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CHAPTER 519.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 169 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, "OF MASTERS, APPRENTICES AND LABORERS."

Passed May 28,
1885.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. No minor under sixteen years of age, and no woman shall be employed in laboring in any manufacturing establishment more than ten hours in any day, except when it is necessary to make repairs to prevent the interruption of the ordinary running of the machinery, or when a different apportionment of the hours of labor is made for the sole purpose of making a shorter day's work for one day of the week; and in no case shall the hours of labor exceed sixty in a week. Every employer shall post in a conspicuous place in every room where such persons are employed, a printed notice stating the number of hours work required of them on each day of the week; and the employment

Ten hours per day to be limit of labor for minors and women.

Notice to be posted.

of any such person for a longer time in any day than so stated, shall be deemed a violation of this section, unless it appears that such employment is to make up for time lost on some previous day of the same week in consequence of the stopping of machinery upon which such person was employed or dependent for employment.

Penalty.

SEC. 2. Every person who wilfully employs, or has in his employment, or under his charge any person, in violation of the provisions of the preceding section, and every parent or guardian who permits any such minor to be so employed, shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence. A certificate of the age of a minor, made by him or by his parent or guardian, at the time of his employment in a manufacturing establishment, shall be conclusive evidence of his age upon any trial of any person other than the parent or guardian for a violation of the preceding section.

Certificate of
age of minor.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on and after the first day of January, 1886.

CHAPTER 520.

Passed May 28, 1885. AN ACT TO REGULATE THE STORAGE, KEEPING AND SALE OF FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

Of licenses for
sale, etc., of fire-
works in city of
Providence.

SECTION 1. No person shall keep or sell any fireworks in the city of Providence, without first having obtained from the board of aldermen of said city a license therefor, signed by the clerk of said board, upon which shall be printed a copy of the rules made by said board relative to the storage, keeping and sale of fireworks in said city.

Of rules, etc.,
relative to stor-
age, sale, etc.,
of fireworks.

SEC. 2. Said board of aldermen are hereby authorized, from time to time, to make rules and regulations relative to the storage, keeping and sale of fireworks in said city, and, in their discretion, to grant or refuse

to grant license to keep and sell fireworks in said city.

SEC. 3. Every license so granted shall continue in force for such length of time as said board of aldermen may determine, not longer, however, than the municipal term of office of the board granting the same: *Provided*, however, that the said board of aldermen may, at any time, revoke any such license.

License, term and revocation of.

SEC. 4. Every person licensed by said board of aldermen, as aforesaid, shall pay to the clerk of said board for such license the sum of two dollars for the use of said city.

Fee for license.

SEC. 5. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, or any of the rules and regulations established by said board of aldermen, shall pay a fine of twenty dollars for each offence.

Penalty.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect on its passage, and chapter 312 of the Public Laws, passed January, 1873, is hereby repealed.

Act repealed.

CHAPTER 521.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 108 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, "OF ANIMALS GOING AT LARGE."

Passed May 28, 1885.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 108 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. If any horse, neat-beast, sheep or hog shall be going at large in any highway or common, or on any land thrown open as a way for public travel and used by the public for travel, any freeholder or qualified elector or field driver may, and every surveyor of highways of the town within which such animal is at large shall take up such animal and impound the same in one of the public pounds of said town; and every such surveyor may appoint in writing a deputy or deputies for that purpose, filing in the office of the town clerk a copy of such appointment."

Animals going at large to be impounded.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Of animals grazing on highway, etc.

"SEC. 2. Every horse, neat-beast, sheep or hog which shall feed or graze upon any highway or common, or on any land thrown open as a way for public travel and used by the public for travel shall be deemed to be going at large."

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 522.

Passed May 28, 1885. AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 258 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, "OF THE MILITIA."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Section 17 of chapter 258 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Active militia, number of companies of.

"SEC. 17. In time of peace the active militia of this state shall consist of not more than twenty companies of infantry and heavy artillery, two companies of cavalry and one battery of light artillery of four guns, and two machine gun detachments or platoons."

SEC. 2. Section 31 of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Machine guns.

"SEC. 31. There may be attached to the brigade one or more machine guns which shall be placed in charge of such detachments or platoons as may be organized by the commander-in-chief; such detachments or platoons to consist each of one officer with the rank of second lieutenant and not to exceed nine enlisted men."

CHAPTER 523.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 258 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, "OF THE MILITIA."

Passed May 28,
1885.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Section 83 of chapter 258 of the Public Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"SEC. 83. There shall be devoted annually so much time to target practice as shall be directed by the commander-in-chief, and such target practice shall be conducted at such time and upon such system and regulation as shall be prescribed by him. The quartermaster-general shall furnish such ammunition as he shall be directed by the commander-in-chief for this purpose, to be drawn by the inspector of rifle practice, or by the commanding officer of each company."

Target practice
of militia.

SEC. 2. Section 84 of said chapter 258 is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"SEC. 84. All encampments shall be held upon such grounds as shall be ordered by the commander-in-chief, and the use of such grounds shall be paid for by the state, on contracts to be approved by the adjutant-general and quartermaster-general."

Encampment
grounds.

SEC. 3. Section 95 of said chapter 258 is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"SEC. 95. Within ten days after any duty specially ordered by the commander-in-chief, and on the last day of the annual encampment, the commanding officer of each company shall cause to be prepared two muster-rolls and two muster and pay-rolls, which rolls shall accurately specify the names of those members of his command who performed and of those who failed to perform duty, armed, uniformed and equipped, upon each separate day, and the number of horses actually employed in such duty. The words with horse shall be placed against the name of, any officer, non-commissioned officer, musician or private, who shall have been required to be mounted and who was mounted on the days for which such rolls shall be made. Such rolls shall be sworn to before a justice of the peace or notary

Muster and pay-
rolls, when and
how to be pre-
pared.

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public by said commanding officer and approved by the regimental or separate battalion commander. The said rolls shall be retained and forwarded as follows: one muster and pay-roll shall be retained at the headquarters of the regiment or separate battalion, one muster-roll shall be retained at brigade headquarters, and one muster-roll and one muster and pay-roll shall be forwarded to the adjutant-general, after being approved by the brigade commander. The adjutant-general shall transmit the muster and pay-rolls received by him to the paymaster-general within five days after his reception thereof."

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 524.

Passed May 28, 1885. AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 242 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES, ENTITLED "OF OFFENCES AGAINST PRIVATE PROPERTY."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Explosive materials to be plainly marked.

SECTION 1. Every person who shall knowingly deliver or cause to be delivered to any person or carrier any box, can or other package of nitro-glycerine, gunpowder, naptha or other equally explosive material, not marked with a plain and legible label describing its contents, or who shall remove or cause to be removed any such label or mark, shall be fined not more than ten thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than five years.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.