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SEC. 1620. Every person who shall, on the Christian Sabbath or Sunday, be engaged in any horse-race, or the running of any single horse, for any bet or wager on the speed of such horse, or for pastime, or for amusement, without any bet or wager; or shall be engaged in any cock-fight, on any bet or wager, or for pastime, without bet or wager, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, nor less than twenty dollars. *Rev. Stat., chap. 44, div. 7, art. 2.*

SEC. 1621. Every person who shall, on the Christian Sabbath or Sunday, be engaged in any game of brag, bluff, poker, seven-up, three-up, twenty-one, vintun, thirteen cards, the odd trick, forty-five, whist, or at any other game at cards known by any name now known to the laws, or with any other new name, for any bet or wager on such games, or for amusement, without any bet or wager, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars (t). *Act Jan. 12, 1853.*

SEC. 1622. If any person shall be found hunting with a gun, with intent to kill game, or shooting for amusement on the Sabbath day, on conviction thereof he shall be fined in any sum not less than five nor more than twenty-five dollars for each separate offense. *Act Jan. 19, 1855.*

SEC. 1623. If such offense should be committed by a minor, under the age of twenty-one years, and it shall be made appear that the offense was committed by or with the consent or approbation of the parent or guardian of said minor, then such parent or guardian, as aforesaid, shall also be fined, according to the provisions of section 1622. *Ib., sec. 2.*

XLV.—DISTURBING RELIGIOUS CONGREGATIONS— INJURING CHURCHES, ETC.

SECTION

1624. Disturbing congregation defined; penalty.

1625. Malicious injury to church, etc.

SECTION

1626. Selling spirits within one mile of camp-ground.

1627. Exception.

SECTION 1624. If any person shall maliciously or contemptuously disturb or disquiet any congregation or private family, assembled in any church or other place for religious worship, or persons assembled for the transaction of church business, by profanely swearing, or using indecent gestures, or threatening language, or committing any violence of any kind to or upon any person so assembled; or by using any language, or acting in any manner, that is calculated to disquiet, insult, or interrupt said congregation, he shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars. *Rev. Stat., chap. 44, div. 7, art. 3, sec. 1, and act Jan. 10, 1857.*

SEC. 1625. If any person shall willfully and maliciously injure or destroy any church, meeting-house, or camps on any camp-ground used for public worship, or any furniture appertaining thereto, upon conviction thereof he shall be fined in any sum not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars; and in addition to

(t) It is not necessary, in an indictment under this section for playing cards on Sunday, to allege that the game was played for amusement, or that the defendant bet upon the game. *Stockden v. The State*, 18-186.