

In the spring of 1855, New Brunswick's legislature passed "An Act to prevent the importation, manufacture, and traffic in Intoxicating Liquors". Establishments such as the King's Head Inn were in jeopardy of losing their business, as were the province's brewers and distillers. Below is a petition to the Queen from some well-known Saint John Brewers who supplied establishments such as the King's Head Inn.

From the Journal of the Assembly, New Brunswick, May, 1855.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

The Petition of John Doherty, Robert Kellie, and James O'Connor, all of the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, Brewers; and William Henry Kellie, of the Parish of Portland, in the County of Saint John, in the same Province, also a Brewer: Humbly Sheweth –

That your Petitioners are loyal subjects of Your Majesty, and crave leave in approaching the Throne, to express their devoted attachment to Your Majesty's Person and Government.

That your Petitioners have long carried on the business of brewing ale and other malt liquors in this Province, and they now learn with surprise and dismay that they will be shortly prohibited from exercising their lawful calling under the provisions of an Act lately passed by the Legislature of New Brunswick, entitled "An Act to prevent the importation, manufacture, and traffic in Intoxicating Liquors."

That if such Act is allowed by Your Majesty, the manufacture of good and wholesome beverages from malt, will after the first day of January next be wholly unlawful in New Brunswick, and your petitioners must then cease to exercise an honest calling, which has been followed by Britons from a very early period.

That your Petitioners have invested very large sums of money in their Brewery and plant, and made other large outlay for the purpose of conducting their lawful occupation in a proper manner.

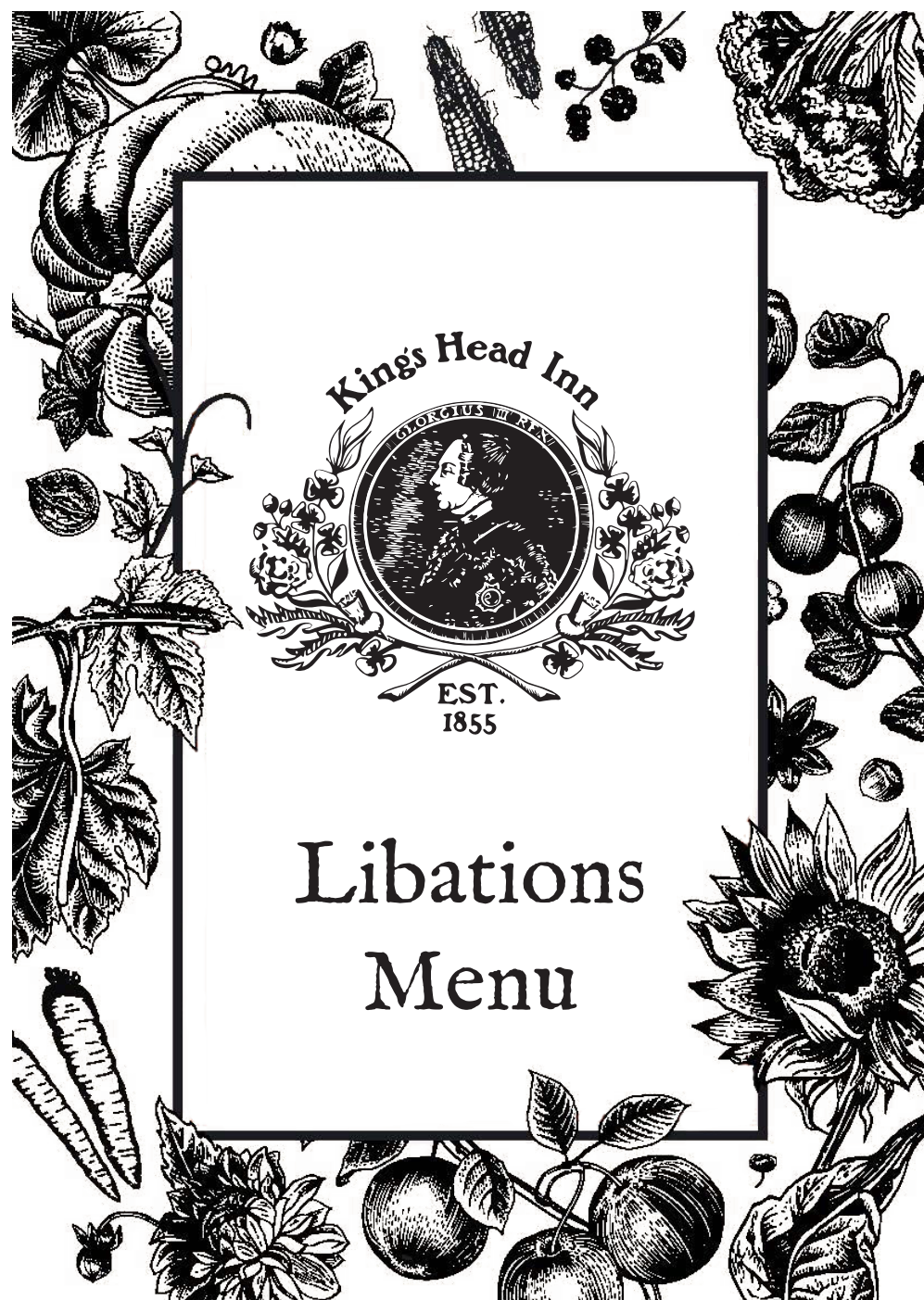
That the operation of the law in question will render the property of your Petitioners of very little value, and bring upon them almost total ruin, inasmuch as there is no provision in the said Law for granting them compensation or indemnity for the heavy losses they must unavoidably sustain.

