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AN ORDINANCE

CREATING THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, DEFINING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF HEALTH COMMISSIONER, AND FIXING HIS COMPENSATION.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Rock Island.

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the office of Commissioner of Health, who shall have the management of all matters and things pertaining to health. He shall hold his office for the term of two years and until his successor shall be appointed and qualified.

SECTION 2. Said Commissioner shall be appointed by the Mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the City Council, on the first Monday in January, 1884, or as soon thereafter as may be, and biennially thereafter; and vacancies in office caused by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by like appointment for the residue of the term. Said Commissioner, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall execute a bond to the City of Rock Island in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) with such sureties as the City Council shall approve, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of said office.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the said Commissioner, at all times, to see that all business is conducted with due regard to the public health and comfort, and to report in writing to the Mayor, all delinquencies in that respect, and to request the revocation of any license which he may deem necessary for the proper preservation of the public health or comfort, and he shall have and exercise a general supervision over the sanitary condition of the city, and have full power to use all measures in his opinion necessary to promote the health of the residents of the city, and shall have power to remove any assistant or employee as provided hereinafter, at his pleasure.

SECTION 4. During the inability or absence of the Commissioner of Health, the City Marshal shall act as such Commis-

sioner; and he and the police force of the City shall serve all notices and render all such assistance to said Commissioner in the discharge of his duties as he may require, and they shall report to him all nuisances which they may detect, and they shall investigate all complaints of nuisances which may be reported to them, and report the same to the Commissioner, if in their judgment they are nuisances.

SECTION 5. The Commissioner of Health shall give to the Mayor and other city authorities all such professional advice and information as they may require, with a view to the preservation of the public health; and whenever he shall hear of the existence of any malignant, contagious or pestilential disease, he shall investigate the same, and adopt measures to arrest its progress.

SECTION 6. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Health to enforce all the laws of the state and ordinances of the city in relation to the sanitary regulations of the city, and cause all nuisances to be abated with all reasonable promptness. And for the purpose of carrying out the foregoing requirements he shall be permitted at all times from the rising to the setting of the sun, to enter into any house, store, stable or other building, and to cause the floors to be raised if he shall deem it necessary, in order to a thorough examination of cellars, vaults, sinks or drains; and to cause all privies to be cleaned and kept in good condition, and to cause all dead animals or other nauseous and unwholesome things or substances to be buried or removed or disposed of as the Commissioner of Health direct.

SECTION 7. In order to the carrying out of the provisions of the foregoing section, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Health to serve a notice in writing, upon the owner, occupant or agent of any lot, building or premises in or upon which any nuisance may be found, or who may be the owner or cause of such nuisance, requiring them to abate the same in such manner as he shall prescribe, within reasonable time; Provided, that it shall not be necessary in any case for the Commissioner to specify in his notice the manner in which any nuisance shall be abated, unless he shall deem it advisable so to do; and such notice may be given or served by any officer of the city who may be directed or deputed to give or make the same; and if such owner, occupant or agent shall neglect or refuse to comply with the requirements of such order within the time specified, they shall be subject to a fine of not less than five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars for

every such violation, and it shall be the duty of the said officer to proceed at once, upon the expiration of the time specified in said notice to cause such nuisance to be abated; And Provided further, that whenever the owner, occupant or agent of premises, in or upon which any nuisance may be found, is unknown or cannot be found the said Commissioner shall proceed to abate the same without notice; and in either case the expense of such abatement shall be collected from the person or persons who may have created, continued and suffered such nuisance to exist.

SECTION 8. It shall be the further duty of the Commissioner of Health to visit and examine, or cause to have visited and examined, all sick persons who shall be reported to him as laboring, or supposed to be laboring, under any yellow fever, small pox, cholera, or any infectious or pestilential disease, and cause all such infected persons to be removed to such safe and proper place or places as he may think proper, not exceeding three miles from said city, and cause them to be provided with suitable nurses and medical attendance, at their own expense if they are able to pay for the same, but if not, then at the expense of the city.

SECTION 9. It shall be the further duty of the Commissioner of Health to cause a notice, printed or written in large letters, to be placed upon or near any house in which any person may be affected or sick with small pox, scarlet fever, or any infectious, pestilential or epidemic disease, upon which shall be written, or printed, the name of such disease; and if any person or persons shall deface, alter, mutilate, destroy, or tear down such notice, without permission of the Commissioner of Health, such person or persons shall be liable, for each offense, to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars; the occupant of any house upon which such notice shall be placed or posted as aforesaid, shall be held responsible for the removal of the same, and if the same shall be removed without permission of the Commissioner of Health, such occupant shall be subject to the like fine of not less than twenty five dollars, nor more than fifty dollar, unless he shall notify the Commissioner of Health within twelve hours after such removal.

SECTION 10. The Commissioner of Health shall have charge of all houses, buildings or places wherever he may cause to be removed any persons laboring, or supposed to be laboring under any yellow fever, small pox, cholera, or any infectious or pestilential disease, and shall have power to em-

ploy such assistants and nurses as he may deem necessary, and it shall be his duty to see that such houses, buildings or places are supplied with suitable furniture, nourishment, fuel and medicines, and that persons dying therein, or in other places under the charge of the city, are decently and promptly buried at the expense of the city. Provided, such deceased persons have not the means to defray their own expenses of sickness and burial.

SECTION 11. In case of pestilence or epidemic disease or of danger from anticipated or impending pestilence or epidemic disease, or in case the sanitary condition of the city should be of such a character as to warrant it, it shall be the duty of the said Commissioner of Health to take such measures, and to do, and order, and cause to be done, such acts for the preservation of the public health (though not herein, or elsewhere, or otherwise authorized), as he may, in good faith declare the public safety and health to demand.

SECTION 12. The Commissioner of Health may take such measures as he may, from time to time deem necessary to prevent the spread of the small pox, by issuing an order requiring all persons in the city, or any part thereof requiring vaccination, to be vaccinated within such time as he shall prescribe; and all persons refusing or neglecting to obey such order shall be liable to a fine of not less than three nor more than twenty-five dollars; Provided, that it shall be the duty of the Commissioner to provide for the vaccination of such persons as are unable to pay for the same, at the expense of the city.

