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SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 1874.

LEEDS BREWSTER SESSIONS.

These Sessions were held on Thursday, at the Leeds Town Hall, before the Mayor (Ald. Marsden) and the following magistrates:—Aldermen Cowan, Lupton, and Lescoeur. Messrs. Rhodes, Turner, Ellershaw, Tennant, Cliff, and Nquer.

THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF CONSTABLE.—Mr. Thornton, the magistrates' clerk, read the report of the Chief Constable (Mr. James Wetherell). It was to the following effect:—"It is pleasing to reporting the decrease of the licensed victuallers and beer-house keepers has been generally good during the last year—the number of victuallers has gone down being less by the aggregate than in the previous year by nine houses. During the year 1873 there were 1,000 victuallers and beer-house keepers; 1,042 and 32. In 1872, licensed victuallers 14, beer-house keepers 27 total, 41. The offences against victuallers have been not so much numerous, and consist chiefly of informations for having intoxicating liquor on their premises when such premises ought by law to be closed, and unlawfully permitting drunkenness in their houses—one case is for supplying liquor to a constable when on duty. These complaints have been more frequent than for permitting drunkenness. The number of victuallers at present holding licenses is 985; beer-house keepers 55, total 1,040. Public consumption on premises, 455; persons licensed to sell beer, wine, and spirits for consumption off the premises, 585; and wines, beer on and off premises, 247; total, 1,067. The number of persons charged with being drunk in 1874 was 1,175, compared with 1,200 in 1873, and 1,170 in 1872