonable excuse to comply with the provisions of this sec-

ceeding ten rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding seven days.

34. The driver of every registered hackney-carriage Quantity of luggage shall carry in or upon such carriage a quantity of luggage not exceeding two charge. maunds, together with one additional maund for every person below four carried in the carriage without any additional charge.

35. Any owner, person in charge of any registered Penalty for refusing to let a carriage for hire. Any owner, person in charge of any registered hackney-carriage or driver who shall without sufficient reason refuse to let such carriage for hire, shall be liable for every

such offence to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees, and to pay such further sum by way of compensation to the party complaining as to the Magistrate who shall hear the case may seem just; and such further sum shall, in default of immediate payment, be levied in the mode provided for the levying of fines under this Act.

Penalty on driver for certain offences. 36. Every driver of a hackney-carriage who shall—

- (a) be drunk during his employment;
- (b) make use of insulting or abusive language, or gesture ;
- (c) stand (elsewhere than at some stand or other place appointed for the purpose) or loiter for the purpose of being hired in or upon any public street, road or place :
- (d) suffer his carriage to stand for hire across any street or alongside of any other carriage ;
- (e) refuse to give way (when he reasonably and conveniently may do so) to any other carriage ;
- (f) wilfully obstruct or hinder the driver of any other carriage in taking up or setting down any person into or from such other carriage :
- (g) wrongfully prevent or endeavour to prevent the driver of any other carriage from being hired;
- (h) demand or take more than the proper fare to which he is legally entitled ;
- (i) refuse to admit and carry in his carriage the number
 - of persons painted or marked on the registered plate affixed to such carriage or specified in the register;
- (j) carry more than such number of passengers;
- (k) refuse to carry by his carriage a reasonable quantity of luggage;
- (l) before he has been discharged by the hirer (being hired by time) desert from the hiring ;

(m) ply for hire with any carriage or horse which shall be at the time unfit for public use,

shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding seven days.

37. Any driver employed as such by the owner of any registered hackney-carriage who shall, Penalty on driver without sufficient excuse, refuse or neglect for refusing to attend at premises of owner. to attend at the premises of such owner for the purposes of driving any such carriage, whereby such owner is prevented from letting out the same, shall, on complaint by such owner, be liable for each offence to a fine not exceeding ten rupees (which or any part of which may, by order of the Magistrate, be paid to the owner as compensation), and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding seven days.

38. (1) When a complaint is made before a Magistrate

Owner may be summoned to appear be-fore Magistrate and to produce driver.

against the driver of a registered hackney-carriage for any offence committed by him against the provisions of this Act. such Magistrate may forthwith summon the owner of the carriage personally to appear and to pro-

duce the driver of such carriage to answer the complaint.

(2) If such owner, being duly summoned, shall, without a reasonable excuse, neglect or re-Penalty for neglectfuse personally to appear or to produce ing so to appear or to produce driver, the driver according to such summons, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees, and so

from time to time as often as he shall be so summoned, until such driver shall be produced by him :

Provided that if such owner shall, without a reasonable excuse, neglect or refuse to appear and Magistrate to hear produce such driver on the second or any and determine complaint on failure to subsequent summon's requiring him so to appear. do, it shall be lawful for the May istrate

to proceed to hear and determine the complaint in the absence of the owner and driver, or either of them.

39. (1) If any person, who shall have hired a registered hackney-carriage, shall refuse to Procedure on refusal pay to the owner or driver thereof on to pay fares. demand the fare payable under this Act,

it shall be lawful for the Magistrate to order payment of such fare and also of such compensation for loss of time as shall seem reasonable, and in default of payment such fare and compensation may be recovered in the same way as a fine.

(2) If any person who shall have used any such carriage shall attempt to evade payment of the fare or any portion of the same which

he may be deemed liable to pay, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees, or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month, in addition to the payment of such fare and compensation as hereinbefore mentioned.

40. (1) Any person who shall maliciously or knowing carriage-plate, &c. granted under the provisions of this Act, shall be liable for every such offence to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees,

and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding fourteen days.

(2) Any portion of the fine may be awarded to the Award of fine to owner of carriageplate, &c. belong.

41. Any person using a registered hackney-carriage who shall wilfully injure the same shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding fourteen days; and shall also pay to the owner of the carriage such compensation for the injury as the Magistrate may direct.

42. In case of any dispute between the hirer and driver of any registered hackney-carriage, the hirer may, if any Magistrate be then sitting, require the driver to drive to the

Court of such Magistrate, or, if no Magistrate be then sitting, to the Registering Officer; and if any driver shall refuse to obey such requisition, it shall be lawful for the hirer to give such driver into the custody of the nearest Police Officer; such Police Officer shall thereupon take the driver and the hirer together with the carriage and horse to such Court or Registering Officer, and the then sitting Magistrate or Registering Officer shall in either of the cases aforesaid hear and determine the dispute in a summary way.

Table of distances signed by Registering Officer conclusive.

In the case of disputes as to the fare to be calculated according to the distance, any table or book signed by the Registering Officer shall, on proof of such signature, be taken

to be conclusive evidence of the distances therein stated.

Hackney-carriage may ply for hire as stage-carriage.

