

ORDINANCES
OF THE CORPORATION OF,
AND
ACTS OF ASSEMBLY

RELATING TO
THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:

CHRONOLOGICALLY ARRANGED,

WITH

A DIGESTED INDEX.

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1821. was received, under the penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every such neglect or offence, to be sued for, recovered and disposed of in the manner hereinbefore mentioned.

Penalty. **SECT. VIII.** No pawnbroker shall sell any goods, articles or thing, pawned or pledged, until the same shall have remained twelve months in his or her possession; within which time such goods, articles or thing, shall be delivered, on application made by the owner thereof, or his or her legal representative, provided such applicant shall surrender the duplicate, certificate or note, and pay the sum originally loaned, with the interest and charges that may have accrued thereon. And such goods, articles or thing, that shall remain unredeemed at the expiration of the time before mentioned, shall be sold at public auction, and not otherwise, after five days notice of the time and place of sale and the kind of goods, first given in one or more public newspapers, printed in the said city; and the surplus money, if any, arising from the said sale, after deducting the amount of the loan, the interest and charges then due on the same, and the expenses of the advertisement and sale, shall be paid over by the pawnbroker to the person who would have been entitled to redeem the pledge, in case no such sale had taken place. And if any pawnbroker shall be guilty of any offence in violating the provisions of this section, such pawnbroker shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of fifty dollars, to be sued for, recovered and disposed of in the manner hereinbefore mentioned.

Pledges re-deemable within a year on certain terms.

If unredeemed, to be sold after notice.

Penalty.

A SUPPLEMENT

To an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance for the suppression of nuisances, and enforcing useful regulations within the city of Philadelphia," passed 9th July 1821.

Penalty on throwing squibs, &c., in the streets, &c. **SECT. I.** If any person shall throw, cast or fire any squib, rocket or other fire-works in or into any of the streets, lanes or alleys of the city of Philadelphia, every such person shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of five dollars.

On firing guns in the streets or from houses. **SECT. II.** If any person shall fire off or discharge, wantonly and without any reasonable cause, any gun, pistol, fowling-piece or other fire-arms, at any place or from any house within the city of Philadelphia, or in any of the streets, alleys or highways of the said city, such person shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of five dollars.

On permitting guns, &c. to be fired from houses, &c. **SECT. III.** If any person shall allow or permit any person to fire off or discharge at or from his or her house in the said city, any gun, pistol or other fire-arms, every such person shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of five dollars.

On making bonfires. **SECT. IV.** If any person shall make or assist to make any bonfire, or wantonly or unnecessarily burn any shavings or other combustible matter in any of the public streets, alleys, wharves or squares in the said city, every such person shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of five dollars.

SECT. V. From and after the passing of this ordinance it shall **1821.**
 not be lawful for any goat to go at large in the streets, lanes, alleys Goats not to
 or public squares of the city, nor in the state-house yard; and if run at large.
 any goat shall be found going at large as aforesaid, it shall be law-
 ful for any constable of the city, or other person authorized by the
 mayor for this purpose, to seize the said goat, and having first To be seized
 obtained permission from the mayor, to sell the same at public auc- and sold.
 tion, giving twenty-four hours notice thereof in one or more of the
 daily newspapers; and the proceeds of sale, after deduction of costs
 and expenses, shall go, one half to the use of the person taking up
 such goat, and the other half to the use of the city; and the owner
 of every goat so found at large, shall be liable to a penalty of ten dol- Penalty to
 lars, to be recovered before the mayor, recorder or any alderman of the owners.
 the city, [one half for the use of the person prosecuting, and the
 other half] to the use of the city.

SECT. VI. If any person shall fly any kite in any of the streets, Penalty on
 lanes, alleys or public squares in the said city, every such person flying kites.
 so offending shall forfeit and pay for every such offence, the sum
 of one dollar.

SECT. VII. [Supplied.]

