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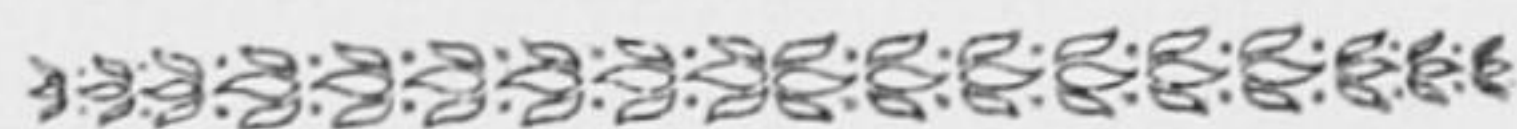
OF THE



City of Johnstown, Pa.,

EMBRACING

City Charter,
Act of Assembly of May 23,
1889, for the Government of
Cities of the Third Class,
General and Special Ordinances,
Rules of Select and Common
Councils and Joint Sessions.



without warrant. Provided, however, that the city shall not be responsible for the pay or allowance of such special policemen, but the salary or compensation shall be paid or adjusted by the person or corporation requesting their appointment.

And provided, further, that the city shall not be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of such policeman, but the person or corporation by whom he is employed shall be responsible in any and every case where if said policeman was a regular policeman of the city, the city would be liable for the action or negligence of such policeman.

Approved April 16, 1890.

GENERAL ORDINANCE No. 2.

An Ordinance Providing for the Security of Persons and Property of the Inhabitants of the City of Johnstown; the Preservation of the Public Peace and Good Order of the City, and Prescribing Penalties for Offenses Against the Same.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, etc.*, That any person or persons who shall be engaged in fighting, quarreling, or otherwise creating disturbance within the limits of the city shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than one hundred dollars with costs.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall on any public street, alley, square, or public grounds, within the limits of the city, willfully discharge any gun or firearm—excepting in necessary defense of self or property—or shall wantonly throw any metal, stone, brick, bullet, or other missile, or who shall willfully explode any torpedo, bomb, fire-cracker, or fire-works in any place on either public or private grounds, or on the street corners or alleys, shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than fifty dollars with costs.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall willfully raise any false alarm of fire or without reasonable cause for alarm, by loud outcries, create a tumult or cause the assemblage of people on the streets, shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than twenty-five dollars with costs.

SEC. 4. All persons are prohibited from standing, lounging, or loitering upon the sidewalks in front of or near to any of the churches in the city during the time of holding any services or meetings therein, or in any wise preventing or obstructing the free ingress and egress of any person in attendance thereat, or from standing or loitering in groups or crowds upon the sidewalks, street-crossings, or bridges within the city, in such a way

as to prevent the full and free use of the sidewalks, street-crossings, and bridges by persons passing along and over the same, and it shall be the duty of the police to disperse any crowds or assemblies whenever so found at said churches or on any of the sidewalks, street-crossings, or bridges, and all persons who shall refuse to disperse when notified by a policemen or constable, shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than twenty-five dollars with costs.

SEC. 5. Any person who shall be engaged in horse racing, or shall willfully ride or drive any horse, mare, gelding, or mule at a faster rate than a mile in five minutes in or through any of the public squares, streets, alleys, or over any of the bridges in the city, shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than twenty-five dollars with costs.

SEC. 6. If any person shall without a license, hawk, vend, or sell upon any street, alley, square, or public grounds of the city any patent medicine, patent, or any other goods, wares, merchandise, article, or thing in such manner as to collect a crowd or assembly of people, such person shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than ten dollars or more than fifty dollars with costs for each offense.

SEC. 7. Any person or persons who shall refuse upon an occasion of fire to disperse when so directed by the fire marshal or any policeman, or who shall interfere with any fireman or any police officer while in the discharge of his duty or in the dispersion of idle, disorderly, or suspicious persons, shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than two dollars or more than ten dollars with costs.

SEC. 8. Any person who shall with wagon, sled, sleigh, or other vehicle, horse, mule, or other animal, willfully stop upon a public crossing of any street so as to prevent the free and full use of such crossing by pedestrians, or who shall ride or drive his horse, mule, or other animal upon, along, or across any sidewalk in the city, except when going directly across the same to a lot or yard, or when authorized by a building permit so to do, shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than ten dollars with costs. Provided that this section shall not be held to apply to the temporary stopping of the street cars to receive and discharge passengers on crossings.

