

DIGEST OF THE ORDINANCES

— OF THE —

CITY OF NASHVILLE,

— TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED THE —

STATE LAWS INCORPORATING, AND RELATING
TO, THE CITY, WITH AN APPENDIX CON-
TAINING VARIOUS GRANTS
AND FRANCHISES.

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CHAPTER 11.

MISDEMEANORS.

I. DEFINITION OF MISDEMEANORS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THIS CHAPTER.

Section 733: Definition and penalty.

733 (719). Whoever shall be convicted of a misdemeanor under any of the provisions of this chapter shall forfeit and pay the city a sum not less than three nor more than fifty dollars, unless otherwise provided. The word "misdemeanor," as used in this chapter, is not employed in its ordinary legal sense, but with a view to bring under a general head the offenses hereafter specified.

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734 (714). Whoever shall, in this city, set up or keep any gaming-table or gambling device, at which any game of chance shall be played for money or property, or any thing

representing money or property, or shall, at any such table or device, or at any game of chance, bet, win, or lose money or property, either in specie or by means of any thing representing the same, or shall suffer any such table or device, at which any game of chance is played, to be set up or used in any tenement in his possession or under his control, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

735 (737). No person or persons shall erect or establish any gaming-table, wheel of the description commonly called or known by the name of the "wheel of fortune, equality, black and red," or of any other name or denomination whatever, within the limits of the corporation, under the penalty of fifty dollars for every twenty-four hours or less period such gaming-table or wheel be kept up.

736 (738). If any tavern-keeper or other householder within the limits of this corporation shall suffer or permit any of the before-mentioned gaming-tables or wheels to be erected, established, or kept in his, her, or their house, he, she, or they, so offending, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars for every twenty-four hours, or any less period, which he, she, or they shall suffer or permit such gaming-table or wheel to be erected, established, or kept up; *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to extend to backgammon boards.

737 (739). If any person or persons shall, at any time, in any tavern, ordinary or licensed house of entertainment, or grocery, within the corporation, or in any house attached thereto, or upon the lot or premises whereon such licensed house is or may be situated or erected, win or lose money, or any thing of value, at cards or any other game of hazard and address, every such person shall, on conviction thereof, forfeit and pay not less than five nor more than fifty dollars; and if any tavern-keeper, ordinary-keeper, or grocery-keeper shall suffer or permit any person or persons to lose money or any thing of value at any time in his, her, or their house, or on his, her, or their premises, at any game or games whatsoever, knowing the same, shall forfeit and pay for every such offense not less than five nor more than fifty dollars.

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738 (742). Every person found carrying a pistol, bowie-knife, dirk-knife, slung-shot, brass knucks, or other deadly

weapon, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction of such first offense, shall be fined from ten to fifty dollars, at the discretion of the court; but, upon conviction of every such subsequent offense, shall be fined fifty dollars; *Provided, however,* That no ordinary pocket-knife and common walking canes shall be construed to be deadly weapons.

739 (743). It shall be the duty of every police officer who sees any person or persons with, or knows of any person carrying such deadly weapons, to immediately arrest every such person, that they may be dealt with according to the provisions of this section.

740 (744). It is expressly understood that the provisions of the above sections, relating to carrying such deadly weapons, do not extend to police or other officers, or persons that are entitled by law to carry such deadly weapons; nor does it extend to the act of handling or moving such deadly weapons in any ordinary business way.

741 (704). All pistols, knives, and other weapons, the carrying of which upon the person is unlawful, which may be found upon the persons of individuals arrested by the metropolitan police, shall be seized by the captain of the metropolitan police, and shall be retained by him and forfeited to the Mayor and City Council, and shall, in no case, be returned to the individual from whom the same was taken, or to any one claiming the same.

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742 (727). Any person or persons who shall keep within the limits of this corporation a house of ill fame, or who shall willfully permit any house owned by him, her, or them to be kept in a disorderly manner, viz.: a house to which men resort for the purpose of criminal intercourse with lewd women, such person or persons shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars for such offense, and a like sum for every day such house may be so continued or kept; and it is hereby declared to be a sufficient evidence of such person or persons