SECT. VIII. The city commissioners are hereby authorized and Stands for
 required to appoint and prescribe, as soon as conveniently may be, wagons and
 and from time to time as occasion may require, such and so many carts to be ap-
 stands for wagons and carts, within the said city, as to them shall pointed by
 appear necessary; to which stand or stands, the owner or driver of city commis-
 any wagon or cart, used for the conveyance of goods, for hire or sioners.
 pay, within the said city, shall proceed with such wagon or cart,
 and horse or horses thereto attached, when the same are not em-
 ployed.

SECT. IX. If any owner or driver of any such wagon or cart, Penalty on
 as aforesaid, shall keep his wagon or cart, when not employed, wagons
 standing in any other part of the streets or alleys of the said city, standing
 than those prescribed as aforesaid, or when at said stand or stands, otherwise
 shall not place or arrange his wagon or cart, and horse or horses than direct-
 thereto attached, in the manner directed by the said city commis- ed.
 sioners, such owner or owners, or driver, shall forfeit and pay for
 every such offence, the sum of one dollar.

SECT. X. If any person or persons shall own or drive any Penalty for
 wagon, cart or dray, employed in transporting articles within the owning or
 said city, for hire or pay, without having the wagon, cart or dray driving wa-
 used by him or them for that business, duly numbered and entered gons or carts
 in the manner prescribed in the ordinance, entitled "An ordinance used for hire,
 for the regulation of the owners and drivers of hackney-coaches, without
 wagons, carts and drays within the city of Philadelphia," passed numbering.
 on the 16th day of April, 1812, or without having obtained a cer-
 tificate thereof from the city clerk, as in the said ordinance directed,
 such owner or driver, as often as such wagon, cart or dray shall be
 in any of the streets, lanes or alleys of the said city, employed or
 ready to be employed as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay for every
 such offence the sum of five dollars.

1821. **SECT. XI.** If any person shall place, or cause to be placed in any of the streets of the city of Philadelphia, any advertisement or handbill, exposed to the view of persons passing in the said streets, giving notice of any person professing to cure, or having, or professing to have skill in the cure of any disease, or of the sale of any medicine; every such person or persons shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of five dollars.

SECT. XII. Each and every fine, forfeiture and penalty, imposed by this ordinance, not otherwise provided for, shall and may be sued for and recovered, with costs of suit, before the mayor, recorder, or any alderman of the said city, and [one-half of] every such fine, forfeiture or penalty, so recovered as aforesaid, shall be appropriated to the use of the said city, [and the other half thereof shall belong and go to the use of the person who shall sue for and recover the same, in the manner aforesaid.]

AN ORDINANCE

Concerning the paving of private lanes, courts and alleys, in the city of Philadelphia, and the removal of nuisances from the same, passed 9th August, 1821.

SECT. I. Whenever the board of health shall make known to the city commissioners, that any private lane, court or alley, within the city, is a nuisance, and requires to be regulated and paved, or whenever the city commissioners shall be satisfied of the same by their own observation, it shall be their duty forthwith to give notice, in writing, to the owners or occupiers of the houses, tenements or lots, having the use and privilege of such lane, court or alley, or to the agent of such owners, that unless the said nuisance be removed, and the said lane, court or alley, be regulated and paved within six weeks after such notice, the city solicitor will be directed to cause prosecution to be instituted against such owners, occupiers or agents, for the nuisance complained of; and in case such notice be disregarded, the city commissioners shall, at the expiration of the said six weeks, report the same to the city solicitor accordingly, with the facts and circumstances necessary to such prosecutions, which he shall institute and bring to trial without delay.

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the management of John Scott's legacy, passed 22d November, 1821.

SECT. I. [If "the Philadelphia society for promoting agriculture,"] shall appoint a committee of its members to award the premiums intended by the last will of the said John Scott, to be awarded and paid out of the interest of the four thousand dollars of the three per cent. funded debt of the United States, bequeathed