44. (1) It shall be lawful for any registered hackney-carriage to ply for hire as a stage-carriage.

(2) The owner or driver of a carriage so plying for hire

Faresforstage-carriages how to be determined.

or hired as a stage-carriage, shall not be subject to the provisions of section thirty-one of this Act, but shall be entitled

to demand and take for the hire of such carriage such fares as shall be agreed upon between him and the several hirers respectively.

(3) All the other provisions of this Act shall be appli-

Hackney-carriages plying as stage-arriages subject to provisions of Act.

cable to the case of a hackney-carriage plying as a stage-carriage, so far as the same shall be applicable in each particular instance.

(1) The Registering Officer shall from time to time 45.

Stands to be appointed.

appoint one or more stands in Calcutta for hackney-carriages registered under this Act, and may also assign for the use of

such carriages, as public stands, any coach-houses, stables or sheds, or other suitable places.

(2) Every public stand so appointed or assigned shall

Stands to have boards affixed in front of them.

have a board affixed in a conspicuous place in front thereof, containing a notice in the English, Urdu and Bengalee

languages that the stand is a public stand under this Act.

CHAPTER VII.

PALANQUINS.

46. (1) Every palanquin plying for hire in Calcutta shall be annually registered by the Officer-Palanquins to be appointed for registering hackneyregistered annually. carriages at the time and in the manner

hereinbefore provided with respect to the registration of hackney-carriages.

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eight annas shall be paid :

Fee for registration.

Provided that

Refusal to register palanquins.

the Registering Officer may refuse to register any palanquin or may cancel the registration thereof whenever it may appear to him to be unserviceable or

(2) Upon each registration a fee of

unfit for public use.

Particularsof register.

47. (1) The following particulars shall be entered in the register, namely-

(a) the number of the palanquin;

(b) the name and residence of the owner.

(2) Every change of ownership or residence shall be

Change of ownership or residence to be notified.

notified to the Registering Officer, subject to the same provisions and penalties in default as are provided in the case of the owners of hackney-carriages.

48. (1) The owner of every registered palanquin shall

Registered number to be painted on palanquin.

cause the registered number thereof to be painted in the English and Bengalee figures on a conspicuous part thereof.

(2) The owner of any palanguin plying for hire without being registered or having the number Penalty for neglecting affixed thereto as aforesaid, shall be liable to register palanquin. to a fine not exceeding ten rupees.

(3) The person in whose name a palanquin is for the time being registered shall be deemed "Owner" of palanquin. the owner thereof for the purposes of this Act.

Owner to keep list of fares inside palanquin.

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The owner of every palanquin shall put up and at all times keep distinctly printed, painted or marked in the English, Urdu and Bengalee languages, in such manner and in

such position as shall be directed by the Registering Officer, on the inside of such palanquin the amount of fare according to distance and time which may be legally demanded and taken from the hirer of such palanguin.

50. (1) The owner or person in charge of every palanquin shall be entitled to demand and take Fares to be paid for for the hire of such palanquin the fares palanquins. specified in the second schedule to this

Act :

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Provided that when the owner or person in charge of any palanquin to be paid a fare calculated Proviso. according to the distance shall be required

by the hirer thereof to stop such palanquin for fifteen minutes, or for any longer time, it shall be lawful for the owner or person in charge to demand and receive from the birer, so requiring him to stop, a further sum of one-fourth of the rate for the first hour, for every fifteen minutes that he shall have been so stopped.

(2) No owner or person in charge of a palanquin shall

Back fare not to be demanded.

demand or receive over and above the said fare any sum for back hire for the return of the palanguin from the place

at which it was discharged :

Contract for lower fares to be binding.

Provided that any contract entered into to accept a fare lower than the fare so fixed shall be binding.

(1) It shall not be lawful for any person to act as 51.

Bearers of palanquins to have licenses.

the bearer of a registered palanquin, unless such person shall have obtained a license from the Registering Officer in

the manner hereinbefore prescribed for drivers of hackneycarriages.

(2) All the provision of this Act in any way relating

Provisions relating to hackney-carriages applicable to palanquins.

to the taking out, granting, renewing, producing or using the licenses, or to the issuing, granting, wearing or using tickets granted to drivers of hackney-carriages,

shall be applicable in like manner to the bearers of palanquins.

Fee for license.

(3) For every license to act as a palanquin bearer granted under this Act there shall be paid a fee of eight annas.

(1) The bearers of every palanquin registered under 52. this Act, shall (unless they have a reason-Distance bearers able excuse to be allowed by the Magisbound to carry palanquins. trate before whom the matter shall be

brought in question) carry such palanquin to any place which they shall be required by the hirer thereof to carry the same, not exceeding five miles from the place where the same shall have been hired.

(2) If such palanquin shall have been hired by time,

Speed when hired by time.

(3) Whenever

Fare by distance may be demanded in addition to fare by time.

the bearers thereof may be required to carry it at any rate not exceeding two and a half miles within one hour.

the bearers of such palanquin shall be required to carry it more than two and a half miles within one hour, they shall be entitled to demand, in addition to the fare regulated by time in the second

schedule to this Act for every mile or any part thereof exceeding two and a half miles, the fare regulated by distance as set forth in the said schedule.

