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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

LIQUOR COMMISSIONER

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

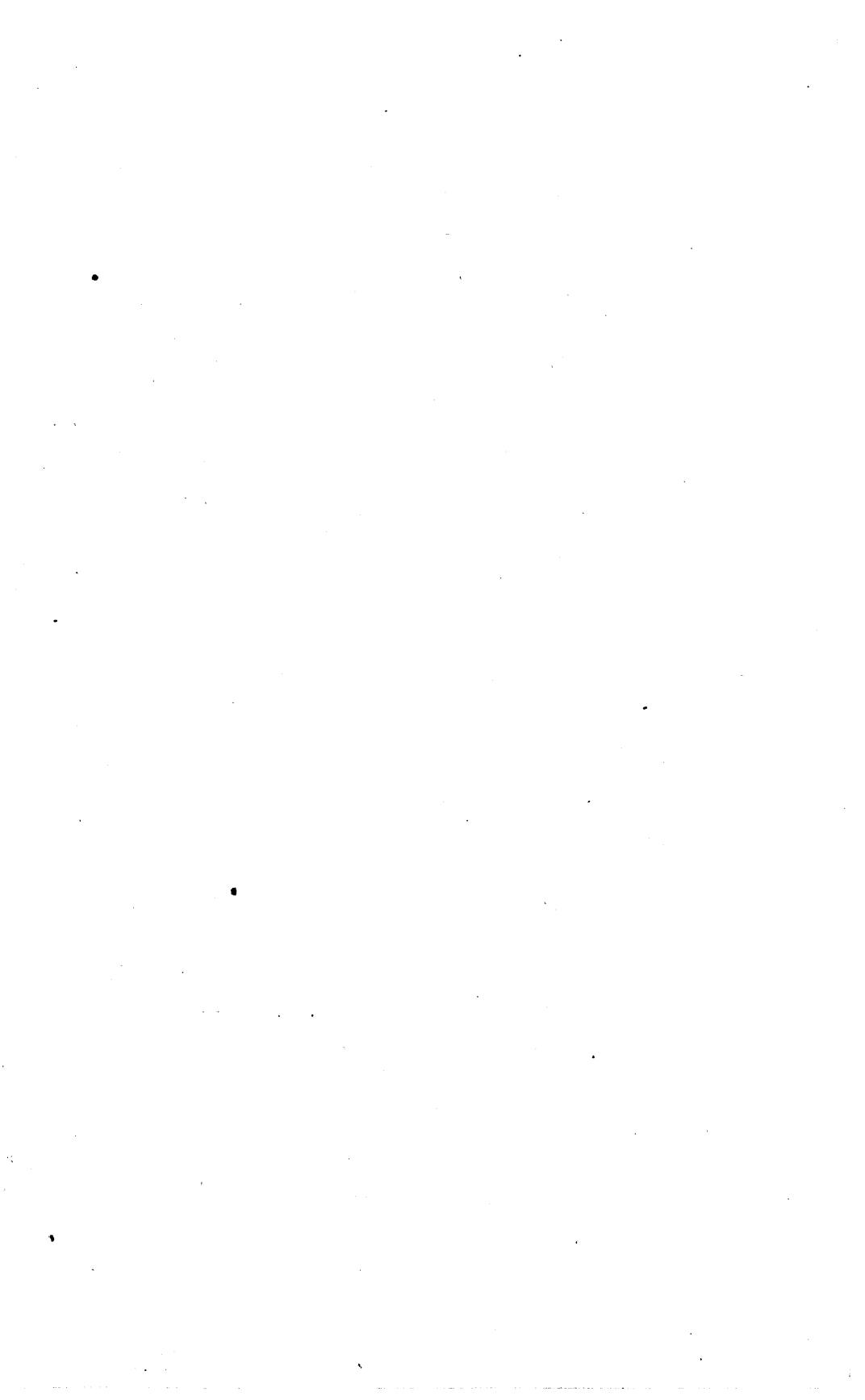
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REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Governor, and
Executive Council of Maine :*

In presenting my Annual Report, I have at this time but few suggestions or remarks to make.

It is quite clear that in some localities and in several counties, our prohibitory laws are being better enforced than formerly. And whether the quantity of intoxicating liquors used has been largely diminished or not, yet it is patent to all that in many places there is less open intoxication, and less disorder and crime.

