house shall not receive any female lodger into such house.

Exclusion of Persons of Improper Character.

32. A licensed keeper and every person employed in a licensed house shall not knowingly lodge, or knowingly harbour, any thief or reputed thief, any prostitute or reputed prostitute, or any other person of improper character.

Register of Lodgers, &c.

33. A keeper shall keep a register and shall enter therein the name, age, and nationality of every seaman lodger received into a house, the name of the last vessel from which such seaman lodger was discharged, and the port of discharge, with the name and port of registry of any vessel he may join while resident in such house, and his declared destination on leaving.

Scale of Charges.

34. A keeper shall put up or affix and keep up or affixed a copy of these Bye-laws in a suitable and conspicuous position in the common sittingroom of a house, in such a manner that the contents of such copy may be clearly and distinctly visible and legible, and shall enter upon the space left for the purpose at the foot of that copy, a scale of the charge per day for board, lodging, and necessaries, made in such house, and shall not make a higher charge than is provided by the scale on any pretence whatever.

Licence may be Suspended or Revoked.

35. Upon the Council being satisfied that ary licensed keeper has been guilty of a breach of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, or the Acts amending the same, or that such keeper has kept, or is keeping, or is allowing to be kept, a house in which drunkenness, gambling, or immoral or fraudulent practices prevail, or is or has been a party to such proceedings, or neglects to remove from such house any person of improper or immoral character who may have entered therein, or has failed, or is failing, to comply with these Bye-laws or any of them, the Council may suspend or revoke all licences granted to such keeper.

Officers not to be obstructed.

36. No person shall obstruct any officer or person engaged in securing the execution of these Bye-laws.

Penalty.

37. Every person offending against any of the foregoing Bye-laws, except where otherwise expressly provided, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence, and in the case of a continuing offence to a penalty of \pounds 3 for every day during which the offence may be continued after conviction for the first offence.

Date when Bye-laws come into force. £8. These Bye-laws shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 1901.

The seal of the London County Council was hereunto affixed on the 24th day of July, 1901.

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G. L. GOMME, Clerk of the Council.

Approved by the B and of Trade this 16th day of August, 1901.

> G. W. BALFOUR, President of the Board of Trade.

Scale exhibited pursuant to Bye-law No. 34 of charge per day made in this house, for board, lodging, and necessaries.

G. L. GOMME, Clerk of the London County Council.

Spring Gardens, S.W., 28th August, 1901.

South Metropolitan Gas Company.

(Scheme for the Election of Employees' Directors made under the provisions of the South Metropolitan Gas Act, 1896, and the South Metropolitan Gas Act, 1897.)

W HEREAS provision was made by Section 19 of the South Metropolitan Gas Act, 1896, authorising the Directors to prepare a scheme for the election of one or more Directors by the shareholding employees of the Company as follows:

Section 19.

- (1) "At any time after the total investments "of the employees of the Company in the "ordinary stock of the Company dating "from the distribution of the first profit-"sharing bonus in July one thousand eight "hundred and ninety shall exceed the "nominal amount of forty thousand pounds "of such stock the Directors of the Company "may as and when they deem expedient "prepare a scheme for the purpose of "enabling employees holding ordinary "stock of the Company to elect one or 'more of their number but not exceeding "three to be a director or directors of the 'Company."
- (2) "The scheme shall be submitted to a "special general meeting of the Company "duly called with notice of the business to "be considered thereat and the meeting "may adopt the scheme either without "alteration or with such alterations (not "being inconsistent with the provisions of "this Act) as the directors may assent to."
- (3) "The scheme so adopted shall be sub-"mitted for the approval of the Board of "Trade and that Board may consider the "same and may either approve the same "without alteration or may suggest any "alterations therein or may disapprove the "same and if the directors assent to the "alterations (if any) so suggested the "Board of Trade may approve the scheme "as altered."
- (4) "The scheme when approved shall be "published in the London Gazette and "(subject as hereinafter provided) shall for "the period of three years and no longer "from the date of such publication have "effect Provided that if at any time during "that period the amount of the investment "of the employees in the stock of the Com-"pany should fall below the nominal "amount of forty thousand pounds the "scheme shall cease to be in force."
- (5) "On the cesser of such scheme and sub-"ject to the provisions of this Act and to "the like submission adoption and approval "a new scheme may at any time be adopted "for any period that may be in that scheme "prescribed and so from time to time."
- (6) "The qualification of an employees' "director shall be fixed by the scheme for "the time being subject to the follow-"ing limitations. The employees' director "shall have been not less than seven years "in the constant employ of the Company "and shall have held for not less than "twelve months prior to the date of elec-"tion and shall continue to hold not less "than two hundred and fifty pounds "nominal value of the ordinary stock of "the Company."

(7) "The fees to be paid to an employees" "director for his attendance at the Board "shall be fixed by the scheme. The fees "shall bear some proportion to the amount "of the qualification not being less than his