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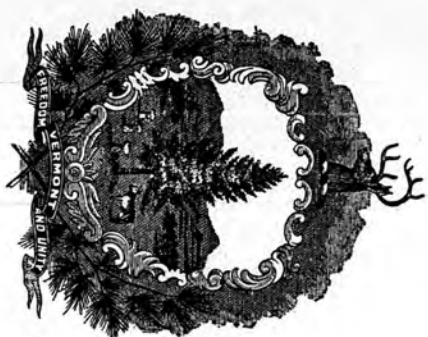
GENERAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF VERMONT

RELATING TO THE

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH



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PRESERVATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

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Board of Health.

Sec. 6193. Appointment; term; vacancy. The state board of health shall consist of three persons who shall be appointed as provided in this chapter. The governor shall biennially, in the month of January, on the advice and consent of the senate, appoint one member of said board, whose term of office shall be for four years. If a vacancy occurs in such office, the governor shall fill the same by appointment, and the person so appointed shall hold office until the first day of February in the year of the next biennial session of the general assembly, at which such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term thereof by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.

Sec. 6194. Organization; qualifications and duties of secretary; engineers and inspectors. The governor and said two members shall appoint a third member of said board who shall hold office until his successor is appointed and qualified. The member so appointed shall be a suitable practicing physician of the state and shall act as secretary of said board and be its executive officer. Said board may, subject to the approval of the board of control, appoint such sanitary engineers and inspectors as may be necessary to carry out the duties of said board.

Secretary, Engineers and Inspectors.

Sec. 6195. Salaries; limitation. The salaries of said secretary, engineers and inspectors shall be fixed by said board, subject to the approval of the board of control. Seven thousand five hundred dollars of the moneys annually available for the purposes of this chapter, or so much thereof as may be needed, shall be used for the payment of the salaries and necessary expenses of said secretary, engineers and inspectors, incurred in the discharge of their official duties.

Public Buildings.

Sec. 6196. Definition. The words "public buildings" as used in this chapter shall mean churches, courthouses, jails, municipal rooms, state and county institutions, railroad stations, school buildings, school and society houses, hotels and restaurants more than two stories high, all buildings more than two stories high used or rented for tenements, boarders or lodgers, and places of amusement one story or more in height, and stores, mills, workshops or other buildings more than two stories high in which persons are employed above the second story.

Duties of Board.

Sec. 6197. Generally. Said board shall take cognizance of the interests of the life and health of the inhabitants of the state, shall make or cause to be made sanitary investigations and inquiries respecting causes of disease, especially of epidemics, and the means of preventing the same, the sources of mortality and sickness and the effect of localities, environments, habits and circumstances of life on the public health; and, when requested, or when, in their opinion, it is necessary, shall advise the municipal officers in regard to drainage, water supply and sewerage, towns and villages and in regard to the erection, construction, heating, ventilation and sanitary arrangements of public buildings; and said board may compel the owners of such buildings to provide them with the necessary appliances and fire escapes for the safety of individuals who may be in such buildings, and said board shall exercise the powers and authority imposed by law upon said board. Said board may, in its discretion, exercise all the powers and authority, in each town and village, which are given to a local board of health; and said secretary may likewise exercise all the power and authority of a local health officer, anywhere in the state.

Sec. 6198. Meetings. Said board shall meet biennially on the first Tuesday of February, at the state house, and at such other times and places as, in its judgment, the public safety and health require.

Sec. 6199. Attendance upon meetings; quarantine. Said board may perform such services and make such expenditures as it deems necessary for the protection of the public health, may cooperate with boards of health of other states and countries; and a committee of said board may attend meetings of health authorities outside the state. Said board may, in case of the prevalence of epidemics or contagious diseases, quarantine towns, close highways and prohibit railway trains from stopping at quarantined places and may establish such quarantine regulations against other states and countries as will prevent the introduction of contagious and infectious diseases therefrom into this state.