SECTION 13. He shall have power to cause any house or any premises to be cleaned, disinfected, or closed to visitors, and prevent persons from resorting thereto while any person is laboring under any pestilential or infectious disease; he may, by an order in writing, direct any nuisance to be abated, or unwholesome matter or substance, dirt or filth, to be removed from any house or premises, and may prescribe the time and mode of doing so, and take any measures he may deem necessary and proper to prevent the spread of any infectious, pestilential or epidemic disease; and any person who shall neglect or refuse to obey the orders, directions and instructions of said Commissioner of Health shall be fined in any sum not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

SECTION 14. Said Commissioner, whenever, and at such times as by him it shall be deemed necessary, may, by proc-

lamation (the approval of the Mayor being first had and obtained), require all boats, vessels, railroad cars or other public conveyances bound for this city, before the same shall land or stop at any wharf, depot or landing, or stopping place therein, to touch or stop at any or either of the sites, places or boundaries so selected and established for quarantine purposes, and leave all such emigrants, travelers or persons, and all such sick, diseased or unclean persons, with their stores and baggage, as in the opinion of the officers stationed at such quarantine sites, places or boundaries, shall be deemed proper on account of the existence or general report of cholera, yellow fever or any contagious disease, or diseases apprehended to endanger the health of the city.

SECTION 15. He shall also cause to be stationed at such quarantine sites, places and boundaries as he may deem advisable, one or more physicians or health officers, whose duty it shall be to go on board and examine all boats, vessels, cars, or other public conveyances, so as aforesaid required to touch or stop at said quarantines respectively, and then and there determine what emigrants, passengers or persons (if any) shall be permitted to come to the city, and what emigrants, passengers or persons (if any) shall stop at such quarantine; and it shall be the duty of all persons conducting or in charge of any such vessel, boat, car or public conveyance, to aid and assist any such physician or health officer in the exercise of his duties.

SECTION 16. Said physicians or health officers shall attend to all sick persons who may be landed or placed in quarantine, and provide medicines and necessaries for their use, and shall have general supervision of such quarantines, and compel persons therein to purify their bodies, clothes and baggage, and do all such acts and things as shall be proper in the premises, keeping correct accounts of all expenditures and wages which shall be allowed and paid by the order of the Commissioner.

SECTION 17. Whenever the physician or officer in charge of any quarantine station or place, as aforesaid, shall, upon examination, be satisfied that there is no longer occasion for the detention of any boat, vessel, car, or conveyance, at such quarantine or place, and such boat, vessel, car, or conveyance, shall have been thoroughly cleansed, and such persons as aforesaid, landed and placed in the care of such physician or officer, such physician or officer shall give such vessel, boat, car, or conveyance, a permit, signed by him, to enter the city,

which shall be ample authority for the entry of said boat, vessel, car, or conveyance, and the said officers respectively, shall discharge all persons in quarantine by their certificate for that purpose, whenever they are satisfied that such persons are free of disease and their baggage and effects properly purified; Provided, however, that the Commissioner in his discretion, by proclamation for that purpose, may, during the prevalence of cholera, small pox, or other contagious or fatal disease, forbid the admission of emigrants or others peculiarly liable thereto, into any or all of said quarantines or stations, until, in his opinion, the health of the city will justify the same.

SECTION 18. It shall be the duty of the Mayor to furnish said Commissioner, whenever by the said Commissioner it shall be deemed necessary to keep at the quarantine station or stations a sufficient police force, whose duty it shall be to enforce all regulations by this ordinance required, or by said Commissioner to be established, and to arrest all persons violating said regulations or committing any breaches of the peace, and bring such persons before any court having jurisdiction for trial, and to arrest and hold for trial all persons disobeying or interfering with, or resisting, any physician, health officer, or other person in authority at such quarantine site, place or station.

SECTION 19. In case any boat, vessel, car, or public conveyance, shall leave any quarantine station, place or boundary, without a permit, as aforesaid, or shall fail to stop at the same, when so, as aforesaid, required by the issuing of the said proclamation, or whenever the person in charge thereof, or any person under his command, shall fail or refuse to obey any regulation or command of the said Commissioner of Health, physician or person in charge of any quarantine station or place, or of any provision or requirement of this ordinance, the said Commissioner shall have the power, and it is hereby made his duty, if in his opinion the health of the city requires it, to send sufficient police force to such boat, vessel, car, or public conveyance, and cause the same, with the crew and passengers on board, to be landed, or stopped, or conveyed to the quarantine station or place, and there to remain until properly discharged by the permit aforesaid; and the owner, master, or the person in charge of any such boat, vessel, car, or public conveyance, shall be liable to the city for all expenses and costs incurred by reason thereof. If any emigrant, traveler, or person, so placed in quarantine as

aforesaid, shall leave the same without permission, as aforesaid, he may be arrested and taken back to said quarantine and there retained until such permission shall be given.

SECTION 20. The said Commissioner shall make such rules and regulations for the government of the quarantine or health of the city, as, from time to time, he shall deem necessary; and the physicians or health officers in charge of any quarantine station or place shall have power to make and enforce such regulations as may be necessary for the proper conducting and management thereof; and it shall be the duty of the persons in quarantine and all agents, officers, policemen, or others employed by the city in and about said quarantine stations or places, to carry out and obey the same.

SECTION 21. The said Commissioner, by and with the approval of the City Council, may appoint one or more competent physicians as quarantine physicians, who shall be present at such quarantine stations as the Commissioner of Health shall designate, and attend to all the duties imposed by this ordinance or by the regulations of said Commissioner; also the said Commissioner may employ such agents, servants, nurses or temporary medical assistants, for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects and intents of this ordinance, or of any regulation, as in his judgment shall from time to time be necessary, or authorize the employment thereof by the physicians or health officers in charge of any quarantine place or station.