That the provisions of such Law generally are arbitrary and oppressive in the highest degree, infringing many of the dearest rights of Your Majesty's subjects.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that the said Law may be disallowed by your Majesty, or otherwise that provision may be made to indemnify your Petitioners for the losses they will sustain by reason of the depreciation in the value of their property, and the prohibition of the lawful business they have heretofore carried on, but of which they will, under the operation of such law, be wholly deprived.

And your Petitioners as in duty bound, &c.

Saint John, 1st May, 1855.



## Ales

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Simeon Jones River Valley Amber Ale .....	\$7. <sup>00</sup>
Summer Cider .....	\$7. <sup>50</sup>

## Spirits

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Rum, Vodka, Gin, Tequila, Rye .....	Single \$5. <sup>95</sup>   Double \$9. <sup>25</sup>
Scotch .....	Single \$8. <sup>25</sup>   Double \$12. <sup>25</sup>

## Liqueurs

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Kahlua, Baileys, Drambuie, Frangelico, Brandy, Grand Marnier .....	Single \$5. <sup>95</sup>   Double \$9. <sup>25</sup>
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## Non-Alcoholic Beverages

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Cold Cider.....	\$3. <sup>05</sup>
Shirley Temple (7 Up, Ginger Ale & Grenadine) .....	\$3. <sup>05</sup>
Juice (Apple, Orange & Cranberry).....	\$3. <sup>05</sup>
Pop .....	\$3. <sup>05</sup>
Homemade Iced Tea .....	Sm \$2. <sup>50</sup>   Lg \$3. <sup>05</sup>
Homemade Seasonal Cordial.....	Sm \$2. <sup>50</sup>   Lg \$3. <sup>05</sup>
Homemade Lemonade .....	Sm \$2. <sup>50</sup>   Lg \$3. <sup>05</sup>
White, Chocolate Milk.....	Sm \$2. <sup>50</sup>   Lg \$3. <sup>05</sup>
Coffee   Tea   Herbal Tea.....	\$2. <sup>99</sup>

## Wines

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JACKSON TRIGGS	6oz	9oz	1/2 LITRE	1 LITRE
Merlot (Red)	\$6. <sup>00</sup>	\$9. <sup>00</sup>	\$17. <sup>00</sup>	\$32. <sup>00</sup>
Pinot Grigio (White)	\$6. <sup>00</sup>	\$9. <sup>00</sup>	\$17. <sup>00</sup>	\$32. <sup>00</sup>

## Specialty Drinks

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Seasonal Cordial Tonic .....	Single \$8. <sup>95</sup>   Double \$12. <sup>95</sup>
Screwdriver .....	Single \$5. <sup>95</sup>   Double \$9. <sup>25</sup>
Tequila Sunrise .....	Single \$6. <sup>95</sup>   Double \$10. <sup>95</sup>
Holyoke Coffee (Coffee, Frangelico & Whipped Cream) .....	Single \$6. <sup>50</sup>   Double \$10. <sup>50</sup>
Caesar .....	Single \$6. <sup>90</sup>   Double \$10. <sup>35</sup>
Fanny's Vodka Lemonade .....	Single \$5. <sup>95</sup>   Double \$9. <sup>25</sup>
Vodka Iced Tea.....	Single \$5. <sup>95</sup>   Double \$9. <sup>25</sup>
White Russian (Vodka, Kahlua & Milk) .....	\$10. <sup>50</sup>
Black Russian (Vodka & Kahlua) .....	\$10. <sup>50</sup>
White Sailor (Rum, Kahlua & Milk) .....	\$10. <sup>50</sup>
Black Sailor (Rum & Kahlua) .....	\$10. <sup>50</sup>
Rusty Nail (Scotch & Drambuie) .....	\$11. <sup>25</sup>
Red Eye (Beer & Clamato Juice) .....	\$6. <sup>50</sup>
Shandy (Beer & Homemade Lemonade) .....	\$6. <sup>50</sup>