Sec. 6200. Regulations as to schoolhouses; inspection of public buildings; approval of building plans. Said board shall, when necessary, issue to local boards of health regulations as to the lighting, heating and ventilation of schoolhouses, and shall cause sanitary inspection to be made of churches, schoolhouses and places of public resort, and shall cause such regulations for the safety of persons attending the same as it deems necessary. Public buildings shall conform to regulations which shall be made by said board in respect to sanitary conditions and fire escape necessary for the public health and for the safety of individuals in such buildings. A person, corporation or committee intending to erect a public building, shall submit plans thereof showing the method of heating, plumbing, ventilation and sanitary arrangements to said board and procure its approval thereof before erecting such buildings.

Sec. 6201. Erection of public building without approval of plan; penalty; repairs. A person, corporation or committee that erects a public building without the approval and without complying with the regulations of the state board of health as provided in the preceding section, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than

modified dollars, and shall make such building to conform to the regulations of said board before the same is used, otherwise such building shall be deemed a nuisance, and be put in proper condition by the local health officer under the direction of said board and at the expense of the owner.

Sec. 6202. Condemnation of school building; repairs; limitation; penalty. Said board may examine or cause to be examined a school building and outhouses in connection therewith, and may condemn such building unfit for occupation or use; and the building or outhouse so condemned by written notice served upon the chairman of the board of school directors or the person having such school in charge, shall not be occupied until the same is repaired and the sanitary condition approved by said board; provided that said board shall not issue an order, the compliance with which would necessitate the expenditure by a school district in any one year for repairing or erecting school buildings, of a sum in excess of twenty per cent of the grand list of such district. A person who violates a provision of this section shall be fined not more than fifty dollars nor less than five dollars.

Sec. 6203. Rules and regulations generally. Said board may promulgate and enforce rules and regulations relative to the preservation of the public health in contagious and epidemic diseases, and to the diseases, development, spread and prevention of disease; and said board shall make such rules and regulations as it deems necessary as to the preparation, burial and transportation of dead bodies of human beings. Said board shall prepare and distribute to local boards of health, physicians and other persons such printed circulars as it deems necessary and shall make such rules and regulations as said board may promulgate as aforesaid; upon request of said board, the secretary thereof shall give information relative to the cause and prevention of disease and directions as to modes of management, quarantine and means of prevention of contagious and infectious diseases.

Sec. 6204. Failure to comply with regulations of board; penalty. A person who fails to comply with a rule or regulation of said board, after being notified in writing by the secretary of the state or local board of health, shall, except as otherwise provided, be fined not more than one hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars, and costs.

Sec. 6205. Neglect to comply with written orders; damages; penalty. A person or corporation that willfully neglects or refuses to comply with a written order of said board issued under the provisions of this chapter, shall, when no other penalty is provided, be fined not more than four hundred dollars nor less than twenty-five dollars, and be liable for all damages or injuries to a person resulting from such neglect. Such person shall have concurrent jurisdiction with county, municipal and city courts of offenses arising under this section, to the extent of fining the respondent twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 6206. Ophthalmia neonatorum; penalty. Said board may make such rules and regulations as it deems necessary for the prevention of blindness caused by the disease known as ophthalmia neonatorum, and may furnish, at the expense of the state, such prophylactic outfits as may be necessary for the use of physicians. A physician who fails to comply with such a rule or regulation shall be fined ten dollars for each offense.

mens and containers and apparatus for taking the same and if necessary shall send a person to take such specimens. Said director shall fix the fee for making such tests, not to exceed fifteen cents for each specimen tested and tests shall not be made until such fees are paid. The director in his discretion may refuse to test any specimen not collected and transported in accordance with the regulations prescribed by him.

Sec. 6216. Disposition of fees; report. Said director shall, quarterly, cover into the state treasury all fees received under the provisions of the two preceding sections and the auditor of accounts shall, quarterly, draw an order in favor of said director for the expenses incurred in making such tests, but the same shall not exceed in any year the fees received. Such receipts and expenditures shall be published in the report of said director.

Health Officers.

Sec. 6217. Appointment; deputies. Said board shall appoint a health officer for each town, and the secretary of said board shall give him a certificate of appointment. Said health officer shall be a resident in the town for which he acts. Said board may appoint one or more deputy health officers for a town upon written request of the local board of health, but such deputy shall have authority only to issue certificates of permission for the burial, entombment or removal of dead bodies.

