

ACTS

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

PASSED AT THE

REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH
WAS BEGUN AND HELD IN THE CITY OF FRANK-
FORT ON MONDAY, THE FIRST DAY
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subject, and that shall be expressed in its title, nor shall any ordinance be altered or amended, but may be repealed; before general ordinances shall take effect and be enforced, the same shall first be published by posters or otherwise.

Board may prescribe oaths, bonds, &c., of officers.

May appoint board of health.

May provide prison, poor-house, work-house, & station-house, & govern same.

May prohibit stock from running at large.

May make police regulations.

May abate nuisances.

May prohibit manufacture of explosive substances.

May provide fire apparatus.

§ 6. Said board shall have power to prescribe by ordinance the duties, oaths, and bonds of all officers of the city; they may, when deemed necessary, appoint a board of health, and may confer thereon all the power at their command necessary for the prevention or abatement of malignant, contagious, or dangerous diseases; and they may provide a pest-house in which they may have persons placed who are infected with such diseases, subject to such regulations as they may prescribe. To provide and control a city prison; erect or procure suitable buildings for a poor-house, work-house, and police station, and may appoint the necessary officers to manage and supervise the same; apartments shall be provided and kept distinct, wherein the infirm and indigent shall be placed apart from vagrants and persons confined for the commission of crime. To prohibit hogs, cattle, and other animals from running at large in the streets or public places of the city. To provide means for the suppression of tippling-houses, gambling-houses, hawdy-houses, or houses of ill-fame, unauthorized lotteries, policy offices, and such other houses as are the common resort of idle, dissolute, and disorderly persons; for the suppression of riots, disturbance of religious assemblies, or of the public peace, clamors in streets or public places, and indecent or licentious conduct, and the suppression of every thing of an unlawful character. They shall have power to cause the removal or abatement of any nuisance on private property within the limits of said city, and to proceed, after due notice, to remove or abate the same at the cost and expense of the owner or occupant thereof, including penalties and costs, when said owner or occupant shall fail to comply with such ordinances as said board may adopt in relation thereto; and said expenses, penalties, and costs shall constitute a lien upon such property, and may be enforced in a court of competent jurisdiction as other liens are enforced: *Provided*, That said expense of said removal or abatement shall not exceed twenty-five per cent of the value of said property, to be estimated after the work is done. To prohibit the manufacture of gun-powder or other explosive, dangerous, or noxious compounds or substances in said city, and to regulate their sale and storage by license. To provide, maintain, and control steam fire engines, hose, hose-carriages, horses, harness, buildings for, and all appurtenances necessary to constitute an efficient fire department, and to employ the

requisite number of men to manage and operate the same, who may be vested with police powers when deemed expedient by said board. To construct, maintain, and operate gas and water-works, and to pass all ordinances necessary to regulate the same, provided that no existing contract shall be affected thereby. To establish and regulate markets, market-houses, and market spaces, wharves, landings, &c., and to fix the rates for the use and occupancy thereof. To have exclusive control of, establish, regulate, and change the grade of all streets, lanes, alleys, side-walks, wharves, and all public thoroughfares and grounds within the limits of said city; to widen or extend the same, and to open new streets, &c., when the same shall become necessary for the benefit of the public. To prohibit the erection of wooden buildings when permanent buildings may be endangered thereby, and require every person to obtain a permit before they shall erect any building in said city. To provide for the indexing of streets, and for the numbering of houses, vehicles, &c., and to prescribe fines and penalties for failure to comply therewith.

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May maintain markets, market-houses, wharves, &c.

May change grade and widen streets, &c.

May prohibit erection of wooden buildings.

May index streets, number houses, vehicles, &c.

May levy & collect taxes.

§ 7. Said board shall also have power to cause to be annually levied, collected, and paid into the city treasury, an ad valorem tax on the real, personal, and mixed estate within the limits of said city subject to taxation by the city under the laws of the State, except as hereinafter provided. Said tax shall not exceed two dollars on each one hundred dollars' valuation, at a fair cash value, upon every class or description of property. Merchants and others paying a license or specific tax on their business or calling shall be exempt from an ad valorem tax thereon: *Provided*, That nothing in this section, or any other section of this act, shall be construed to abrogate or modify a contract between the city of Newport and Col. James Taylor, made January 28th, 1869, or to repeal or modify an act, entitled "An act to extend the limits of the city of Newport," approved March the 4th, 1869, chapter seventeen hundred and forty, enacted in pursuance of said contract.

§ 8. They shall have power to provide by ordinance for the following annual specific taxes or licenses, to be paid into the city treasury, by those doing business in said city, and who do not pay an ad valorem tax thereon, and to prescribe the penalties for doing business without the required licenses:

May license and tax as follows.

Manufacturers, merchants, and dealers in goods, wares, or merchandise of whatever kind, not to exceed one thousand dollars.

Manufacturers, &c.

Each tavern, hotel, coffee-house, club room, or any other establishment, wherein malt, fermented, vinous, or

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