The mode of regulating the sale of liquors in this State for medicinal and mechanical purposes was never more generally approved, I judge, than now ; and whatever objections may be brought against it, no stringent license law which public sentiment would demand in exchange would be likely to prove less objectionable.

Our city and town agencies are generally as well conducted perhaps, as could reasonably be expected, and to a large extent, I have reason to believe, are supplied from this office. Some probably wish to extend their sales beyond what they care to have publicly reported, and buy more or less from other sources, while others with a view, obviously to personal advantage, or to the largest possible revenue, purchase of outside parties, with little or no reference to the purity of the liquors or their fitness for medicinal use. These abuses might be very generally corrected, if the citizens in such localities, or the proper officers would endeavor to have it done. In some cases where agencies in other respects are well managed, the profit charged is unquestionably too large, and is a just ground of complaint. This matter, however, is wholly and properly regulated by the Municipal Boards.

Statement of Sales to Cities and Towns for the year ending November 30, 1872.

Town of Anson.		City of Belfast.	
Cost of liquors.....	\$608 76	Cost of liquors.....	\$631 96
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	17 60	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	9 10
Commissions.....	42 61	Commissions.....	44 29
	668 97 ^a		685 35
Town of Auburn.		City of Bangor.	
Cost of liquors.....	2,282 23	Cost of liquors.....	6,095 71
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	19 20	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	29 80
Commissions.....	159 75	Commissions.....	304 49
	2,461 18		6,430 00
Town of Appleton.		Town of Cornish.	
Cost of liquors.....	11 50	Cost of liquors.....	1,037 76
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	1 40	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 65
Commissions.....	80	Commissions.....	72 64
	13 70		1,115 05
City of Bath.		Town of Canton.	
Cost of liquors.....	4,256 58	Cost of liquors.....	2,063 77
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	18 40	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	22 98
Commissions.....	297 93	Commissions.....	144 46
	4,572 91		2,231 21
Town of Bingham.		Town of Columbia Falls.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,504 56	Cost of liquors.....	763 40
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	44 95	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	16 85
Commissions.....	105 32	Commissions.....	53 44
	1,651 83		833 69
Town of Brunswick.		Town of Canaan.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,325 47	Cost of liquors.....	109 75
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 10	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	1 09
Commissions.....	91 54	Commissions.....	7 67
	1,421 11		118 51
Town of Bowdoinham.		Town of Chesterville.	
Cost of liquors.....	825 59	Cost of liquors.....	18 00
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	28 56	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	90
Commissions.....	57 74	Commissions.....	1 26
	911 89		20 16
Town of Bethel.		Town of Cherryfield.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,639 26	Cost of liquors.....	910 19
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	14 40	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 55
Commissions.....	114 73	Commissions.....	63 72
	1,768 39		982 46
Town of Bucksport.		Town of Castine.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,781 63	Cost of liquors.....	432 45
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	12 95	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	22 93
Commissions.....	124 70	Commissions.....	30 26
	1,919 28		485 64
Town of Belmont.		Town of Cornville.	
Cost of liquors.....	244 25	Cost of liquors.....	184 54
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	5 00	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	75
Commissions.....	17 09	Commissions.....	12 92
	266 34		198 21