Sec. 6218. Local board of health. Said health officer, with the selectmen of the town, or the board of aldermen of the city, shall constitute a local board of health for such town or city.

Sec. 6219. Secretary and executive officer of local board; removal; vacancies. Said health officer shall be the secretary and executive officer of the local board of health, and shall hold office for three years, and until his successor is appointed. The state board of health may remove a health officer at any time and fill a vacancy in such office for any cause.

Sec. 6220. General duties. Said health officer shall make sanitary inspections whenever and wherever he has reason to suspect that anything exists, which may be detrimental to the public health. He shall enter any house or other building or place for the purpose of making such inspections. He shall, in writing, order the destruction or removal within a specified time of nuisances, sources of filth or causes of sickness, and shall in all things conform to the rules and regulations of the state board of health, issued under sections six thousand two hundred three and six thousand two hundred and four.

Sec. 6221. Public assemblies prohibited. Said health officer may order churches, schools and all places of public entertainment to be closed and may forbid and prevent the assembling of people in any place within the state board of health deems that the public health and safety so demand, and provided that said state board so certifies to said health officer. Such orders shall remain in force until vacated by a written order, signed by the secretary of the state board or by said health officer.

Sec. 6222. Inspection of schoolhouses. Said health officer shall, under the direction of the state board of health, make a sanitary survey of each schoolhouse and other building used for public purposes, and

annually, in the month of March, report to said board, and to the board of aldermen of cities or to the annual town meeting, as the case may be.

Sec. 6223. Noncompliance with orders; penalty; removal of nuisances, etc. A person or corporation that neglects or refuses to comply with a written order of a local board of health or health officer issued under this chapter, shall, when other penalty is not provided, be fined not more than one hundred dollars nor less than five dollars. In case of such neglect or refusal, the local board of health may prevent, remove or destroy any such nuisance, sources of filth or causes of sickness, at the expense of the town it represents, and such expense may be recovered of the person or corporation whose legal duty it was to comply with such order.

Sec. 6224. Abatement of nuisances; prevention of disease; isolation hospitals. A local board of health shall have power and authority to abate nuisances affecting the public health, destroy, prevent or remove sources of filth and causes of sickness. Said board may guard against the introduction of contagious or infectious diseases by the exercise of proper and vigilant medical inspection and control of all persons and things arising in its town. Towns may combine to build, equip and maintain isolation hospitals.

Sec. 6225. Quarantine; isolation; medical treatment. The local health officer may require, under the rules and regulations of the state board of health, the isolation of persons and things infected with or exposed to contagious or infectious diseases, and may with the approval of the local board of health provide suitable places for the reception of the same, and, if necessary, furnish medical treatment and care for such sick persons at their expense if of sufficient ability to pay, otherwise at the expense of the town or city. Said health officer may prohibit and prevent intercourse and communication with, or use of infected premises, places or things; and require, and provide means, at the expense of the town or city, for which he acts, for the thorough purification, disinfection and dressing of such infected places or things, before free intercourse there-with or use thereof shall be allowed.

Sec. 6226. Powers of local board. The local board of health in a town or city may make and enforce rules and regulations in such town or city relating to the protection of the public against contagious and infectious diseases and the cause, development and spread of any disease, provided such rules and regulations have the approval of the state board of health.

Sec. 6227. Penalty. A person or corporation neglecting or refusing to comply with a written order of the health officer, issued in conformity with the provisions of section six thousand two hundred and twenty, six thousand two hundred and twenty-one or six thousand two hundred and twenty-six, shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars for each offense.

Sec. 6228. Approval of selectmen. Said health officer shall not order the abatement of nuisances or the destruction of things infected with or exposed to contagious disease and shall not incur expense to the town or city in the furnishing of medical treatment and care for sick persons without the consent and approval of the selectmen of such town or

the aldermen of such city, but nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent said health officer from instituting quarantine and maintaining the same in any case of contagious or infectious disease.

Sec. 6229. Illegal interference; penalty. A person who attempts to hinder the work of a health officer or local board of health, or who moves, defaces or obscures a placard or notice posted upon an infected building, or who violates quarantine regulations, shall be imprisoned more than thirty days or fined not more than fifty dollars, or both.