SEC. 9. Any person who shall coast or slide with a hand sled down, along, or across any sidewalk in the city, or shall ride a bicycle or tricycle, or draw any wagon, hand-cart, sled, or other vehicle—except children's carriages or the wheel-chairs used by a cripple or invalid—down, along, or across any sidewalk in the limits of the city shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than five dollars with costs.

SEC. 10. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons within the limits of the city to set up, maintain, open, or conduct

any tippling shop, house of prostitution, gambling house, or place where gaming, cock-fighting, dog-fighting, or any immoral show or exhibition or disorderly conduct or unlawful game or practice is conducted or permitted, and any person convicted of any of the offenses named in this section shall pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars or more than one hundred dollars with costs, and a like fine for each day the same is continued or maintained after the imposition of the first fine together with the costs.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the police to arrest any person or persons who shall be engaged within the limits of the city in any game, play, or amusement or in any other desecration of the Sabbath day, commonly called Sunday, and any person convicted of a violation of this section shall pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than twenty-five dollars with costs.

SEC. 12. No person shall willfully carry concealed upon his or her person any pistol, razor, dirk or bowie-knife, black jack, or handy billy, or other deadly weapon, and any person convicted of such offense shall pay a fine of not less than five dollars or more than fifty dollars with costs.

SEC. 13. If any person shall willfully make an indecent exposure of his or her person, or while naked bathe in either of the streams within the limits of the city, between sunrise and half-past eight o'clock p. m., every such person shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than two dollars or more than ten dollars with costs.

SEC. 14. It shall be the duty of the police at all times to apprehend without a warrant, upon view, and commit for hearing any person guilty of a breach of the peace, riotous, or disorderly conduct, or drunkenness, or who may be engaged in the commission of any unlawful act tending to imperil the personal security or endanger the property of any citizen, and all suspected night-walkers, malefactors, vagabonds, vagrants, rogues, or professional thieves and tramps who may be found upon the streets, alleys, corners, sidewalks, or public places, or persons gathered in disorderly assemblies on the streets or in drinking saloons, gaming houses, or houses of prostitution; any and all such above described persons as shall be convicted of any of the offenses, matters, or things in this section, shall pay a fine of not less than one dollar or more than one hundred dollars with costs.

SEC. 15. Any person who shall in any manner interfere with or obstruct any constable, policeman, or other officer or any person acting under the authority of the city or mayor in the discharge of his duties or making an arrest under the peace ordinance of the city, or who shall resist or hinder or obstruct any city officer, policeman, or constable in the execution of any precept, or the enforcement of any ordinance, shall upon conviction pay a fine of not less than ten dollars or more than one hundred dollars with costs.

SEC. 16. When in case of any public disorder the mayor shall require the closing of bars or establishments where liquors are sold, any person shall neglect or refuse to close or shall open before the time appointed for opening the bar, or shall sell during the period fixed by the mayor for keeping the bars closed, liquors of any kind, the party so offending shall upon conviction pay a fine of one hundred dollars with costs.

SEC. 17. It shall be the duty of any policeman or constable of the city, in case any of the offenses mentioned in this ordinance or committed in his view, to promptly arrest, without warrant, the person or persons engaged therein, but in case the party shall escape or he shall not have view of the same, but has reliable information of offenses being committed, and cannot procure an information to be made by some responsible citizen, it shall be the duty of such policeman to report the matter to the mayor or nearest alderman, with the names of the witnesses, in order that an information may be made upon which a warrant shall issue for the arrest of the person or persons who may be so charged.

Approved April 16, 1890.

GENERAL ORDINANCE No. 3.

An Ordinance Directing the Mode of Imposing and Collecting Fines and Penalties for Violation of the Ordinances of the City of Johnstown and Providing in What Cases and Where Imprisonment Shall be Inflicted and in What Cases a Sentence of Hard Labor May be Imposed.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, etc.,* The mayor shall have full jurisdiction, power, and authority to recover by summary conviction the fines and penalties imposed in all cases of violation of the ordinances of the city relating to the peace and good order of the city, and in all cases where the offender may be arrested on view and without warrant by the policeman; in all other cases, where penalties are imposed, by penal action or such proceedings as are or may be directed by law for the recovery of penalties for violation of city ordinances. Fines, penalties, and forfeitures for violation of the city ordinances may also be recovered before any alderman of the city in the manner prescribed by law.

SEC. 2. In default of payment of any fine or forfeiture, the person or persons so convicted shall be committed to the city prison or the common jail of Cambria County for a period not exceeding thirty days. Provided, that upon the conviction of any person or persons of being a vagrant, keeping a tippling shop or house of prostitution or gambling house, or place where gaming,