SECTION 22. All the salaries, wages and expenses in this ordinance contemplated, except the salary of the Commissioner of Health, are to be audited by said Commissioner, and when so audited are to be paid out of the Health fund of the city; Provided, that when practicable, the persons taken in such quarantine, or stations, and receiving the aid and care afforded thereby, shall pay a sum of money sufficient to meet expenses, labor and care incurred in his behalf, which said money shall be faithfully kept, reported and accounted for by the physician, health officer, or other person, in charge of said quarantine or station, to the said Commissioner.

SECTION 23. No person, master, captain, or conductor, in charge of any boat, vessel, railroad car, or public conveyance, shall knowingly bring into this city, any person or persons diseased of cholera, small pox, yellow fever, or contagious or communicable disease whatsoever; and no vessel, boat, railroad car, or public conveyance, at any time covered by said proclamation, shall pass by any quarantine station or place

without stopping, nor shall leave the same without the permit aforesaid; and no person stopping in said quarantine, or so, as aforesaid, received therein, shall leave the same without first obtaining permission as aforesaid; nor shall any person aid or abet any master, conductor, or person, in charge of any boat, vessel, railroad car, or public conveyance, in violating, neglecting, or evading, any provision or requirement of this ordinance; nor shall any person interfere with, resist, neglect or refuse to obey the orders of any physician, health officer, policeman, or other person, in authority at any quarantine station, or place of quarantine, so, as aforesaid established; nor do any act or thing in violation of, or in disobedience to, any of the provisions, clauses or sections of this ordinance; nor shall commit any breach of the peace, or do any act calculated in any way to defeat or interfere with the provisions or requirements of this ordinance, or of any regulation of the said Commissioner, physician or officer in charge of said quarantine.

SECTION 24. Any master of a vessel, conductor, captain, or person, who shall violate any clause, provision, requirement, duty or regulation of this ordinance, or of any rule or regulation of the said Commissioner, physician or health officer, in charge of any quarantine, or who shall fail or neglect to comply with any such clause, provision, requirement, duty or orders, or who shall interfere with, or in any manner resist any officer or agent of the city in the discharge of his duty, as herein contemplated, or who shall commit any breach of the peace, or be guilty of any act or thing calculated to defeat or interrupt the carrying into effect any part of this ordinance, or any regulation of the said Commissioner, shall, in cases where no other penalty is provided, on conviction, pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

SECTION 25. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Health to make a circuit of observation once in every week, to every part of the city and its environs, which, from its location, or from any collateral circumstances, may be deemed the cause of disease; and in all cases, where he may discover the existence of any agent, the presence of which will prove dangerous to the city, and there is no ordinance competent to the correction of the evil, he shall immediately report the same to the City Council accompanied with his opinion of the necessity of extraordinary or particular action.

SECTION 26. The Commissioner of Health, by and with

the approval of the City Council, may select, purchase, lease and establish such sites, places and boundaries for quarantine stations and purposes, and for the care of persons laboring or supposed to be laboring under any yellow fever, small pox, cholera, or any infectious or pestilential disease, and with the approval of said Council, may erect, from time to time, such buildings and hospitals upon such sites and places, and so keep the same in repair, as in his judgment shall be deemed necessary.

SECTION 27. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Health to provide the necessary books for the keeping of a record of all his transactions, including the proper registration of births and deaths and such other statistical information as may be necessary; and he shall also keep on hand all necessary blanks to be used by physicians and midwives, and furnish them with the same on application.

SECTION 28. Said Commissioner of Health shall always have on hand, as far as practicable, a sufficient quantity of vaccine virus; and he shall vaccinate and re-vaccinate, without charge, all persons who may apply to him for that purpose, and are unable to pay for the same; and shall give certificates of vaccination to children who have been vaccinated, and require certificates from physicians for admission to the public schools.

SECTION 29. The said Commissioner of Health shall have the control of all the expenditures, on account of the collection and removal of ashes, offal, garbage and swill; Provided, that the expenditures for the purposes aforesaid, shall not exceed the amount previously appropriated therefor by the City Council.

SECTION 30. Said Commissioner of Health shall annually, on or before the first day of May, send to the City Clerk, a full and comprehensive statement of all matters pertaining to his office during the year, and of all expenditures from appropriations for the health department, together with an estimate in detail of the appropriations required by the department during the next municipal year.

SECTION 31. The said Commissioner of Health is hereby given full power and authority the same as any police officer of said city to arrest any person or persons who may have violated any ordinance of the city of Rock Island.

SECTION 32. The said Commissioner of Health shall fix upon a time and place, not less than one hour in each day, except Sundays and legal holidays, when he can be found at

his office for the purpose of hearing complaints and discharging any and all duties that his office may impose upon him.

SECTION 33. As a full compensation for the discharge of the duties of his office, as the same are or may be defined by law or by any ordinance of the city of Rock Island, now or hereafter in force, the said Commissioner of Health shall receive the sum of fifty (\$50) per month.

SECTION 34. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to bury any body or bodies of any person or persons within the corporate limits of said city, or to deposit such body or bodies in any vault within the limits of said city.

SECTION 35. No dead body of any person shall be taken from said city for interment by any undertaker, or other person, until a permit therefor from the Commissioner of Health shall have been granted, nor shall any sexton or other person having the charge of any cemetery or place for the burial of the dead, within one mile of the limits of said city, receive any such body for burial unless such permit shall have been granted.

GENERAL SANITARY REGULATIONS.

1. That no owner, lessee, or keeper, of any tenement-house, lodging-house, boarding-house, or manufactory, shall cause or allow the same to be over-crowded, or cause or allow so great a number of persons to dwell, be, or sleep, in any such house, or any portion thereof, as thereby to cause any danger or detriment to health.

2. Every such building shall be provided with good and sufficient water-closets or privies, and shall have proper doors, traps, soil pans and other suitable works and arrangements, so far as may be necessary to insure the efficient operation thereof.

3. Every tenement or lodging-house shall have the proper and suitable conveniences or receptacles for receiving garbage and other refuse matter. No tenement, or lodging-house, nor any portion thereof, shall be used as a place of storage for any combustible article, or any article dangerous or detrimental to health; nor shall any horse, cow, calf, swine, pig, sheep, or goat, be kept in said house.