Sec. 6230. Assistance by officers; penalty for neglect. Said health officer or local board of health may call upon sheriffs, constables, and police officers to assist them in the discharge of their respective duties. An officer who neglects or refuses to render such assistance shall be fined more than two hundred dollars.

Sec. 6231. Sewers and plumbing; orders; penalty. Said board may require an owner of a dwelling house or other building abutting on the public street in which there is a public sewer, to have all drains and sewers from such house or building connected with such street sewer, and, when said board deems it necessary, shall provide such house or building with plumbing in accordance with the plumbing regulations of the state board of health, and shall make the necessary connections between the plumbing and such public sewer. Either party may appeal to the state board of health, which shall, after proper hearing, inspection and consideration decide as to the necessity of providing such plumbing and making such connections; and its decision shall be final. Such an owner who fails to provide such plumbing and sewer connections after receiving a written notice authorized by the local board of health and signed by the health officer, and a reasonable time having elapsed for performing such work, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars and the local board of health shall provide such building with the necessary plumbing and sewer connections and collect the cost of the work and material used from said owner.

Sec. 6232. Expenditures in time of pestilence; penalty. The board shall, under the direction of the state board of health, in case of impending pestilence, make such expenditures, take such measures to do and cause to be done such acts as are necessary for the preservation of the public health. A health officer or member of a local board of health who refuses or neglects to perform the duties imposed upon him by this chapter shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars nor less than five dollars.

Sec. 6233. Expense; recovery. The expense incurred in the medical treatment and care of a sick person under this chapter, by the local board of health or the health officer, may be recovered of a town in which said person has a legal residence, in the same form of action as those furnished by the overseer of the poor of the town furnishing such aid.

Health Officers of Unorganized Towns and Gores.

Sec. 6234. Appointment; duties. The state board of health shall have power to designate a health officer of a town adjoining an unorganized

town or gore, as the health officer of such unorganized town or gore; and said health officer shall report to the secretary of said board every case of contagious disease mentioned in this chapter of which he has information or knowledge as existing in such unorganized town or gore, and shall, in such unorganized town or gore, do and perform all acts required of the health officer of a town the same as if he were the health officer of such unorganized town or gore; and, upon receiving such information from said health officer, said board shall do and perform all the duties of a health officer of a town.

Sec. 6235. Report of communicable disease to health officer. The health officer of a family in such unorganized town or gore in whose home there exists a case of infectious or contagious disease dangerous to the public health, shall immediately give notice to said health officer. A physician who knows or suspects that a person in such unorganized town or gore is dangerous to the public health, shall at once quarantine and report said health officer the place where such cause exists, the name, degree of the disease and cause of source of the disease and such other facts relating thereto as may be necessary for the health officer to make examination and act in the premises. The head of a family or a physician who fails to give reasonable notice to said health officer of the existence of such disease shall be fined not more than fifty dollars nor less than ten dollars.

Sec. 6236. Report of births and deaths. Said health officer shall report the births and deaths in such unorganized town or gore to the clerk of the town where he resides, who shall record the same as is required in relation to such statistics in a town.

Sec. 6237. Compensation. The compensation of such health officer shall be the same as that allowed to the health officer of a town, and the charges of such officer have been approved by the state board of health, the auditor of accounts shall draw an order therefor.

Tuberculosis.

Sec. 6238. Reports by physician; penalty. A physician who is consulted by a person subject to tuberculosis shall submit the name and address of such person to the secretary of the state board of health upon blanks as it may furnish, with such other facts as may be required within one week after such consultation. A physician who violates a provision of this section shall be imprisoned ten days or fined not more than fifty dollars nor less than five dollars, or both.

Sec. 6239. Record of cases; instructions. The secretary of the state board of health shall keep an accurate record of cases reported as provided in the preceding section, and the same shall not be published, nor shall be kept for said board for such purposes as are necessary in the exercise of its duties. Said board shall immediately, upon being notified of a case mentioned in the preceding section, send to the person whose name is so reported a circular containing proper information as to the

disposal of sputum, and such other facts as are necessary for the welfare of the person afflicted and the community in which he lives.