(4) All and every of the provisions of this Act as to Provisions regarding owners and drivers of hackney-carriages applicable to owners and hearers of palanquins.

offences committed by or against the owners and drivers of hackney-carriages and the penalties in respect of the same and recovery thereof, and all the remedies by or against hirers, owners or drivers of

hackney-carriages, and all and several of the remedies given to hirers, owners and drivers of hackney carriages, except the provisions contained in section thirty-eight, shall be applicable, so far as the same may reasonably be applied, to the owners and bearers of palanquins.

CHAPTER VIII.

BYE-LAWS

(1) The Commissioners in meeting may from time to 53. time make bye-laws not inconsistent with in Commissioners the provisions of this Act with regard meeting may, make bye-laws. to-

- (a) the examination and qualification of drivers, and the conditions under which they may be employed ;
- (b) the description of horses, harness, and other things to be used in hackney-carriages, the dimensions of such carriages, and the condition in which such carriages and the horses, harness and other things used therewith shall be kept ;

(c) the inspection of the premises on which any such carriages, horses, harness and other things are kept;

(d) the protection of weak, lame and sickly horses ; (e) the publication of a table of distances, and generally for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

Bye-laws may be repealed or altered.

any bye-law made under this section.

Bye-laws when to take effect.

(3) No bye-law, and no repeal or alteration of, or addition to, any bye-law, shall have effect until the same has been

from time to time repeal, alter or add to

(2) The Commissioners in meeting may

confirmed by the Local Government.

(4) Every bye-law, and every repeal or alteration of, or

Bye-laws to be published in Gazette.

Penalty for infringement of bye-laws.

addition to, any bye-law when confirmed, shall be published in the Calcutta Gazette.

54. Whoever infringes any bye-law made and confirmed shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees.

CHAPTER IX.

PROSECUTIONS.

Prosecutions to be instituted before Magistrate.

55. (1) Every prosecution under this Act may be instituted before any Magistrate baving jurisdiction who may summon the persons charged to appear at a time and place to

be mentioned in the summons; and if such person do not appear, the Magistrate may, upon proof of service of the summons, if no sufficient cause shall be shown for the nonappearance of the person charged, proceed to hear and determine the case in his absence.

(2) If such person do appear, then the procedure laid down in the Code of Criminal Procedure Procedure in case of of 1882, from section two hundred and prosecutions. forty-two to section two hundred and forty-

eight, shall be followed.

(3) All fines imposed by a Magistrate under this Act shall be levied under the provisions of sections . Fines how to be levied. three hundred and eighty-six, three hundred and eighty-seven, three hundred and eighty-eight and three hundred and eighty-nine of the said Code.

56. (1) No person shall be liable to any fine under this Act for any offence cognizable by a Liability to fine when Magistrate anless the complaint respecting incurred. such offence shall have been made within

three months next after the commission of such offence.

(2) The omission to register any hackney-carriage or palanquin or to take out a license shall be deemed to be a continuing offence.

57. (1) If through any act, neglect or default on account whereof any persons shall have been Damage to property of Commissioners to be fined under this Act, any damage to the paid for. · property of the Commissioners shall have

been committed by such person, he shall be liable to make good such damage as well as to pay such fine.

(2) The amount of such damage shall be determined by the Magistrate by whom such person has been fined, and in default of payment Amount of damage to be determined by Magistrate. manner as a fine.

In any case in which a Magistrate is satisfied that 58. a complainant had no reasonable ground Compensation for for instituting a prosecution, it shall be groundless prosecution. lawful for such Magistrate to direct the

complainant to pay to the accused such compensation not exceeding fifty rupees as he thinks fit ; and the sum so awarded shall be recoverable as if it were a fine.

CHAPTER X.

MISCELLANEOUS.

(1) The driver of every hackney-carriage and the 59.

Property left in carriage or palanquin to be deposited in policestation.

bearers of every palanguin within the limits of this Act, wherein any property shall be left by any person shall, within twenty-four hours, carry such property,

if not sooner claimed by the owner thereof, to the nearest police-station, and shall there deposit it with the Inspector or other officer on duty, and demand a receipt for it duly signed by the officer taking charge of the same.

of the amount of such damage on demand, the same may be levied in the same (2) Any such driver or bearer making default herein shall be liable to a fine not exceeding

Penalty for neglecting to do so. shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees, and in default of payment of fine to imprisonment for a period not

exceeding one month.

Police-officer to enter particulars in book

(3) The said officer shall forthwith enter in a book to be kept for that purpose—

(a) the description of such property;

(b) the name and address of the driver or bearer who shall bring such property;

(c) the day and hour on which it shall be brought ;

(d) the name and address of the owner of the hackneycarriage or palanquin in which the property shall have been left and the registered number of such carriage or palanquin

and grant receipt. and shall give the person a receipt for the same.