4. Every tenement or lodging house, and every part thereof, shall be kept clean and free from any accumulation of dirt, filth, garbage or other matter, in or on the same, or in the yard, court, passage, area or alley, connected with or be-

longing to the same. The owner or keeper of any lodging-house, and the owner or lessee of any tenement house, or part thereof, shall thoroughly cleanse all the rooms, passages, stairs, floors, windows, doors, walls, ceilings, privies, cess-pools and drains thereof, of the house, or part of the house, of which he is the owner or lessee, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Health, so often as shall be required by or in accordance with any regulation or order of said Commissioner.

5. The owner or keeper of any hotel, boarding-house, or lodging house, and the owner, agent of the owner, and the lessee of any tenement house, or part thereof, shall, whenever any person in such house is sick of fever, or of any infectious or pestilential or contagious disease, and such sickness is known to such owner, keeper, agent, or lessee give immediate notice thereof to the Commissioner of Health, and thereupon said officer shall cause the same to be inspected, and may, if found necessary, cause the same to be immediately cleansed or disinfected at the expense of the owner, in such manner as he may deem necessary and effectual; and he may also cause the blankets, bedding and bed clothes used by such sick person to be thoroughly cleansed, scoured and fumigated, or in extreme cases to be destroyed.

6. Whenever it shall be decided by the Commissioner of Health that any building, or part thereof, is unfit for human habitation, by reason of its being so infected with disease, or from other causes, as to be likely to cause sickness among the occupants, and notice of such decision shall have been affixed conspicuously on the part thereof so decided to be unfit for human habitation, and personally served upon the owner, agent or lessee, if the same can be found in the state, requiring all persons therein to vacate such building or part thereof, for the reasons to be stated therein as aforesaid, such building or part thereof shall, within ten days thereafter, be vacated, or within such shorter time, not less than twenty-four hours, as in said notice may be specified.

7. That every agent, or other person, having the charge, control or management, or who collects or receives the rents of any lands, premises or other property in the city, shall disclose the name or names of the owner or owners of such land, premises or property, or the name or names of the person or persons for whom such agent or other person is acting, upon application being made therefor by the Commissioner or any of his agents.

8. That no person or persons shall throw, place or deposit, or cause to be thrown, placed or deposited any dung, carrion, dead animal, offal, or putrid or unwholesome substance, or the contents of any privy, upon the margin or banks or into the waters of the Mississippi river within the limits of said city, or upon any public grounds, or upon any lot within the limits of said city.

9. That no person shall permit or have any offensive water, or other liquid or substance, on his premises or grounds to the prejudice of life or health, whether for the use in any trade or otherwise; and no establishment or place of business for tanning, skinning or scouring, or for dressing hides or leather, or for carrying on any offensive or noisome trade or business, shall hereafter be opened, started or established in the city of Rock Island, without a permit from the Council. And every such establishment now existing shall be kept cleanly or wholesome, and be so conducted in every particular as not to be offensive or prejudicial to life or health.

10. That no swill, brine, urine of animals, or other offensive animal substance, nor any stinking, noxious or other filthy matter of any kind, shall, by any person, be allowed to run or fall from out of any building, vehicle or erection into or upon any street or public place, or be taken or put therein save as herein elsewhere provided.

11. That no butcher's offal or garbage, nor any dead animals, nor any putrid or stinking animal or vegetable matter shall be thrown by any person, or allowed to go into any street, place, sewer or receiving basin, or into any standing or running water or excavation, or upon any ground or premises in the said city.

12. That no person shall draw off, or allow to run off into any ground, street or place of said city, the contents (or any part thereof) of any vault, privy, cistern, cesspool or sink; nor shall any owner, tenant or occupant of any building to which any vault, privy, or cesspool, shall appertain or be attached, permit the contents, or any part thereof, to flow therefrom, or to rise within two feet of any part of the top, or said contents to become offensive; nor shall any privy or other erection in this section mentioned be filled with or covered with dirt till its filthy contents shall be emptied.

13. That no person shall throw into or deposit in any vault, sink, privy, or cesspool, any offal, ashes, meat, fish, garbage or other substance, except that of which any such place is the appropriate receptacle; nor shall any slops or kitchen

waste be permitted to run into any privy or cesspool, except the same be connected with the sewer.

14. That neither the contents of any such tub, or of any receptacle, cesspool, privy, vault, sink or water-closet, cistern, nor anything in any room, excavation, vat, building, premises or place, shall be allowed to become a nuisance so as to be dangerous or prejudicial to health.

15. That no part of the contents of any privy, vault, sink, cesspool, except substances other than excrements insoluble in water, or any accumulation of any offensive fluid, liquid or semi-liquid substance or material, being in any excavation, cellar, or place, within the limits of the city of Rock Island, shall be removed therefrom, nor shall the same be transported through any of the streets or avenues of said city, unless and except the same shall be removed and transported by means of an air-tight apparatus, or in such a manner as shall prevent entirely the escape of any noxious or offensive odors therefrom.

16. That no part of the contents of or substances from any sink, privy, or cesspool, nor any manure, ashes, garbage, offal, rubbish, dirt, nor any refuse or waste, or thing which, by its decomposition, could or would become offensive to human beings, or detrimental to health, or create or tend to create a nuisance, shall be by any person thrown, deposited or placed upon any street or public place, nor upon any vacant lot of land, or vacant place upon the face of any land, within the city of Rock Island, whether such lot be enclosed or otherwise, without the written permission of the Commissioner of Health, nor shall any of said substances be allowed by any person to run or drop from the premises occupied by such person into or upon any street or public place, nor upon any vacant lot of land, or vacant place upon the surface of any lot of land in said city, nor shall the same be thrown, deposited or placed, by any person, nor allowed to fall or run from the premises occupied by such person into the river, save through the proper underground connections.

17. No person shall throw, drop or allow to fall into the river, or into any street or place, any substance being, or having been, part of the contents of any such vault, cesspool, privy, sink, tub, or receptacle, or any offal.