Sec. 6240. * Education and publicity. The state board of health shall investigate the prevalence and extent of tuberculosis in the state, shall adopt and make use of means for educating the people of the state in respect to the causes and nature of such disease, means for its prevention and cure, and in respect to the best method of preventing and limiting the spread of such disease, by modern sanitary precaution. Such educational campaign shall be carried on by holding annually at least one public meeting in each county; by public lectures by members or representatives of said board; by the distribution of pamphlets, documents and circulars upon the foregoing subjects; by articles in the public press; by interesting the teachers of the public schools that they properly teach their pupils in respect to such matters, and in such other manner as said board deems proper to disseminate the facts in regard to such disease. Said board shall include in its biennial report a statement as to its work under this section. The secretary of said board may employ, at the expense of the state, such assistance, clerical or otherwise, as may be necessary to carry on such work; but the entire expense in any one year incurred under this section for services, expenses and assistance shall not exceed two thousand dollars of the moneys annually available for the use of the state board of health. All accounts for such expense shall be approved by said board before being presented to the auditor of accounts.

Sec. 6241. Camp hospital sanitoriums; establishment. A person, association, corporation, municipality or county that desires to establish or maintain in the state a camp hospital sanatorium or other resort for the care or treatment of persons affected with tuberculosis, shall first obtain written permission from the state board of health; and said board shall on receipt of a written application for such permission, appoint such person and place, as in its judgment will be most convenient for all persons concerned, for a hearing. Notice of such hearing shall be given to the applicants and further notice thereof shall be given by publication for at least two consecutive weeks in a newspaper published in the county in which it is proposed to establish or maintain such sanatorium or resort, and by posting such a notice in three public places in the town in which it is proposed to establish or maintain such sanatorium or resort.

Sec. 6242. Same; hearing. Said board shall, at the time and place appointed for such hearing, hear all persons interested in such application; and, if it appears to said board that the establishment or maintenance of such a sanatorium or resort will be for the general welfare of the community, it may grant permission in writing to said applicants to establish or maintain such a sanatorium or resort; and said board shall, in any written permission, specify the exact location of such sanatorium or resort and the same shall not be established or maintained without such permission or in a location other than as so specified by said board. Said board may, at any time, revoke such a permission after notice and hearing provided in respect to applications.

* See Sec. 660.

Sec. 6243. Violation of two preceding sections; penalty. A person, association, corporation, municipality or county that violates a provision of the two preceding sections shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than fifty dollars. Said board shall inform state's attorneys of such violations which come to its knowledge. The provisions of this and the two preceding sections shall not affect the Vermont sanatorium at Pittsford.

Contagious Diseases.

Sec. 6244. Entering town when infected; taking or communicating infectious diseases; penalty. A person who, knowing himself to be infected with smallpox or other infectious or contagious disease dangerous to the public health, comes into a town in the state from another town within or without the state, without previously obtaining consent of the health officer of the town which he enters, or a person who knowingly and voluntarily communicates or receives the infection of smallpox or other infectious or contagious disease without the consent or approbation of the local board of health, shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars.

Sec. 6245. Report of cases of smallpox, etc; vaccination. A health officer shall report to the secretary of the state board of health, immediately after receiving information or knowledge thereof, every case of smallpox, varioloid, Asiatic cholera, typhus fever or yellow fever within the jurisdiction of the local board, and shall provide a suitable supply of vaccine virus when deemed necessary by the state board of health, and of supplies and from a source approved by it, and, during the existence of such town who may need the same.

Sec. 6246. Report of contagious or infectious diseases to health officer; quarantine; penalty. The head of a family in whose home there exists a case of infectious or contagious disease dangerous to the public health, shall immediately give notice thereof to the local health officer of the town in which he lives. A physician who knows or suspects that a person whom he has been called to attend is sick or has died of a communicable disease dangerous to the public health, shall immediately quarantine and report to the health officer the place where such case exists, and the name, degree of virulence and cause or source of the disease, and such other facts relating thereto as may be necessary for the health officer to make examination and act in the premises; provided that if the attending physician, at the time of his first visit, is unable to make a specific diagnosis, he may quarantine the premises temporarily and until a specific diagnosis is made, and post thereon a card upon which the word "quarantine" shall be plainly written or printed. Such quarantine shall continue in force until the health officer examines and quarantines as is provided in this chapter. A head of a family or a physician who fails to give reasonable notice to the health officer of the existence of such disease shall be fined not more than fifty dollars nor less than ten dollars.