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City of Calais.		Town of Frankfort.	
Cost of liquors.....	\$175 25	Cost of liquors.....	\$228 65
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	6 25	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	6 75
Commissions.....	12 27	Commissions.....	16 00
	193 77		251 40
Town of Dixfield.		Town of Franklin.	
Cost of liquors.....	794 32	Cost of liquors.....	161 02
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	10 10	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 39
Commissions.....	55 61	Commissions.....	11 26
	860 03		176 67
Town of Dexter.		Town of Fryeburg.	
Cost of liquors.....	967 94	Cost of liquors.....	1,022 28
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	11 70	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	11 05
Commissions.....	67 77	Commissions.....	71 56
	1,047 41		1,104 89
Town of Denmark.		Town of Farmington.	
Cost of liquors.....	33 32	Cost of liquors.....	1,490 38
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	3 45	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	9 75
Commissions.....	2 33	Commissions.....	104 30
	39 10		1,604 43
Town of Damariscotta.		Town of Freedom, N. H.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,119 10	Cost of liquors.....	48 30
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	12 25	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	25
Commissions.....	78 34	Commissions.....	3 38
	1,209 69		51 93
Town of Dover.		Town of Fayette.	
Cost of liquors.....	419 93	Cost of liquors.....	140 31
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	7 90	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	1 90
Commissions.....	29 38	Commissions.....	9 83
	457 21		152 04
Town of Eastport.		Town of Greenwood.	
Cost of liquors.....	397 81	Cost of liquors.....	637 03
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 55	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	17 45
Commissions.....	27 84	Commissions.....	44 58
	430 20		699 06
Town of East Machias.		Town of Greene.	
Cost of liquors.....	780 98	Cost of liquors.....	56 22
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	16 40	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	5 20
Commissions.....	54 66	Commissions.....	3 93
	852 04		65 35
Town of East Livermore.		City of Gardiner.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,015 09	Cost of liquors.....	1,504 04
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	16 40	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	28 70
Commissions.....	71 65	Commissions.....	105 28
	1,102 54		1,638 02
Town of Freeport.		Town of Hartland.	
Cost of liquors.....	716 93	Cost of liquors.....	435 48
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	9 90	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	12 00
Commissions.....	50 05	Commissions.....	30 48
	776 88		477 96
Town of Foxcroft.		City of Hallowell.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,492 33	Cost of liquors.....	681 79
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	33 37	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 65
Commissions.....	104 45	Commissions.....	47 71
	1,630 15		734 15

Statement of Sales to Cities and Towns, (Continued.)

Town of Harmony.		Town of Leeds.	
Cost of liquors.....	\$658 63	Cost of liquors.....	\$275 95
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	15 05	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	7 77
Commissions.....	46 07	Commissions.....	19 31
	719 75		303 03
Hamlin's Grant Plantation.		Town of Limington.	
Cost of liquors.....	2,128 47	Cost of liquors.....	64 00
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	14 55	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	3 95
Commissions.....	148 98	Commissions.....	4 48
	2,292 00		72 43
Highland Plantation.		Town of Machias.	
Cost of liquors.....	116 93	Cost of liquors.....	1,836 30
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	10 30	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 30
Commissions.....	8 18	Commissions.....	128 53
	135 41		1,973 13
Town of Hebron.		Milton Plantation.	
Cost of liquors.....	342 97	Cost of liquors.....	213 58
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	10 41	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	2 35
Commissions.....	24 00	Commissions.....	14 95
	377 38		230 88
Town of Hollis.		Town of Monmouth.	
Cost of liquors.....	282 99	Cost of liquors.....	640 55
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	10 30	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 30
Commissions.....	19 80	Commissions.....	44 81
	313 09		693 66
Town of Kittery.		Town of Mexico.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,558 53	Cost of liquors.....	1,148 71
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	5 90	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	11 65
Commissions.....	109 07	Commissions.....	80 45
	1,673 50		1,240 81
Town of Kingsbury.		Town of Mercer.	
Cost of liquors.....	173 10	Cost of liquors.....	79 78
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 55	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	2 90
Commissions.....	12 12	Commissions.....	5 59
	189 77		88 27
Town of Livermore.		Town of Milford.	
Cost of liquors.....	700 09	Cost of liquors.....	139 87
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	23 60	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	3 20
Commissions.....	48 97	Commissions.....	9 78
	772 66		152 85
Town of Lisbon.		Town of Minot.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,464 23	Cost of liquors.....	73 25
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	120 35	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 70
Commissions.....	102 48	Commissions.....	5 13
	1,687 06		83 08
Town of Lovell.		Town of Norway.	
Cost of liquors.....	430 83	Cost of liquors.....	1,857 56
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	6 75	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	12 45
Commissions.....	30 16	Commissions.....	130 01
	467 74		2,000 02
City of Lewiston.		Town of Norridgewock.	
Cost of liquors.....	7,754 69	Cost of liquors.....	306 69
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	55 66	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	83
Commissions.....	542 84	Commissions.....	21 4
	8,353 19		328 9