(4) The property so entered shall be returned to the

Property to be returned to owner. person who shall prove to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Police that the same belonged to him; such

person previously paying all expenses incurred, together with such reasonable sum to the driver or bearers who brought the same as the said Commissioner shall award :

Provided always that if such property shall not be claim-

When such property may be sold and how proceeds may be applied. ed by, and proved to belong to, some one within one year after the same shall have been deposited, the said Commissioners shall cause such property to be sold, or

otherwise disposed of ; and the proceeds, after deducting the expenses, together with a reasonable sum to the driver or bearers, shall be applied in the same manner as fees and penalties received under this Act.

60. All fees and fines levied under this Act shall be credited in the first instance to a fund to .be called the "Hackney-Carriage Fund," which shall be employed in carry-

ing out the purposes of this Act, and in the event of one or more Municipalities being included in Calcutta by virtue of a notification published under section four, then such fund shall yearly be divided between the Calcutta Municipality and such other Municipality or Municipalities in such

proportion as the Local Government may determine, each Municipality employing the sum so appropriated to it to carrying out the purposes of this Act.

61. (1) Whenever this Act shall be extended to any other town or place under section one, the Local Government may appoint persons, either by name or by official designation, to perform the duties imposed,

and exercise the powers conferred, by this Act on the Commissioners and the Chairman of the Commissioners.

(2) And in each town or place to which this Act may be extended, for the word "Calcutta" Modifications in Act • in sections five, forty-five and forty-six when extended bevond Calcutta.

place, and after the word "languages" in sections thirty-two, sub-section (1), forty-five, sub-section (2), and forty-nine shall be read "or such other languages as the Local Government may by notification in the *Calcutta Gazette* prescribe," and for the words "forty-one of the Calcutta Municipal Consolidation Act, 1888," in section 5, sub-section (3), shall be read the words "forty-six of the Bengal Municipal Act, 1884."

(FIRST SCHEDULE, see next page.)

SECOND SCHEDULE.

(Referred to in section 50.)

RATES AND FARES TO BE PAID FOR PALANQUINS.

FAI	RE BY DISTANCE.	FARE BY TIME.				
For any dis- tance within and not ex- ceeding one mile.	For any distance exceed- ing one mile.	For any time within and not exceeding one hour.	For every hour or part of an hour beyond one hour.	For half a day of five hours.	For a whole day consisting of nine hours.	
3 annas	At the rate of 3 annas for every mile and for any part of a mile over and above any number of miles completed.	6 annas	3 annas	1 rupee	1 rupee and 8 annas.	

The above fares to be paid according to distance or time, at the option of the hirer to be expressed at the commencement of the hiring ; if not otherwise expressed, the fare to be paid according to time.

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		(Referred	to in se	ction 31	.)				
RATE	s AND	FARES TO BE	PAID F	OR HACE	NEY-C	ARRIA	GES.		
	FARE	BY DISTANCE.	FARE BY TIME.						
Descrip- tion of carriage.	For any dist noe within and not exceeding one mile.	For any distance exceeding one mile.	For any time within and not exceeding one hour.	For every hour or part of an hour beyond one hour.	For half a day of five hours,	For a whole day consisting of uine hours.	For every hour or part of an hour after the ninth hour		
FirstClass	econd ,, 6 ,, 4 the rate of 6 annas for every mile and a b o v e any number of miles completed. At the rate of a mile over and a b o v e any number of miles completed. At the rate of 4 annas f or every mile and for any part of a mile over and above any number of miles completed.	One rupee	8 annas .	• • •	5 rupees	8 annas			
Second ",		At the rate of 4 annas for every mile and for any part of a mile over and above any num- ber of miles	12 annas	For the second hour and for the third hour or for any part of either. For every hour or part of an hour beyond the third	2 rupces	3 rupees and 8 annas,	đannas.		
Third "	3 "	At the rate of 2 annas for every mile and for any part of a mile over and above any num- ber of miles completed.	б , ,	4 ans. 3 ans.		2 rupees	3 anuas.		

The above fares to be paid according to time, unless at the commencement of the hiring the hirer expresses his intention of paying according to distance. In the case of a second class carriage, the hirer cannot avail hinself of the half day or whole day rate unless at the time of hiring he engages the carriage for the half day or whole day, as the case may be.

Wild Birds Protection Act.

ACT No. XX of 1887.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Governor-General on the 21st October 1887.)

An Act for the Protection of Wild Birds and Game.

WHEREAS municipal authorities in different parts of British India have from time to time made rules for the protection of birds and other game ;

And whereas it is expedient that Local Governments and cantonment-authorities as well as municipal authorities should be empowered to make such rules;

It is hereby enacted as follows :---

Title, extent, and 1. (1) This Act may be called "The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1887."

(2) It extends to the whole of British India ; and

2. In this Act-

Definitions. (3) It shall come into force at once.

(1) "municipal authority" means the corporation, commissioner, committee, board, council or person having authority over a municipality under any enactment for the time being in force :

(2) "cantonment-authority" means a cantonment-committee or, in the case of a cantonment for which such a committee has not been constituted, the commanding officer of the cantonment : and

(3) "wild bird" includes a peacock and every bird of game.

