Special election

of Worcester county shall determine by ballot, at a special election, to whom and under what circumstances license shall be granted for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors within the limits of said county.

Liquor license

Sec. 167. And be it enacted, That said special election shall be held in the several election districts of said county, on Tuesday the twenty-first day of April, in the year eighteen hundred and seventyfour, after three week's notice being given by the Sheriff, in the several newspapers of the county, of the time and purpose thereof; at which said election the ballots to be cast shall have printed or written on them in words and figures, "for the granting of license for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors," or "against the granting of license for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors," and the said ballots so cast immediately after said election, which shall open at nine o'clock A. M., and close at six o'clock P. M. on that day, shall be carefully counted by three judges appointed by the County Commissiours for each of said election districts, who shall within three days thereafter, make a written return under their hands and seals, of the number of ballots so cast, to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for said county, who shall cause the same to be recorded and statements of the same certified under his hand and seal of office, to be printed and published once in each of the newspapers of the county; and the expenses of said election including the printing of said ballots, the Sheriff notices, and the publication of the certified statements of the result by the clerk, shall be levied by the Commissioners of the county, and paid by the collector thereof.

Return

Not lawful to grant

SEC. 168. And be it enacted, That, whenever it shall appear by the returns of the Judges of said special election, that a majority of the whole number of votes taken at said special election, has been cast against the granting of license for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors, that then it shall not be lawful, from and after the first day of May, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, for any person or persons, firm or company, to sell directly or indirectly or give away at his, her or their places of business, any spirituous or fermented