18. That no meat, fish, birds or fowl, or vegetables, nor any milk, not being then healthy, fresh, sound, wholesome and safe for human food, nor any meat or fish that died by disease or accident, shall be brought within said city, or of-

ferred or held for sale as such food anywhere in said city.

19. That no calf, pig, or lamb, or the meat thereof, shall be bought, held or offered for sale as such food in said city, which at the date of its death (being a calf) was less than four weeks old; or (being a pig) was, when killed, less than five weeks old: or (being a lamb) was, when killed, less than eight weeks. Nor shall any meagre, sickly or unwholesome fish, birds, or fowl, be bought, held, sold or offered for sale as such food in said city.

20. That no cattle shall be killed for human food while in an overheated, feverish or diseased condition; and all such diseased cattle in the city of Rock Island, and the place where found and their disease, shall be at once reported to the Commissioner of Health by the owner or custodian thereof, that the proper order may be made relative thereto

21. That no decayed or unwholesome vegetables shall be brought into said city, to be consumed or offered for sale for human food, nor shall any such articles be kept or stored therein.

22. That no person, being the manager or keeper of any saloon, boarding-house, or lodging-house, or being employed as a clerk, servant or agent thereat, shall therein or thereat offer or have for food or drink, or to be eaten or drank, any poisonous, deleterious or unwholesome substance, nor allow anything therein to be done or to occur prejudicial to health.

23. That no cased, blown, plaited, raised, stuffed, putrid, or unwholesome meat or fish, bird or fowl, shall be held, bought or sold, or offered for sale for human food, or held or kept in any place in said city.

24. That no meat, fish, vegetables, or milk, or unwholesome liquid, shall knowingly be bought, sold, held, offered for sale, labelled, or any representation made in respect thereof under a false name or quality, or as being what the same is not as respects wholesomeness, soundness or safety for food.

25. That every person being the owner, lessee, or occupant of any room, stall or place where any meat, fish, or vegetables, designed or held for human food shall be stored or kept, or shall be held or offered for sale, shall put and keep such room, stall and place and its appurtenances in a clean and wholesome condition; and every person having charge, or being interested, or engaged, whether as principal or agent, or in respect to the custody or sale of any meat, fish, birds, fowl, or vegetables, designed for human food, shall put and preserve the same in a clean and wholesome condition,

and shall not allow the same or any part thereof to be poisoned, infected or rendered unsafe or unwholesome for human food.

26. That no butcher or dealer shall keep in any market any refrigerator or ice-box, unless the same shall be lined with lead or some proper substance so as to be water-tight, nor unless the same be provided with a pipe of lead, zinc or copper leading therefrom to the proper waste pipe.

27. That it shall be the duty of every person knowing of any fish, meat, fowls, birds, or vegetables, being bought, sold or offered or held for sale, as food for human beings, or being in any market in said city, and not being sound, healthy or wholesome for such food, to forthwith report such facts and the particulars relating thereto, to the Commissioner of Health or to one of his officers or inspectors.

28. That no person shall, without consent of the Commissioner of Health, bring into said city for use as a drink for human beings, or offer or have for sale in said city as such drink, any poisonous or deleterious liquid.

29. If any person shall expose for sale in any place in said city, any emaciated, tainted or putrid meat, or provisions, which, from these or other causes, may be deemed unwholesome, such person shall, on conviction, be fined not less than five nor more than two hundred dollars for each and every offense, and it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Health to forthwith seize and confiscate all such meat and provisions.

30. That no person shall have at any place where milk, butter or cheese is kept for sale, nor shall at any place sell or deliver or offer or have for sale or keep for use, nor shall any person bring or send to said city, any unwholesome, skimmed or watered or adulterated milk, or milk known as "swill milk," or milk from cows or other animals that for the most part have been kept in stables or that have been fed on swill, or milk from sick or diseased cows or other animals, or any butter or cheese made from any such milk or any unwholesome butter or cheese.

31. That no cattle shall be kept in any place of which the water, ventilation and food are not sufficient and wholesome for the preservation of their health, safe condition and wholesomeness of food.

32. That every person shall cause every stable and place where any cows, horses or other animals may be, to be kept at all times in clean and wholesome condition, and shall not

allow any animal to be therein while infected with any disease, contagious or pestilential among such animals, without a permit from the Commissioner of Health.

33. That the keeping and slaughtering of all cattle, and the preparation and keeping of all meat and fish, birds and fowl shall be in that manner which is or is generally reputed or known to be best adapted to secure and continue their safety and wholesomeness as food.

34. That every butcher and every person owning, leasing or occupying any place, room or building where any cattle have been or are killed or dressed, and every person being the owner, lessee or occupant of any room or stable where any cattle may be kept, and having power and authority so to do, shall cause such place and their yards and appurtenances, to be thoroughly cleansed and purified, and all offal, blood, fat, garbage, refuse and unwholesome or offensive matter to be therefrom removed at least once in every 24 hours after the use thereof for any of the purposes herein referred to.

35. That no cattle shall be slaughtered, dressed or hung, or the meat or any part thereof within said city, wholly or partly within any street, avenue or sidewalk or public alley or place; nor shall any blood or dirty water or other substance for such cattle, meat or place of killing or the appurtenances thereof, be allowed to run, fall or to be in any such street, avenue, sidewalk, alley or place.

36. That neither the business of slaughtering cattle, nor the keeping of any slaughter-house, shall be begun or undertaken at any new or additional place within the City of Rock Island except pursuant to a permit from the city council; nor shall any person or corporation keep any slaughter house or yard, or any cattle therein hereafter without a permit from said council.

37. That no person shall kill or dress any animal or meat in any market, nor have, or permit to escape therein, or within one hundred feet thereof, any poisonous, noxious or offensive substance.

38. That every butcher, grocer and milk dealer, and their agents, shall allow the parties authorized by the Commissioner of Health, to freely and fully inspect their cattle and milk, meats, fish and vegetables, held, offered or intended for sale, and will be expected to answer all reasonable and proper questions asked by such persons relative to the condition thereof, and of the places where such articles may be.