3. (1) The Local Government with respect to any municipality or cantonment within the territories under its administration, or the municipal authority or cantonment-authority of any municipality or cantonment, may from time to time make rules-

 (a) defining the expression "wild bird" for the purposes of this Act in its application to the municipality or cantonment;

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- (b) defining for those purposes the breeding season of any kind of wild bird ; and
- (c) prohibiting, subject to such exceptions and conditions as may be prescribed by the rules, the possession or sale during its breeding season within the municipality or cantonment of any kind of wild bird recently killed or taken, or the importation into the municipality or cantonment of the plumage of any kind of wild bird during such season.

(2) The authority making a rule under clause (c) of sub-section (1) may direct that a breach of it shall be punishable with fine which may extend, in the case of a first offence, to five rupees for every wild bird in respect of which or of the plumage whereof the breach of the rule has been committed, and, in the case of a subsequent offence, to ten rupees in respect of every such bird or plumage.

(3) A Court convicting any person of a breach of any such rule may order the confiscation of any wild bird or plumage in respect of which the breach was committed.

(4) The power to make rules under this section is subject to the condition of the rules being made after previous publication and, in the case of rules made by a municipal authority or cantonment-authority, to the further condition of the rules being confirmed by the Local Government before they

I of 1887. are published in the official Gazette under clause (5) of section 6 of the General Clauses Act, 1887.

4. The Local Government, of its own motion or on the application of any municipal authority or cantonment-authority, may, by notification in the official Gazette, declare the provisions of the last foregoing section with respect to wild birds to apply to any animals of game other than birds, and thereupon those provisions shall apply to such animals and their furs in like manner as they apply to wild birds and their plumage.

ACT No. IV of 1871.

Passed by the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal in Council.

(Received the assent of His Honor on the 20th March 1871 and of the Governor-General on the 28th idem.)

An Act for the better sanitation of Pooree and other towns in Grissa and regulation of Lodging-houses therein.

WHEBEAS it is expedient to make provision for the licens-Preamble. Ing and regulation of pilgrims' lodginghouses at Pooree, and on the main lines of road leading to Pooree, and for the better sanitation of Pooree and other towns in Orissa; It is enacted as follows :-

1. The words and expressions following shall, in this Act, Interpretation. have and bear the meanings and construction hereby assigned to them, unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such meaning or construction; that is to say :--

"Lodger." The word "Lodger" shall mean an inmate liable to pay bire for accommodation in any house.

"Owner." The word "Owner" shall mean the person entitled to the immediate possession of any house.

The expression "Lodging-house" shall mean a house "Lodging-house." licensed under this Act for the reception of lodgers.

The expression "Keeper of a Lodging-house" shall mean "Keeper of a Lodging-house." the person to whom a license for the reception of lodgers in 'any house under this Act shall be granted.

The expression "The Magistrate" shall mean the Magis-"The Magistrate." trate of the district of Pooree, or of any other district or part of a district to which this A ct may be extended, or other officer in charge of the

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office of such Magistrate, or specially invested with power under this Act.

The expression "The Health Officer" shall mean the person whom the Lieutenant-Governor of "The Health Officer." Bengal shall appoint under this Act.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal is hereby em-2. powered to appoint a Health Officer to Appointment of Health Officer. Deficontrol and direct the sanitation and connition of his duties. servancy of the town of Pooree, and of

the main lines of road leading thereto.

Power to Magistrate to grant license.

3.

From and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Magistrate, upon the application of the owner of any house in the town of Pooree, to grant to such appli-

cant a license for the reception of lodgers in his said house, if the Magistrate be satisfied that such house is fit to be used as a lodging-house.

4. The application for such license as in the preceding section is mentioned, shall be in writing, Application for liand shall be in the form set forth in Schecense to be in the form of the Schedule A. dule (A) of this Act and shall be sub-The license to be scribed and verified by the applicant at in the form of the Schedule B. the foot or end thereof in the manner provided by law for the verification of plaints. The license for the reception of lodgers to be granted by the Magistrate under this Act shall be in the form set forth in Schedule (B) of this Act.

5. The Health Officer shall, when required by the

The Health Officer shall, when required by the Magi-trate, report upon any lodging-house.

Magistrate or the owner of any house, certify to the Magistrate the sanitary state and condition of such house, and the nature and extent of the accommodation which such house is capable of

affording to lodgers.

6. No license for the reception of lodgers shall be granted under this Act by the Magistrate Restrictions on unless the Health Officer shall certify in the power of granting a license. writing under his hand to the Magistrate that in his judgment the house, for the licensing of which for the reception of lodgers application shall have been made as aforesaid, is sufficiently ventilated, and has, within a reasonable

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distance from such house, a sufficient supply of water fit for human consumption, and also sufficient privy accommodation, and is otherwise fit for the reception of lodgers. The said Health Officer shall also certify to the Magistrate the largest number of lodgers which such house can, having regard to the number of persons permanently residing therein, accommodate with safety to the health of such lodgers : and no license under this Act shall be granted by the Magistrate for the reception in any house of any number of lodgers in excess of the number of lodgers which the Health Officer shall have so certified as aforesaid to be the largest number which such house could accommodate with safety to the health of such lodgers.

A fine to be imposed on any lodging-house keeper not taking out a license.

7. After the passing of this Act, every owner of any house in the town of Pooree not licensed as a lodging-house under this Act, who shall suffer or permit any lodger to be an inmate of such house, shall be punished

by a fine not exceeding two rupees for every lodger for each night during any part of which such lodger shall be an inmate of such house.

