

## SALOONS MUST GO.

### The Block Between Ninth and Tenth, Main and Baltimore to Be Purged of Dramshops.

The board of police commissioners threw a bombshell into the camp of certain saloon keepers yesterday by announcing that in the future no saloon licenses would be granted in the block bounded by Ninth and Tenth streets, Main street and Baltimore avenue. All of the saloons in that block were licensed yesterday, but Secretary McGee was ordered to notify interested property owners that they need expect no licenses next January.

The board offered no explanation of this action, but it was given out that the members had determined that the saloons near the Junction, with their habitual horde of loafers, must be wiped out to the end that the general public be given a chance at the adjoining sidewalks. There are now seven saloons in full blast in the block mentioned, and if the board adheres to its decision of yesterday, the proprietors of these seven will be forced to close up.

The board held an exceedingly busy session, granting 310 licenses and refusing six applications. Among the places for which a license was refused was the saloon at Fifteenth street and Kansas avenue, operated by Scott Laird, in which Patrolman McGill was recently assaulted by a lot of tough stablemen, who had been terrorizing the neighborhood. Licenses were also refused Baird & Kurk, 2200 East Fifteenth street, Knowlen & Groom, 626 East Eighth street, B Krell, 2123 Vine street, Brangan & Bauer, 248 West Fifth street, and Charles Haug, 517 Wyandotte street.