Sec. 6247. Same; duties of health officer. A health officer, upon receiving notice of a case of infectious or contagious disease dangerous

to the public health, shall investigate and ascertain if possible the source or cause of the disease; institute means of prevention or restriction and immediately report the facts to the secretary of the state board of health. When a communicable disease prevails or becomes epidemic, said health officer shall make weekly reports concerning such disease to said secretary; and shall annually, in the month of January, report, in detail to said secretary, the sanitary condition and the public health of his town.

Sec. 6248. Fees of health officers. For each report of a contagious disease, said health officer shall receive from the town for which he reports fifteen cents; for each annual report, one dollar, and for sanitary inspection, placarding, quarantining and disinfection of infected buildings, premises, the same as for ordinary professional services, unless he is employed for a stipulated salary. When called by the state board of health to attend a meeting of said board, he shall receive from the state his expenses and the same per diem as members of the state board.

Veneral Diseases.

Sec. 6249. Report to state board of health; contents. The superintendent or other officer in charge of public institutions such as hospitals, dispensaries, clinics, homes, asylums, charitable and correctional institutions, shall report promptly to the state board of health the name, sex, age, nationality, race, marital state and address of every charitable patient under observation suffering from veneral diseases in any form, stating the name, character, stage and duration of the infection, and, if obtainable, the date and source of contracting the same.

Sec. 6250. Report by physician or other person; fees. A physician or other person who knows or has reason to believe that a person whom he treats or prescribes for or to whom he sells medicine other than a physician's prescription, has gonorrhoea or syphilis, shall immediately report the name, nationality, race, marital state, address, age and sex of such person to the secretary of the state board of health. A person who fails to make such report shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars. A person shall receive for each such report the sum of twenty-five cents, and said board shall semiannually in the months of January and July pay such persons all sums due on account of such reports, and such expenditures shall be allowed in said board's accounts, and on thousand dollars of the moneys annually available for the purposes of this title shall be used to carry out the provisions of this and the third and fourth following sections.

Sec. 6251. Educational campaign. Said board shall conduct an educational campaign of methods for the prevention and treatment and care of persons suffering from gonorrhoea and syphilis, and sums so expended shall be paid from the moneys annually available for the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 6252. Examination and test. Said board shall provide, at the expense of the state, facilities for the free bacteriological examination of discharges for the diagnosis of gonorrhoeal infections, and also shall provide, at cost, vaccines or antitoxines for the treatment of such infections. Said board shall make, at the expense of the state, the Wassermann test or examine smears for the diagnosis of syphilis, and shall

with the treatment known as "Salvarsan" or other accredited specific treatment at cost. Such diagnosis and treatment shall not be furnished until the report required by either the second or the third preceding section has been made. Said board shall include in bulletins or circulars distributed by it information concerning such diseases.

Sec. 6253. Reports and records to be confidential. All information and reports in connection with persons suffering from such diseases shall be regarded as absolutely confidential and shall not be accessible to the public nor shall such reports be deemed public records; and said board shall not disclose the names or addresses of persons so reported or treated except to a prosecuting officer or in court in connection with a prosecution under the third preceding section or under section seven thousand and thirty-six or seven thousand and thirty-seven.

Sec. 6254. Rules and regulations. Said board shall make and enforce such rules and regulations for the quarantining and treatment of cases of gonorrhoea and syphilis reported to it as may be deemed necessary for the protection of the public.

Barber Shops.

Sec. 6255. General regulations; duties of state board. The state board of health shall, annually, between the first day of January and the first day of June, promulgate through its secretary the following regulations for the management of barber shops:

I. Mugs, shaving brushes, razors, tweezers, needles and lances shall be sterilized by immersion in boiling water or in some sterilizing solution before every separate use thereof; and hair brushes, combs and neck brushes shall be sterilized each morning and shall be kept in a cleanly condition at all times.