Fee payable on issue of certificate of Health Officer, and on grant of license.

8. There shall be charged upon every certificate of the Health Officer, issued upon an application therefor by the owner of any house, a fee of one rupee; and upon every license a fee, calculated at the rate of eight annas

for each person, upon the entire number of lodgers mentioned in such license shall be payable.

Every license under this Act shall, unless revoked or sus-9. pended, continue and be in force for twelve License to continue calendar months from the day of its for a year. date.

It shall be lawful for the Magistrate or the Health 10. Officer, or for any other person whom Power to inspect lodgthe Magistrate shall by any writing thereing-houses. unto authorize, at any reasonable time

to enter into any lodging-house, and to inspect and examine the same and every part thereof, not being in the exclusive use and occupation of women, who, according to the custom and manners of the country, ought not to be compelled to appear in public ; provided always that if, in the judgment of the Magistrate, such reason shall exist as to necessitate an entry into and inspection and examination of such apartments so exclusively used and occupied by such women as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the Magistrate, upon reasonable notice of such his intention being affixed to the house in which such women are residing, to enter into and inspect and examine, or to authorize under his hand any other person to enter into and inspect and examine, such apartments of such women as aforesaid.

11. It shall be lawful for the Magistrate to exempt from Power to exempt lodging-house from inspection the house or portion of a house occupied by any lodger, so long as they shall be occupied by such lodger, or until further order by the Magistrate.

12. Every keeper of a lodging-house shall produce to Keeper of lodginghouse to produce his license. Magistrate authorized to demand the same, the license of such house, whenever he

shall be thereunto required by the Magistrate or such officer.

13. Every keeper of a lodging-house shall make a report,

Keeper of lodginghouses to report accidents, deaths, and sickness, and the names of persons in their lodging-houses. to the person in charge of the nearest Police-station, of each birth, death, or grave accident, or serious sickness which may occur in the lodging-house of which he is keeper, forthwith after such birth,

death, or accident or sickness shall have occurred ; and shall also every day, during such periods of the year as the Magistrate shall from time to time appoint, before noon, make a report in writing to the person in charge of such station, stating the number of persons who shall have been inmates of such lodging-house during the preceding night, and distinguishing in such list males from females and adults from children.

14. Every keeper of a lodging-house shall exhibit, and Lodging-house keepers to exhibit number of house. Lodgers which such person is licensed to accommodate, plainly and legibly set forth in Bengalee and Ooriah characters.

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15. Upon the inspection and examination of any lodging-

A short report to be kept of the inspection and examination of any lodging-house. house, the Magistrate or Health Officer or other person authorized as aforesaid to make such inspection and examination, shall record in a Register Book to be

kept for that purpose, a succinct report of the result of such inspection and examination.

16. Every person who shall make any application, statestatement under this ment, or report, in pursuance of the pro-

Act to be true. visions of this Act, shall be deemed to have been bound by express provision of law to state the truth therein.

17. Every keeper of a lodging-house in which there shall penalties, be, at any time, a number of inmates in

excess of the aggregate number of inmates resident in such house at the date of the application for the license thereof and of the number of lodgers mentioned in such license, or a number of lodgers in excess of the number of lodgers mentioned in such license, or who shall suffer or permit any person, other than a member of his family or a servant in his actual employ, to be an inmate of his house, after the revocation or during the suspension of his license, or who shall refuse or neglect without reasonable cause, within one hour after demand, to produce to the Magistrate or other officer as aforesaid the license for his said lodging-house when he shall be thereunto required, or who shall omit, without like reasonable cause, to make such report as by section 13 of this Act he is required to make, or to expose or keep exposed the number of his license, and the number of lodgers he is licensed to accommodate as hereinbefore is required, shall be liable to be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty rupees for every such offence.

18. Whenever the keeper of any lodging-house shall Persons in charge of lodging-houses to be responsible. In the person who shall be actually in charge thereof shall, as well as the keeper thereof, be liable to the penalties hereby provided for any infraction of the provisions of this Act.

Offences to be determined according to Code of Criminal Procedure. 19. All offences against this Act shall be heard and determined according to the provisions of Chapter 15 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

20. It shall be lawful for the Magistrate to revoke or sus-

Power to revoke or suspend licenses on proof of conviction.

pend any license granted under this Act to the keeper of any lodging-house who, after the grant of such license, shall have been

convicted of any offence against the provisions of this Act, or whose house shall have been certified by the Health Officer to have become unfit or unsafe for occupation as a lodging-house.

21. It shall be lawful for the Magistrate, when it shall

Power to reduce number of lodgers for which license is granted.

be proved to him that any licensed lodging-house is unfit for the accommodation of the number of lodgers mentioned in the license, to reduce the number of lodg-

ers mentioned in the license thereof to such number as may be able to obtain suitable accommodation in such house, and to enter in the license of such house such diminished number.

"All fines and fees under this Act shall-be expended 22. in the sanitary improvement of all or any of the towns or places in which this Act may be in force, or in the sanitary improvement of pilgrim halting places or the roads leading to such town or places in such manner as the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal may from time to time direct."

