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§ 2530. Any person who shall seduce, and have illicit connection with any female child, under the age of sixteen years, of previous chaste character, shall, upon conviction, be imprisoned in the penitentiary, not more than ten years: *provided*, that the testimony of the female seduced, alone, unsupported by other evidence, either positive or circumstantial, shall not be sufficient for conviction.

ARTICLE XIII.

DUELING AND CHALLENGING TO FIGHT.

§ 2531. Every person, who shall challenge another to fight a duel, or who shall send, deliver, or cause to be delivered, any written or verbal message, purporting or intended to be such challenge, or who shall accept any such challenge or message, or who shall, knowingly, carry or deliver any such message or challenge, or who shall be present, at the time of fighting any duel with deadly weapons, either as second, aid or surgeon, or who shall advise or give assistance to such duel, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not less than three hundred dollars, nor exceeding one thousand dollars, or be imprisoned, not less than six months, in the county jail, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

§ 2532. If any person shall give or accept such challenge, or knowingly carry or deliver such challenge, or the acceptance thereof, or be second of either party to any duel, such person shall, on conviction, be incapable of holding or being elected to any post of honor, profit or emolument, civil or military, under the constitution and laws of this state; and the appointment of any such person to office, as also all votes given to any such person, are hereby declared illegal, and none of the votes given to such person, for any office, shall be taken or counted.

§ 2533. If any person shall send, deliver, or cause to be sent or delivered, any challenge, written or verbal, in this state, to any person to fight a duel out of this state, or shall leave this state to fight a duel out of the same, or shall accept such challenge out of this state, and shall leave this state for the purpose of fighting a duel, or if any person shall leave this state for the purpose of sending, accepting or bearing a challenge, or the acceptance thereof, to fight a duel, or shall knowingly bear any challenge, or be concerned as second, aid or surgeon of either party, without this state, the person so offending shall be deemed as guilty, and shall be subject to the like punishment, as is provided in the preceding sections.

§ 2534. If any person shall be guilty of fighting in any village, city, town or other public place, and shall, in such fight, use any rifle, shot-gun, sword, sword-cane, pistol, dirk, bowie-knife, dirk-knife, or any

other deadly weapon, or if any person shall be second or aid in such fight, the person so offending shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars, or shall be imprisoned, not less than three months, or punished by both such fine and imprisonment; and if any person shall be killed in such fight, the person so killing the other, may be prosecuted and convicted, as in other cases of murder.

§ 2535. If any person shall offend against any of the provisions of this article, such person shall be a competent witness against any other person offending in the same transaction, and may be compelled to appear and give evidence, in the same manner as other witnesses; but the testimony so given, shall not be used in any prosecution or proceeding, civil or criminal, against the person so testifying.

ARTICLE XIV.

ELECTIONS—FRAUDS AND DISTURBANCES AT.

§ 2536. If any person shall unlawfully disturb any election for any public office in this state, such person shall be liable to indictment, and on conviction, may be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars, and imprisoned, not exceeding six months, or both; and if the returning officer shall willfully fail to report to the district attorney any offender against the provisions of this section, he shall be liable to indictment, and on conviction, may be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars.

§ 2537. Any person who shall vote at any election, not being legally qualified, or who shall vote in more than one county, or at more than one place in any county, or in any city or town, entitled to separate representation, or who shall vote for members of the board of supervisors, justice of the peace or constable, out of the district in which he resides, shall be liable to indictment, and, on conviction, shall be fined, not exceeding two hundred dollars, or be imprisoned in the county jail, not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

§ 2538. If any member of a board of registration, inspector or clerk of any general or special election, or any returning officer, attending the same, shall knowingly make or consent to any false entry on the poll-list of votes, put into the ballot-box, or shall permit to be put in any ballot not given by a voter, or shall take out of such box, or permit to be so taken out, any ballot deposited therein, except in the manner prescribed by law, or shall, by any other act or omission, designedly destroy or change the ballots given by the electors, he shall, upon conviction, be forever disqualified to hold any office, or place of trust or profit, under the laws or constitution of this state, excluded from suffrage, and punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary, for a term not exceeding five years.