39. That no offal or butchers' refuse shall be conveyed

through the City of Rock Island at any time unless the same shall be in tight boxes, barrels or vessels, from which no odor shall escape.

40. That a separate suitable vessel shall be provided for rubbish and liquid substances, and ashes and garbage shall not be placed in the same vessel with rubbish and liquid substances; and all ashes, rubbish, garbage and liquid substances that should be removed from such house, dwelling, building and place of business, shall be placed therein, and no such vessel shall remain on any sidewalk, or in any public place longer than may be needful for the removal of the contents thereof.

41. That such vessels or receptacles shall be placed and kept in such position (unless kept within or upon private grounds, within the sidewalk) as the Commissioner of Health shall provide or direct; and no person not for that purpose authorized shall interfere therewith or with the contents thereof.

42. That every cart and other vehicle hereafter constructed for or intended to be loaded with manure, swill, ashes, offal, rubbish or garbage, or other offensive or noxious substance, shall be constructed according to this article, and the regulations and orders of the Commissioner of Health.

43. That no cart or other vehicle for carrying any offal, swill, garbage or rubbish, or the contents of any privy, vault, cesspool or sink, or having upon it or in it any manure or other nauseous or offensive substance, shall, without necessity therefor, stand or remain; nor shall a needless number gather before or near any building, place of business or other premises where any person may be; nor shall any such cart or vehicle occupy any unreasonable length of time in loading or unloading or in passing along any street or through any inhabited place or ground; nor shall any cart or vehicle, or the driver thereof or anything thereto appertaining, be (or by any person having a right to control the same be allowed to be) in a condition needlessly filthy or offensive; and when not in use all such carts, vehicles and all implements used in connection therewith, shall be stored and kept in some place where no needless offense shall be given to any of the people of said city.

44. That all carts and vehicles in the last section mentioned, and boxes, tubs and receptacles thereon in which any substance in said section referred to may be or is carried, shall be strong and tight, so that no part of such contents or

load shall fall, leak or spill therefrom; and shall be adequately and tightly covered, so as to prevent the same from being offensive.

45. That no driver of such cart or vehicle, nor any person having undertaken or being engaged about the loading or unloading thereof, nor any person or persons engaged about the cleaning or emptying, or having undertaken to empty or remove any manure, garbage, offal or the contents of any vault, sink, privy, cesspool or any noxious or offensive substance, shall do or permit to be done about the same, or in connection therewith, that which shall be needlessly offensive or filthy in respect to any person, street, place, building or premises, and all carts or vehicles shall be thoroughly disinfected and put in an inoffensive condition when not in use.

46. That no person shall allow (and it shall be the duty of every scavenger, contractor and person who has ordered or procured or is having any of the following articles carried, or who is driving the same, to prevent) any cart or vehicle to be so fully loaded, or being in such bad condition of repair, or of such faulty construction, or being so improperly driven or managed, that any offensive liquid, or any manure, garbage, rubbish, offal, dirt or material thereon shall fall upon or in any place, street or premises; and it shall be the duty of every such person to at once replace on such vehicle and remove what has so fallen.

47. That all putrid or offensive matter, and all night soil and the contents of sinks, privies, vaults and cesspools, and all noxious substances in the said city shall, before their removal or exposure, be disinfected and rendered inoffensive by the person who removes, or is about to remove the same.

48. That neither the owner, tenant or occupant of any building or premises in the City of Rock Island shall employ, cause or permit any part of the contents of any vault, privy, sink or cesspool (being thereon, and of which he has control), to be removed, unless according to the regulations of the Commissioner of Health.

49. That no pile or deposit of manure, offal, dirt or garbage, nor any accumulation of any offensive or nauseous substance, shall be made within the City of Rock Island, or upon any open space inclosed within any portions thereof, or upon any open grounds near, or upon any vessel other than those to be speedily and according to the duty of any person, removed, lying at any dock or wharf, except according to a permit obtained from the Commissioner of Health, and accord-

ing to his regulations. And no person shall contribute to the making of any such accumulations, Nor shall any straw, hay or other substance which has been used as bedding for animals, be placed or dried upon any street or sidewalk, or roof of any building; nor shall any such straw, hay or other substance be deposited, nor shall accumulation thereof be made, within two hundred feet of any street, without a permit from said Commissioner.

50. That no pile or deposit of manure, offal or garbage, nor accumulation of any offensive or nauseous substance, shall be made within the limits of said city, nor shall any person or corporation unload, discharge or put upon or along the line of any railroad, street or highway, or public place within said city, any manure, offal, garbage or other offensive or nauseous substance; nor shall cars or flats loaded with or having in or upon them any such substance or substances be allowed to remain or stand on or along any railroad, street or highway within the limits of said city within three hundred yards of any inhabited dwelling.

51. That every proprietor, lessee, tenant and occupant of every oyster-house, oyster-saloon, or other premises where any oysters, clams, lobsters or shell or other fish are consumed, used or sold, or where any of the refuse matter, offal or shells thereof accumulate, shall daily cause all such shells, offal and refuse matter to be removed therefrom to some proper place, and shall keep his house, saloon and premises at all times free from any offensive smells or accumulations.

52. That no vault, privy, sink, cistern or cesspool shall hereafter be made or rebuilt in the city, except in accordance with the regulations of the Commissioner of Health.

53. That no diseased or sickly horse, cattle, swine, sheep, dog or cat or other animals, nor any that have been exposed to any disease that is contagious among such animals, shall be brought into the City of Rock Island.

54. That no person shall keep, retain or allow or employ to be kept or retained, at any place within the city, any horse, ass or colt, having the disease known as glanders or farcy.

55. That no person shall leave in or throw into any place or street or public water, or offensively expose or bury the body (or any part thereof), of any dead or fatally sick or injured animal; nor shall any person keep any dead animal, or any offensive meat, bird, fowl or fish in a place where the same may be dangerous to the life, or detrimental to the health of any person.