As amended by section 2 of Act II of 1879 (B. C.).

Applications to be in writing.

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23. All applications to the Magistrate or Health Officer under this Act shall be made in writing.

24. Depositing dirt, &c., in highways and sew-

Whoever deposits, or permits his servants to deposit, any dust, dirt, dung, ashes or refuse, or filthof any kind, or any animal matter, or any broken glass or earthenware, or other rub-

bish, in any public highway, except in such convenient spots, and in such manner, and at such hours, as shall be fixed by the Magistrate with the assent of the Health Officer, or throws or puts, or permits his servants to throw or put, any such substance into any public sewer, or drain, or into any drain communicating therewith, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten rupees.

25. Whoever causes or allows the water of any sink or

Permitting offensive matter to run into drains or upon highways.

sewer, or any other offensive liquid matter belonging to him or being on his land, to run, drain, or be thrown or put upon any public highway, or causes or allows any

offensive matter from any sewer or privy to run, drain, or be

thrown into a surface drain in any such highway, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten rupees.

26. The Magistrate may give notice to the owner or to Notice to cut trees. the occupier of any land to cut and trim any hedges or trees which overhang any

public highway so as to obstruct the passage, or to interfere with the free circulation of air.

27. Whoever being the occupier of a house in or near Penalty on occupier of a house not removing filth. any dirt, dung, bones, ashes, night-soil or filth, or any noxious or offensive matter in or upon such house, or in any outhouse, yard, or ground attached to and occupied with such house, or suffers such receptacle to be in a filthy or noxious state, or neglects to employ proper means to cleanse the same, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees.

28. Whoever being the owner or keeper of any cattle, Keeping cattle near highways. being the owner or keeper of any cattle, sheep, or pigs, suffers the stall, pen, or place in which they are kept, in or near any public highway, to be in a filthy or

noxious state, or neglects to employ proper means to remove the filth therefrom, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees, and to a fine not exceeding three rupees for every day after conviction for such offence during which the offence is continued.

29. The Magistrate may license such necessaries for public necessaries. Power to license public necessaries. Shall keep any public necessary without such license, or having a license for a public necessary, shall suffer the same to be in a filthy or noxious state, or shall neglect to employ proper means for cleansing the same, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees, and such license may be withdrawn.

30. Whoever being the owner or occupier of any Clearing drains and cesspools. Clearing drains and test of the owner or occupier of any private drain, privy, or cesspool, shall neglect, or refuse after warning from the Health Officer, to keep the same in a

proper state, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees.

It shall be lawful for the Magistrate, with the assent 31. of the Health Officer, to appropriate Power to set apart to the domestic use of the inhabitants tanks for domestic use. of Pooree, or of any other towns to which this Act may be extended, any tank not being a private tank; and whoever shall bathe in any tank so appropriated to the domestic use of the inhabitants of the place, or shall wash or cause to be washed therein any animal, or any wool, cloth, or wearing apparel, or any utensils for cooking or other purposes, or leather, or the skin of any animal, or any foul or offensive thing, or shall put or cause to enter therein any animal, or any gravel, stone, dirt, or rubbish. or any dirt, filth, or other noxious thing, or shall cause or suffer to run, drain, or be brought thereunto the water of any sink, sewer, drain, or any other unwholesome or offensive liquid, or shall do anything whatsoever whereby the water in any such tank shall be in any degree fouled or corrupted, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty rupees.

32. Whenever any lands or premises being private

Notice to drain and clear vegetation. property or within any private enclosure appear to the Health Officer to be by reason of thick or noxious vegetation or

want of drainage in a state injurious to health or offensive to the neighbourhood, it shall be lawful for the Magistrate to require, by notice in writing, the owner or occupier of the premises to clear and remove such vegetation, or drain such premises.

33. The Magistrate may, from time to time, as he may see fit, drain off into any sewers. and cleanse and fill up or otherwise abate, any stagnant pool, ditch, tank, pond, or other receptacle of water which shall appear to the Health Officer to be useless or unnecessary, or likely to prove

injurious to the health of the inhabitants, whether the same be or be not within any private enclosure or be or be not the private property of any person.

34. In case any person to whom any notice, warning Power to perform works of which notice is given. 26, 30, or 32 shall be given shall, without sufficient reason for eight clear days after service upon him of such notice or order, neglect, or refuse

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to comply therewith, or shall not proceed with due diligence in the completion of the works thereby required, it shall be lawful for the Magistrate to cause to be performed the works in or by such notice required to be performed, and for that purpose to enter into or upon, and to cause workmen and servants to enter into and upon lands belonging to, or in the occupation of, such person, and to do all things needful or useful to the performance of such works, and the Magistrate shall make an order under his hand certifying the expense incurred in or about the performance of such works and ordering the payment of such amount by the owner or by the occupier of the lands on which such works may have been performed, and such amount may be recovered from the person named therein as if it had been a fine for an offence against any of the provisions of this Act.

