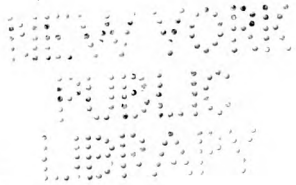


THE
ORDINANCES
OF THE
CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.



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AN ORDINANCE to establish and regulate the Fire Department and for the prevention and extinguishment of fires.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of New Brunswick, as follows :

ARTICLE I.

OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 1. The fire department of the city of New Brunswick shall consist of one chief engineer, two assistant engineers, and such engine men, hose men and hook and ladder men as may be approved by common council.

SEC. 2. The chief engineer and the assistant engineers, together with the foremen and assistant foremen of the several fire engine, hook and ladder and hose companies, shall constitute and be called the board of engineers of the fire department. A majority of such board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and no resolution or order of the board shall be adopted unless with the consent of a majority of all the members thereof: they shall have power to meet on their own appointment, or whenever the chief engineer shall call a meeting; they may adopt such rules and regulations for their own government, the united action of the several companies, and the well ordering of the fire department, as they may deem advisable, and which are not inconsistent with the laws of the state or the ordinances of the city, subject to the approval of the common council.

SEC. 3. The chief engineer and assistant engineers shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year, and shall be annually appointed by the common council upon the nomination of the members of the fire department; which nomination shall be made at an election to be held yearly, at the City Hall, on the first Monday in April, between the hours of

ARTICLE V.

GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR THE PREVENTION OF FIRES.

Penalty for not obeying orders of chief engineer.

SEC. 28. It shall be the duty of the chief engineer, when required so to do by any citizen, to examine all fire places, chimneys, stoves, and the pipes thereof, and also all depositories of ashes or other place from which danger of fire may arise; and upon finding them, or any of them, dangerous or defective, he shall give such order, in writing, to the owner or occupant of the premises, as the nature of the complaint may require; and any person who shall neglect or refuse to obey such order for the period of twenty-four hours, shall be liable to a fine of two dollars, and a further fine of two dollars for every twenty-four hours' neglect thereafter.

Hay and straw to be kept in brick stables.

SEC. 29. No person shall put or keep any hay or straw in any stable or other building, in this city, not built of stone or brick, and covered with a metallic, slate, or earthen roof, or in any dwelling house whatever; or shall put, or cause to be put, on any premises within one hundred feet of any building not built of brick or stone, and covered with such roof as aforesaid, not being his or her own premises, any pile or stack of hay, straw or shavings, or shall suffer any such pile or stack to remain on his or her own premises, and within one hundred feet of any building not built of brick or stone, and covered with such roof as aforesaid, after five o'clock in the afternoon of any day, the said hay, straw or shavings, not being at the time in a building built of brick or stone, and covered with such roof as aforesaid; or shall put or keep any pile or stack of hay, straw or shavings within twenty-five feet of any chimney, hearth or fire place, under the penalty of five dollars for each offence, and a further penalty of five dollars for every five days' neglect or refusal to comply with the provisions of this section.

Penalty.

Lighted lamps not to be taken into any barn or stable unless in lantern.

SEC. 30. No person shall take or use in any barn or stable, or other place or building where hay, straw, or other combustible materials shall be kept, any lighted candle or lamp, or

any burning light of any kind whatsoever, unless the same be well secured in a lantern, under the penalty of five dollars for each offence.

SEC. 31. No person shall kindle a bonfire or other fire, nor furnish the materials for any fire, nor in any way authorize or allow any fire to be made in any street, avenue, road, lane or alley within the line of buildings of this city, nor within half a mile thereof, under the penalty of ten dollars for each offence.

Bonfires not to be kindled in the streets.

SEC. 32. No person shall knowingly raise or continue to raise a false alarm of fire within the city; and no person, not a member of the fire department, shall open or assist in opening any of the fire engine, hook and ladder or hose houses, or shall drag or assist in dragging any fire apparatus through any of the streets of the city at a time when such person or persons know the alarm of fire to be false, under the penalty of ten dollars for each and every offence.

False alarms.

SEC. 33. No person or persons shall store or keep at any time within half a mile of the line of buildings of this city, more than thirty pounds of gunpowder; and if at any time hereafter a greater quantity shall be found deposited in the same building, the owner or occupant, as the case may be, of the building in which the same shall be discovered shall be liable to a fine of ten dollars; *provided always*, that powder deposited in a magazine built for that purpose, according to the act of the legislature of this state, shall not be considered as coming within the provisions of this ordinance; and the chief of police shall inquire and make complaint of all breaches of this section of this ordinance.

Gunpowder, where to be kept.

Penalty.

Provide.

SEC. 34. From and after the passage and publication of this ordinance, all barns and stables which shall be built within the line of buildings of the said city shall be built of brick or stone, and covered with metallic, slate, or earthen roofs, and it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to build any barn or stable within the line of buildings of the said city in any other manner than aforesaid; and any person or persons who shall build or construct, or cause to be built or construct-

Barns and stables to be built of brick or stone.

ed, any barn or stable within the line of buildings of the said city, of different materials from those hereinbefore in this section prescribed and set forth, or who shall enclose or cause to be enclosed with wood the frame of any barn or stable now erected or hereafter to be erected within the line of buildings of the said city; or who shall cover or cause to be covered any barn or stable within the line of buildings of the said city with a roof of different materials from those hereinbefore in this section prescribed and set forth, shall, for each and every offence, be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or imprisonment in the jail of the county of Middlesex not exceeding thirty days, or both, at the discretion of the court before which the conviction may be had, together with the costs of conviction.

Penalty.

Repealer

SEC. 35. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

PASSED, June 20, 1864.

APPROVED, June 22, 1864.

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the Collection of Taxes.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of New Brunswick, as follows :

Tax notices,
how to be
made out.

SECTION 1. The collectors of the several districts of the city of New Brunswick shall hereafter, in issuing their tax cards, or notifications of taxes, observe the following form :

———— DISTRICT.

NEW BRUNSWICK, ———, 18

M ——— ———

Your taxes for the year 18 are now due and payable.

Your real estate is assessed at \$

personal estate is assessed at \$

Total, \$