II. Fresh clean towels shall be used for each person.

III. Alum or other material used to stop the flow of blood, shall be used only in liquid or powdered form.

IV. Powder puffs and sponges shall not be used.

V. Every barber shop shall be provided with hot water.

VI. Every barber shall keep his hands thoroughly cleansed.

VII. The headrest of every barber's chair shall be protected with clean paper before serving any customer.

A certified copy of such regulations shall, annually, during the months of April and May, be sent to the proprietor, keeper or person in charge of each barber shop in the state together with specific instructions as to the method of carrying out the same. Upon presentation of proper vouchers, the auditor of accounts shall draw orders upon the moneys annually available for the use of the state board of health, in payment of the expenses incurred under the provisions of this section.

Sec. 6256. Regulations to be posted. Each such proprietor, keeper or person in charge of a barber shop shall post in a conspicuous place inside shop a copy of the regulations furnished by the secretary of the state board of health.

Sec. 6257. Penalty. A person who violates a regulation prescribed in the two preceding sections shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars nor less than five dollars for each offense.

office, shall be in all courts presumptive evidence of the fact of such marriage.

Sec. 3799. Marriage without state; statistics; penalty. If a male resident of this state is married without the state, he shall, within sixty days, deposit with the clerk of the town where he resides, or, if he resides in an unorganized town or gore, with the clerk of the county wherein he resides, a certificate embracing the statistics required by law in marriage certificates; and, upon failure so to do, he shall be fined not less than ten dollars.

Sec. 3800. Statistics by head of family becoming resident. The head of a family who moves into and becomes a permanent resident of this state may cause to be recorded in the office of the clerk of the town where he resides, or, if he resides in an unorganized town or gore, in the office of the clerk of the county wherein he resides, a certificate of marriage embracing the statistics required by law, and may also cause to be recorded the birth of any of his children born without the state, with the statistics relating to such births required by law, and shall make oath to the correctness of such statistics. Such record shall not be returned to the secretary of the state board of health.

Burial and Disinterment of Dead Bodies.

Sec. 3801. Certificate of permission required. A dead body of a human being shall not be buried, entombed or removed from a town, or otherwise disposed of, without a certificate of permission issued and signed as hereinafter provided, by the health officer or deputy health officer and in case of their absence, by the town clerk.

Sec. 3802. Certificate of death. The physician who is last in attendance upon a deceased person during his last illness, shall immediately fill out a certificate of death which shall contain all the facts indicated by the form prescribed in the following section.

Sec. 3803. Form. Certificates of death shall be in the following form:

**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.
STATE OF VERMONT.**

No.
Place of death. Town or City.
County. Street and No.
Ward.
Full name.
SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS
OR NONRESIDENTS.
Former or usual residence.
How long at place of death.
If in hospital or institution, give its name.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS.

Sex. Color or race.
Single, married, widowed or divorced.
Date of birth. Month, day, year, 19...
Occupation.
[If none, so state]
Birthplace.
[State or country]
Name of husband or wife, if married.
[State or country]
Name of father.
[State or country]
Birthplace of father.
[State or country]
Maiden name of mother.
[State or country]
Birthplace of mother.
[State or country]
The above particulars are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Informant. Address. Date of burial.
Place of burial. Undertaker. Address.
[To be filled out by person issuing burial permit]
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE AT DEATH.
Date of death. Month, day, 19...
I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 19...
..... 19... and that I last saw him, alive on, at
..... 19... and that death occurred on the date stated above, at
..... M.
To the best of my knowledge and belief the cause of death was as
follows:
CAUSE OF DEATH.
Chief. [See instructions on back] Contributing.
Duration.
Signed. M. D.
Date.
Address. 19...
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Health Officer.

Sec. 3804. Same; when no attending physician. When a person dies without medical attendance, the head of the household where such death occurs, or the next of kin, shall immediately notify the health officer, if there is one, otherwise a member of the local board of health

where such death occurred, who shall, after proper investigation, and if deemed necessary by him, after an autopsy to determine the cause of death, issue a certificate of death.

