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vehicle, when not receiving or discharging a load, to pass or stand upon a street or public alley without holding the reins in his hands, every such offender shall, for each offence, pay a fine of not less than two nor more than twenty dollars.

39. Any driver of a vehicle meeting any other vehicle in a street or public alley, shall seasonably drive to the right hand, so that each may pass the other without interference. And when in a street or public alley a vehicle is overtaken by any other vehicle, the driver of the former shall bear to the left, until the latter shall have passed. In no instance shall a driver of a carriage, wagon, dray or cart, stop the same in the middle of a street or public alley, or opposite to an intersecting street or alley, or upon any granite crossing, but he shall always stop the same as near to the sidewalk as he can without being on it. A driver violating this section in any respect shall, for each offence, pay a fine of not less than one nor more than ten dollars.

40. Any officer of the police of the city may order any vehicle standing in the streets to be removed as may seem to him most convenient for persons passing by. If a driver shall fail to obey such order, the owner of the vehicle shall pay a fine of five dollars.

41. For any offence against the thirty-sixth, thirty-seventh, thirty-eighth, thirty-ninth or fortieth sections of this ordinance, committed in the presence of any police officer of the city, he may arrest the offender and take him forthwith before the Mayor or some other justice of the peace. Such officer may pay twenty-five cents for the safe-keeping of the vehicle or animal during the absence of the driver or owner, and what is so paid shall be included in the costs, if any, recovered against the offender.

42. If any person engaged in any military exercise shall fire or discharge, in any street or public alley of this city, any cannon, gun, pistol, or any other firearms, except on the fourth of July, the twenty-second of February and the nineteenth day of October, or at military burial, or some extraordinary occasion allowed by the Mayor (and by him notified through the news-

papers, or by posting handbills or otherwise), or if any person shall, in any street or public alley in said city, play at bandy or throw snowballs, stones or other missiles, or discharge arrows from a bow or cross-bow, or blow a horn, he shall be fined not less than one nor more than ten dollars.

43. No person shall water any of the streets within the city, by or with a watering cart (except under the direction and supervision of the Committee on Streets Generally), nor without having first obtained written permission from the said committee, under a penalty of not less than one nor more than fifty dollars for each and every offence. No such permission shall be given for a longer period than one year at any one time, and the person obtaining it shall pay the regular license tax imposed on carts, and such rates for the use of water as may be imposed by direction of the Committee on Water.

44. The Committee on Streets Generally are hereby empowered so to regulate the width and height of the sidewalks of any streets, as shall in their judgment be most conducive to the convenience and interest of the city.

45. When the proprietor of a lot adjoining a sidewalk shall hereafter, at his own cost, pave such sidewalk or put down curbstone thereupon, in the manner approved by the Committee on Streets Generally, a draft may, at such time as hereinafter mentioned, be drawn in favor of such proprietor, by the chairman of said committee; and the Auditor, on such draft, shall pay him such sum as may appear by an estimate of the Engineer of the city, thereto annexed, to be at the date of said draft the fair value to the city of said curbstone and of said pavement. The draft on account of the pavement shall not be drawn until the curbstone is put down, or the sidewalk paved on so much of the length of the street on which the sidewalk is, as is between the two nearest intersecting streets.

46. Doors to a cellar shall not extend on a sidewalk more than five feet; and whenever a cellar door is made or repaired (whether the cellar be old or new), the construction thereof shall be such that the door or doors when closed shall be level