35. Every notice, warning, order or summons, under any of the preceding sections of this Act, Service of notices. may be served personally upon the person to whom the same is addressed, or may be served by leaving the same at his usual or last known place of abode with some adult male member or servant of his family, or, if it cannot be so served, may be served by being put up on some conspicuous part of such place of abode. If such notice, warning, order or summons relates to any house, building, or land, and the place of abode of the person whom it is intended to affect by such notice, warning, order or summons, is unknown, or is not within the town in which such house, building, or land is situate, the same shall be deemed to be duly served if put up in some conspicuous part of the house, building, or land to which the same relates. 36. No action shall be brought against the Magistrate,

Indemnity clause. nor against the Health Officer, nor against any of his or their officers, nor against any person acting under his or their direction, for anything done or professing or purporting to be done under this Act, until the expiration of one month next after notice in writing shall have been delivered or left at the office of the Magistrate or at the place of abode of such person, explicitly stating the cause of action, and the name and place of abode of the intended plaintiff ; and unless such notice be proved the Court shall find for the defendant, and every such action shall be commenced within three months next after the accrual of the cause of action, and not afterwards ; and if any person to whom any such notice of action is given shall, before action brought, tender sufficient amends to the plaintiff, such plaintiff shall not recover.

37. It shall be lawful for the Magistrate, with the assent of the Health Officer, and the

Power to make byelaws. assent of the Health Officer, and the Civil Surgeon of the District if he be not the Health Officer, to make bye-laws, and

to repeal, alter, and amend the same subject to the confirmation hereinafter mentioned, for the management of all matters connected with the conservancy of the town of Pooree, or of any other town to which this Act may be extended, and for regulating the encampments, lodging, and halting places of pilgrims on their journey to or from Pooree or such other town as aforesaid, and for preventing the spread of epidemics amongst such pilgrims while at Pooree or such other towns as aforesaid, or on the journey thereto or therefrom, and to affix fines as penalties for the infringement of such bye-laws. Provided that no bye-law shall be repugnant to any law in force, and that no fine for any one infringement of a bye-law shall exceed twenty rupees, and that in case of a continuing infringement, no fine shall exceed five rupees for every day after notice from the Magistrate of such infringement.

38. No bye-law or alteration of a bye-law shall have Bye-laws to be confirmed by Lieutenant-Governor. Effect until the same shall have been approved and confirmed by the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and shall have been published for such length of time and in such manner as the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal shall order.

39. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor of

Provision for extending this Act to Bhoobanessur or Jajipore, Bengal, from time to time by order published in the *Calcutta Gazette*, to extend the provisions of this Act or any part of

it to Bhoobanessur and to Jajipore, or to any of the towns or villages in Orissa used as pilgrim stages or to any villages in Orissa on the line of road habitnally traversed by pilgrims, and this Act shall commence and take effect in Pooree upon the 1st day of June 1871, and in any other place to which it may be extended for such time as shall be in that behalf appointed in the order extending the same, or in any other order in like manner published.

Short title. 40. This Act may be called "The Pooree Lodging-house Act, 1871."

SCHEDULE A.

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE.

1,, hereby request that a license may be granted to me, under the provisions of Act No. IV of 1871 of the Council of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal for maki \$\varsis g\$ laws and regulations, for the reception of lodgers in my said house.

other sufficient plying for house or offences against license for ac- description of its license, not. the provisions commodating in desi es to accom- said house.		2	3	4	5	6	7
not.	in which the house is situated, or other sufficient	Name of owner ap- plying for	owner of house or	cant has been previously con- victed of any offences against the provisions of this Act or	ers applicant desires to obtain license for ac- commodating in	tion, and size of apartments in which applicant	mates now residing in applicant's

I,, , above-named, do declare that what is state i on the above application for a license is true to the best of my information and belief.

(Signature) -

SCHEDULE B.

LICENSE.

The registered number of this license, upon which a fee of Rs.....has been paid, is No.....

(Signature)_

Magistrate of District.

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ACT No. II of 1879.

PASSED BY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Lieutenant-Governor on the 26th February 1879, and of the Governor-General on the 22nd March 1879.)

An Act to amend and extend the Pooree Lodging-house Act, 1871.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend Bengal Act No. IV of Preamble. 1871, and to give power to the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal to extend the provisions of the said Act to places other than those specified in section 39 of the said Act : It is enacted as follows :--

1. This Act shall come into force from the date on which it Commencement of may be published in the Calcutta Gazette with the assent of the Governor-General.

2. Amends section 22 of B. C. Act IV of 1871.

3. The Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal may, from time Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal may, from time to time, by notification in the *Calcutta Gazette*, extend Bengal Act No. IV of 1871, as amended by this Act, or any part of it, to any town or place to or through which people go on pilgrimage and to the lines of road leading thereto; and

the provisions of the said Act, or of any part of it, as the case may be, shall, from the date of such notification, apply accordingly with the following modifications :---

"In section 7 after the word 'each' the words 'day or' shall be inserted."

In lieu of the word "Pooree" in sections 2, 3, 7, and Schedule B, shall be substituted the name of the place or places mentioned in the notification. In lieu of the words "the rate of eight annas" in section 8 shall be substituted the words "a rate not exceeding one rupee."

In lieu of the last five words in section 14 shall be substituted the words "in the character of the vernacular of the district."

As amended by Act I of 1884 (B. C.).



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