Sec. 3805. Penalty. A physician who fails to furnish a certificate of death within thirty-six hours after the death of a human being, giving a true statement of the cause of such death, and all the other facts provided for in the blank form for death certificates, so far as these facts are obtainable, shall be fined not less than ten dollars, provided, however, that if the physician in attendance is unable to give the cause of death the fact shall be reported to the health officer if there is one, otherwise from a member of the local board, who shall then follow the requirements of the last preceding section.

Sec. 3806. Certificate furnished family; burial permit. The physician or person filling out the certificate of death shall, within thirty-six hours after death, deliver the same to the family of the deceased, if any, or to the undertaker or person who has charge of the body; and such certificate shall be filed with the person issuing the certificate of permission for burial, entombment or removal obtained by the person who has charge of the body, before such dead body shall be buried, entombed or removed from the town. When such certificate of death is so filed, such officer or person shall immediately issue a certificate of permission for burial, entombment or removal of the dead body under legal restrictions and safeguards.

Sec. 3807. Contagious disease; burial or removal permit. If the certificate of death issued under this chapter states that the cause of death was smallpox, varioloid, Asiatic cholera, typhus fever, scarlet fever, scarlatina, diphtheria, or bubonic plague, such certificate must be filed with the health officer, if there is one, otherwise with some member of the local board of health.

Sec. 3808. Death out of state; burial permit. Whenever a dead body is brought into this state for burial or entombment accompanied by a removal permit issued under the laws of the state from which such body is brought, such permit shall be received as sufficient authority for burial; but if not accompanied by such permit, the person in charge thereof shall apply to the health officer or clerk of the town in which such body is to be buried for a burial permit, and said officer or clerk shall issue such permit when furnished with such information as is required by the law of this state as to the identity and cause of death of a person buried in this state.

Sec. 3809. Burial permit. If it is desired to bury, entomb or otherwise dispose of a dead body within the limits of a town where the death occurred, the certificate of permission shall state plainly the time, place and manner of such burial, entombment or disposition; and, if it is desired to remove a dead body from the town where the death occurred, the certificate of permission shall contain the essential facts contained in the certificate of death on which it is issued, and shall accompany the body to its destination, and may be accepted as a permit for burial or entombment by a sexton or other person having the care of a cemetery, burial ground, tomb or receiving vault.

Sec. 3810. Unauthorized burial or removal; penalty. A person who buries, entombs, transports or removes the dead body of a human being without a certificate of permission so to do, or in any other manner or at any other time or place than as specified in such certificate, shall be imprisoned not more than one year or fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars, or both.

Removal of Dead Bodies.

Sec. 3811. Permit. A person desirous of disinterring or removing the body of a human being from one cemetery to another cemetery or to another part of the same cemetery or from a tomb or receiving vault elsewhere, shall first obtain a written permit from the health officer, if there is one, otherwise from the board of health of the town where such dead body is interred or entombed.

Sec. 3812. Same; requirements. Such permit shall state specifically where such body is to be buried or entombed and the time and manner of its removal. A health officer or other person issuing such a permit shall make it in duplicate, one copy of which shall be delivered to the person having charge of the cemetery or tomb whence the body is to be taken and the other shall be delivered to the person having charge of the cemetery or tomb wherein it is desired to place the body.

Sec. 3813. Returned to town clerk's office. Certificates of death and removal and transit permits filed with the health officer, deputy health officer or other person, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, shall be returned to the town clerk during the first week of each month following the month in which they are received.

Sec. 3814. Penalty. A health officer, deputy health officer or other person who fails to comply with a provision of the preceding section shall be fined ten dollars.

Duties of Sextons.

Sec. 3815. No burial or removal without permit. A sexton or other person having the care of a cemetery, tomb or receiving vault shall not receive or permit the burial or entombment of a dead body, or the removal thereof, in the cemetery or tomb of which he has charge, or the removal of a body therefrom, until there is delivered to him a certificate of permission issued in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 3816. Returns. A sexton or other person having charge of a cemetery, tomb or receiving vault shall, during the first week of each month, deliver to the clerk of the town in which such cemetery, tomb or vault is located the certificates of permission for burial, entombment or removal, properly certified, which he received during the preceding month.

Sec. 3817. Penalty. A sexton or other person having charge of a cemetery, tomb or receiving vault who violates a provision of the two preceding sections shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than twenty dollars.