56. That every person having within his possession or control or upon any premises occupied or owned by him, any dead animal not proper for food and liable to become noxious and detrimental to health, shall at once give notice thereof to the Commissioner of Health.

57. That no person shall obstruct, delay or interfere with the proper and free use, for the purposes for which they may be and should be set apart and devoted, of any dock or wharf set apart for the use of any contractor or person engaged in removing any offal, garbage, dirt, dead animals, night soil or other like substances, or with proper performance of such contracts.

58. That it shall be the duty of each and every practicing physician in the city to report in writing to the Commissioner of Health, the death of any of his patients who shall have died in said city, of contagious or infectious disease, within twenty-four hours thereafter, and to state in such report the specific name and type of such disease.

59. It shall be the duty of each and every practicing physician in the city to report to the Commissioner of Health immediately after he has discovered the same, the name and place of residence of any person in said city who is suffering from small-pox, cholera, yellow fever, scarlet fever, diphtheria or other contagious disease, also typhoid fever and cerebrospinal fever. Any physician violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined in a sum not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

60. That no captain, officer, consignee, owner or other person in charge of any vessel (having right and authority to prevent the same), shall remove or aid in removing from any vessel to the shore (save as legally authorized by the Commissioner of Health, and into quarantine grounds or building only), any person sick of or that has been exposed to, and is liable very soon to develop any contagious disease, nor so remove or aid in removing any articles that have been exposed to the contagion of any such disease, except in accordance with a permit of said Commissioner or with his special regulations.

61. That no person shall bring into this city from any infected place, or from any vessel or building in which has lately been any person sick of a contagious disease, any article or person whatsoever, nor shall any such person come into said city without a permit of the Commissioner of Health; and it shall be no excuse that such person or article so offend-

ing, or the occasion of offense, has passed through quarantine, or has a permit from any other source than said Commissioner.

62. That every person, being the parent or guardian, or having the care, custody or control of any minor or other individual, shall (to the extent of any means, power and authority of said parent, guardian or other person, that could properly be used or exerted for such purpose), cause and procure such minor or individual to be so promptly, frequently and effectively vaccinated, that such minor or individual shall not take or be liable to take the small pox.

63. That no parent, master or custodian of any child or minor (having the power and authority to prevent), shall permit any such child or minor to be unnecessarily exposed or to needlessly expose any other person to the taking or to the infection of any contagious disease.

64. That no principal of any school, and no principal or teacher of any private, sectarian or other school, shall admit to any such school any child or minor who shall not have been vaccinated within seven years next preceding the admission or application for admission to any such school of such child or minor; or shall any such principal or teacher retain in or permit to attend any such school any such child or minor or who shall not have been vaccinated within seven years next preceding the taking effect of this article.

65. The evidence of such vaccination to be presented to any such principal or teacher, as is mentioned in the preceding section shall be a certificate signed by the Commissioner of Health or any physician duly licensed by the State Board of Health.

66. The Commissioner of Health is hereby empowered to visit any and all public and private schools in the city, and to make or cause to be made an examination of the children and minors in attendance therein, as often as he may deem necessary to secure compliance with the provisions thereof.

67. Any principal of a public school, or principal or teacher of any private or other school, who shall violate any of the provisions of section 64, or shall in any way prevent or attempt to prevent the Commissioner of Health from exercising the power conferred on him in section 66, shall be fined for each offense not less than five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

68. That no person shall retain, expose or allow to be re-

tained or exposed the dead body of any human being, to the peril or prejudice of the life or health of any person.

69. That every physician, midwife and other person who may professionally assist or advise any birth shall make and keep a registry of every birth and therein enter the time and place, ward and street number of such birth, and the sex and color of every child born, and the names and residence of each of the parents (so far as the foregoing facts can be ascertained), and every physician and professional adviser who has attended any person during a last illness, or who has been present by request at the death of any person, shall make and preserve a registry of such death, stating the cause thereof, and specifying the date, hour place and street number of the place of such death.

70. That it shall be the duty of every person mentioned in the last section or required to make or keep any such register, to present to the Commissioner of Health a copy of such register, signed by such person, or a written statement by him signed, of all the facts in said register required to be entered, within five days after the birth, and within 24 hours after the death of any person to whom such registry may or should relate, which shall thereupon be placed on file with said department.

71. That no person shall take, carry, expose or place or induce any other person so to do, in or upon any street or public place any substance, animal or thing which shall imperil the health of any person who is or may properly be in such street or place.

72. That no person owning or occupying any building or premises shall use the same, or permit the use of the same, or rent the same to be used for any business or employment, or for any purpose of pleasure or recreation, if such use shall, from its boisterous nature, disturb or destroy the peace of the neighborhood in which such building or premises are situated, or be dangerous or detrimental to health.

73. That no person shall bring into the city, or keep therein for sale or otherwise, either for food or for any other purpose or purposes whatever, any animal, dead or alive, matter, substance or thing which shall be or which shall occasion a nuisance in said city, or which may or shall be dangerous or detrimental to health.

74. That no building, vehicle, structure, receptacle used or to be used for any purpose whatever, shall be made, used, kept, maintained or operated in the city, if the use, keeping,

maintaining or operating of such building, vehicle, structure, receptacle or thing shall be the occasion of any nuisance, or dangerous or detrimental to health.

75. That no substance, matter, or thing of any kind whatever, which shall be dangerous or detrimental to health, shall be permitted to exist in connection with any permitted business, or be used therein or to exist in connection therewith, or to be used in any work or labor carried on or to be carried on or prosecuted in the city, and that no nuisance shall be permitted to exist in connection with any business or in connection with any such work or labor.

76. That any person who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with, or resists any of the provisions of this article, who refuses or neglects to obey any of the rules, orders or sanitary regulations of the Commissioner of Health, or who omits, neglects or refuses to comply with, or who resists any officer or order or special regulation of said Commissioner of Health shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars nor less than five dollars for each offense.

77. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed May 1st, 1882.

Approved:

HENRY CARSE,

Attest:

Mayor.

ROBERT KOEHLER, City Clerk.