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Town of New Portland.		Town of Pittsfield.	
Cost of liquors.....	\$385 95	Cost of liquors.....	\$1,107 20
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	14 05	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	23 30
Commissions.....	27 00	Commissions.....	77 52
	427 00		1,208 22
Town of North Berwick.		Town of Palmyra.	
Cost of liquors.....	376 52	Cost of liquors.....	366 46
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	14 40	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	7 60
Commissions.....	26 35	Commissions.....	25 63
	417 27		399 69
Town of New Gloucester.		Town of Palermo.	
Cost of liquors.....	309 09	Cost of liquors.....	2,006 35
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 70	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 40
Commissions.....	21 64	Commissions.....	140 43
	339 43		2,155 18
Town of Newcastle.		Town of Porter.	
Cost of liquors.....	13 50	Cost of liquors.....	144 17
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	1 15	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	12 70
Commissions.....	95	Commissions.....	10 08
	15 60		166 95
Town of Oldtown.		Town of Ripley.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,585 52	Cost of liquors.....	87 80
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	16 50	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	2 70
Commissions.....	111 02	Commissions.....	6 15
	1,713 04		96 65
Town of Orland.		City of Rockland.	
Cost of liquors.....	713 48	Cost of liquors.....	3,613 58
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	18 10	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	18 95
Commissions.....	49 62	Commissions.....	252 91
	780 80		3,885 44
Town of Orono.		Town of Richmond.	
Cost of liquors.....	279 05	Cost of liquors.....	599 53
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 00	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 35
Commissions.....	19 53	Commissions.....	41 95
	306 58		645 83
City of Portland.		Town of Readfield.	
Cost of liquors.....	10,713 41	Cost of liquors.....	156 33
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	48 45	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	2 80
Commissions.....	749 60	Commissions.....	10 94
	11,511 46		170 07
Town of Paris.		Town of Springfield.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,503 95	Cost of liquors.....	537 97
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	4 45	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	19 97
Commissions.....	105 26	Commissions.....	37 67
	1,613 66		595 61
Town of Phillips.		Town of St. Albans.	
Cost of liquors.....	853 22	Cost of liquors.....	264 16
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 15	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	6 35
Commissions.....	59 72	Commissions.....	18 47
	921 09		288 98
Town of Princeton.		Town of Smithfield.	
Cost of liquors.....	194 32	Cost of liquors.....	442 32
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	10 03	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	16 15
Commissions.....	13 60	Commissions.....	30 96
	217 95		489 43

Statement of Sales to Cities and Towns, (Concluded.)

Town of South Berwick.		Town of Wilton.	
Cost of liquors.....	\$182 71	Cost of liquors.....	\$997 31
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	5 13	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	12 50
Commissions.....	12 79	Commissions.....	69 81
	200 63		1,079 62
City of Saco.		Town of Weld.	
Cost of liquors.....	504 03	Cost of liquors.....	407 12
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	3 20	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	26 00
Commissions.....	35 27	Commissions.....	28 48
	542 50		461 60
Town of Turner.		Town of Wayne.	
Cost of liquors.....	156 34	Cost of liquors.....	423 77
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	50	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	6 45
Commissions.....	10 94	Commissions.....	29 66
	167 78		459 88
Town of Vienna.		Town of Washington.	
Cost of liquors.....	399 10	Cost of liquors.....	132 53
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	5 35	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	13 95
Commissions.....	27 93	Commissions.....	9 26
	432 38		155 74
Town of Whitefield.		Town of Winterport.	
Cost of liquors.....	1,462 38	Cost of liquors.....	821 39
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	35 70	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	11 15
Commissions.....	102 33	Commissions.....	57 48
	1,600 41		890 02
Town of Woodstock.		Town of Weston.	
Cost of liquors.....	36 80	Cost of liquors.....	26 20
Kegs, trucking, &c.....		Kegs, trucking, &c.....	2 80
Commissions.....	2 53	Commissions.....	1 83
	39 38		30 83
Town of Wellington.		Town of Webster.	
Cost of liquors.....	864 74	Cost of liquors.....	451 49
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	13 30	Kegs, trucking, &c.....	8 86
Commissions.....	60 52	Commissions.....	31 60
	938 56		491 95
Town of Waterville.			
Cost of liquors.....	2,599 27		
Kegs, trucking, &c.....	20 40		
Commissions.....	181 81		
	2,801 48		

Whole amount of sales.....\$100,311 70

Whole amount of commissions..... 6,806 48

\$107,118 18

Respectfully submitted,

EATON SHAW,

State Liquor Commissioner.

PORTLAND, December, 1872.