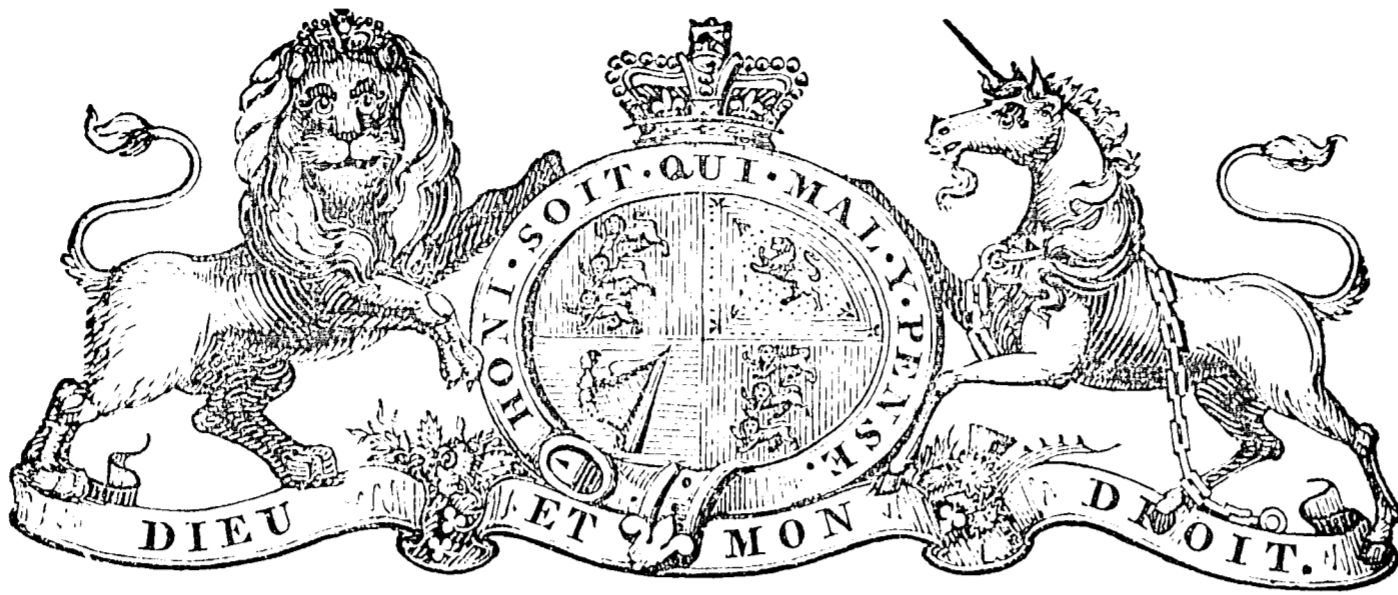


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No. DCCCIII.

An Act to amend "*The Licensing Act 1876.*"

[4th *December* 1884.]

WHEREAS certain persons being married women have heretofore had granted to them licences purporting to have been granted and issued under the provisions of "*The Licensing Act 1876*": And whereas by a recent determination of the law it has been decided that a married woman cannot hold such a licence: And whereas certain married women are now the holders or the transferees of such licences which will expire on the thirty-first day of December next ensuing: And whereas such determination of law as aforesaid renders such holders or transferees liable to the penalties imposed by the said recited Act upon unlicensed persons, and would have the effect of precluding such married women from obtaining licences for the year now next ensuing from the first January to thirty-first December One thousand eight hundred and eighty-five: And whereas it is expedient and desirable that such married women should be relieved from the liability to the penalties as aforesaid and should be afforded a reasonable time by way of notice to dispose of their businesses and be enabled to transfer their respective licences: Be it enacted therefore by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say):—

Preamble.

1. Any married woman being the holder of a licence or the transferee of a licence granted and issued to her purporting to have been granted and issued under the provisions of "*The Licensing Act 1876*" in or during the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-four shall

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shall not be liable to any penalties for selling liquor and shall not be refused a renewal of such licence or a grant and issue of a licence in respect of any such transfer of which she is the transferee for the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-five by reason only of her being a married woman, any construction of law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Married woman may deal with licence in the same manner as other licensees.

2. Any licence issued to a married woman as aforesaid may be dealt with by her under and in pursuance of the provisions of the said Act during the continuance of such licence in the same manner as any other licensee may do thereunder.

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