AN ORDINANCE

Licensing and Regulating Breweries, Distilleries, Rendering and Fertilizing Business, Glue and Glucose Factories, Slaughter Houses, Packing Houses, Soap Factories, Candle Factories, Lard and Lard-Oil Factories, Hide Stores, Meat Markets and Livery Stables.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Rock Island.

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, company or corporation, within the City of Rock Island, to carry on the business of brewing or making beer, distilling or extracting spirits by distillation, or for any person or persons, company or corporation, within the City of Rock Island, or within one mile of the limits thereof, to engage in the business of rendering the offal, fat, bones or scraps from dead animals, or any carcass or any dead animal matter whatever, or the cleaning or rendering of intestines, or to engage in the manufacture or production of fertilizers, glue or glucose, unless he or they shall have obtained a license for such business, for which license he or they shall pay to the City Clerk the sum of fifty (\$50) dollars per annum before such license shall be issued; Provided that this section shall not apply to persons rendering the offal, fat bones or scraps of animals of their own slaughtering, when fresh from the slaughtered animal and in a condition free from soreness or taint and all other causes of offense. And provided further, that this section shall not apply to persons rendering the offal, fat, bones or scraps of animals, or animal matter necessary or convenient for their business in the manufacture or production of soap, candles, tallow or lard oil. Any person who shall violate this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and fifty dollars a day for each and every day he shall continue to carry on said business without a license.

SEC. 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, company or corporation, within the City of Rock Island, or within one mile of the limits thereof, to engage in the business of slaughtering animals for food, packing them for market, or rendering the offal, fat, bones or scraps of such animals or to engage in the manufacture or production of soap, candles, lard, tallow or lard oil, or to engage in the business of buying, selling, storing or curing green or salted hides, unless he or they shall have obtained a license for such business, for which license he or they shall pay to the City Clerk the sum of twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) per annum before such license shall be issued. Any person who shall violate this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, and twenty-five dollars a day for each and every day he shall continue to carry on said business without a license.

SEC. 3. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, company or corporation, within the City of Rock Island, to sell, offer or expose for sale any fresh meat, excepting venison, poultry, fish or wild game, in any quantity, or to keep and carry on a stable, where horses are kept for hire and where stabling is provided, unless he or they shall have obtained a license for such business, for which license he or they shall pay to the City Clerk the sum of five (\$5) dollars per annum; Provided, that nothing herein shall prohibit any person from selling beef or other fresh meat by the quarter, or any greater or less quantity, at any time or place in the said city, provided the same is the produce of his or their farm or his or their own raising. Any person who shall violate this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars, and ten dollars a day for each and every day he shall continue to carry on said business without a license.

SEC. 4. That upon the written application of any person or persons for license to carry on any business described in this ordinance, specifying the business for which license is desired, and the place where the same is to be carried on, it shall be the duty of the Mayor, upon the payment to the City Clerk the proper amount as provided in this ordinance, to issue him or them a license, which license shall specify the business to be carried on, the place at which it shall be carried on, and shall provide that said license shall expire on the

first day of May then next following, and shall be signed by the Mayor, countersigned by the Clerk and have the seal of the city thereto affixed.

SEC. 5. That any person or persons to whom any license may have been issued, under the provisions of this ordinance may, with the permission of the Mayor, assign and transfer the same to any other person or persons, and the person or persons to whom such license is issued, or the assignee or assignees of such license may, with the permission of the Mayor, surrender such license and have a new license issued for the unexpired term of the old license, authorizing the person or persons so surrendering such license to carry on the same business or occupation at such place as may be named in such new license. And the City Clerk is hereby authorized to demand and receive as fees for the use of the city for transferring each license, the sum of three (\$3) dollars, said fees to be paid at the time of such transfer.

SEC. 6. That when any license is issued under the provisions of this ordinance prior to the first day of May, A. D., 1882, and after the month of May in any year thereafter, the same shall be issued to the person applying therefor, as hereinbefore provided, upon his paying therefor the number of twelfth parts of the sum fixed for a yearly license equal to the number of months which will elapse between the date of the application for the license and the day when under this ordinance the said license is made to expire; Provided, that in determining the price to be paid, the month in which the application is made shall be counted and included in the number of months to elapse; And provided further, that no person shall be entitled to the benefit of this section who shall be engaged in the business for which he applies for a license at the time of his application.

SEC. 7. That whenever it shall appear to his satisfaction that any business which is licensed, under the provisions of this ordinance, is being conducted in a manner offensive to the public, or without proper regard to the sanitary condition of the vicinity, or that the party so licensed shall have violated any provision of any ordinance of the City of Rock Island, or any statute law of the State of Illinois, relating to the business for which such license is granted, the Mayor of the city may revoke such license, by giving the party licensed, or any of his or their agents or employees, found on the place where said business is carried on, written notice of such revocation, and it shall be the duty of the Mayor to revoke any

license so granted, whenever requested in writing so to do by the Commissioner of Health, or to return said request to the City Council at its next meeting, with his reasons, in writing, for not revoking the same.

SEC. 8. The Commissioner of Health, and any or all of the officers of the city, shall be permitted free and unrestrained entrance at all hours of the day or night to all buildings used for the purposes specified in this ordinance, and to free and unrestrained examination of all apparatus or utensils used in carrying on the business specified in this ordinance.

SEC. 9. This ordinance shall take effect on the first day of January, A. D., 1882, and all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed December 9th, 1881.

Approved:

HENRY CARSE,

Attest:

Mayor.

ROBERT KOEHLER, City Clerk.

I, Robert Koehler, City Clerk of the City of Rock Island, Ill., do hereby certify that the foregoing health ordinances are correct copies of original ordinances passed by the City Council of said city when the same bear date, that they were published on the twenty-ninth day of May, A. D., 1882, by virtue of resolution of the City Council of said city, passed on the fifteenth day of May, A. D., 1882.

Given under my hand and the corporate seal of said city this twenty-ninth day of May, A. D., 1882.

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ROBERT KOEHLER,
 City Clerk.





