

mon prostitute or of known immoral character, to have unlawful carnal connection either with himself or with any other person, or applies, administers to, or causes to be taken by any woman or girl any drug, matter or thing with intent to stupefy or overpower so as thereby to enable himself or any other person to have unlawful carnal connection with such woman or girl, or, being above the age of eighteen years, shall by any means whatsoever procure or induce any girl under the age of eighteen years, and not of known immoral character, to have any unlawful carnal connection either with himself or with any other person, shall be imprisoned not exceeding five years: *Provided, however,* that no person shall be convicted of an offense under this section upon the evidence of one witness only, unless such witness be corroborated by other evidence. (27 R. I. 456, 464.)

(6150) Sec. 6. It shall be unlawful for any person to secure a female for a house of ill-fame, or to procure for a female a place as inmate of a house of ill-fame, or by any promise, threat, or by abuse of person, or by any other device or scheme, to cause, induce, persuade or encourage a female to become a prostitute, or enter upon or lead a wanton or dissolute life, or become an inmate of a house of ill-fame, or enter a place in which prostitution is encouraged or allowed, or remain therein as such inmate, or come into this state or leave this state for the purpose of prostitution. It shall be unlawful for any person to receive or give, or agree to receive or give, any money or thing of value for procuring or attempting to procure any female to become a prostitute, or enter upon or lead a wanton or dissolute life, or become an inmate of a house of ill-fame, either within or without this state, or come into this state or leave this state for the purpose of prostitution. It shall be unlawful for any person by any means to keep, hold or detain against her will or restrain any female in any place for the purpose of prostitution, or in a house of ill-fame or other place where prostitution is practiced or allowed for any purpose, or to directly or indirectly keep, hold, detain or restrain, or attempt to keep, hold, detain or restrain in any house of ill-fame or other place where prostitution is allowed or practiced, any female by any means for the purpose of compelling such female, directly or indirectly, to pay, liquidate, or cancel any debt, dues, or obligations incurred or said to have been incurred by such female. Every person who commits any of the aforesaid offenses, or who assists, abets or aids another to commit any of such offenses shall be guilty of pandering, and for the first offense shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than six months and not more than five years, and for every subsequent offense shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one year and for not more than ten years. In any prosecution for any offense under this section, any female shall be a competent witness against the offender in relation to any such offense committed by such offender

upon or against her, or by such offender against or upon another person or persons in her presence, notwithstanding such female may have been married to the offender before or after the commission of such offense, and notwithstanding such female be called as a witness during the existence of the marriage or after its dissolution. It shall not be a defence to any prosecution for any of the offenses described in this section, that such offense or any part thereof shall have been committed outside the state, and any offense described in this section may be alleged to have been committed, and the offender may be prosecuted and punished therefor in any county in which the offender or the female upon or against whom such offense was committed may be found, or in which the offense was consummated, or in which any overt acts in furtherance of the offenses shall have been committed. (P. L., 1915, Ch. 1219.)

(6151) Sec. 7. Whenever there is reason to believe that any female has been inveigled, enticed, induced, persuaded or encouraged to enter a house of ill-fame or other place where prostitution is allowed or practiced, or is being kept, held, detained or restrained in any house of ill-fame or other place where prostitution is allowed or practiced, upon complaint being made thereof under oath by any overseer of the poor, sheriff, deputy-sheriff, chief of police, town sergeant or constable, or by the parent, master or guardian of such female, to any justice or clerk of a district court authorized to issue warrants, such justice or clerk may issue his warrant, to enter by day or night, such house of ill-fame or other place as aforesaid, and to search for such female, and to bring her and the person in whose possession or keeping she may be found, before such district court, who may, on examination order her to be delivered to such overseer, parent, master or guardian, or to be placed in charge of a probation officer, or to be discharged in accordance with law. (P. L., 1915, Ch. 1219; 32 R. I. 70.)

(6152) Sec. 8. Any person who shall be indicted for rape may also be charged in the same indictment with either or all of the offenses described in sections three, four, five, and six of this chapter, and if upon trial the jury shall acquit such person on the charge of rape, and shall find him guilty of either of the other offenses, judgment and sentence may be awarded against him accordingly. (P. L., 1915, Ch. 1219.)

(6153) Sec. 9. Every person who shall commit fornication shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars. Persons within the degrees of consanguinity, within which marriage is by law prohibited or declared to be null and void, who shall intermarry, or commit adultery or fornication with each other, shall be imprisoned for not more than ten years. (P. L., 1915, Ch. 1219; 16 R. I. 234.)

(6154) Sec. 10. Every woman who shall conceal the birth of any

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stitution, broker's office, place of public amusement, auction room, store, shop, crowded thoroughfare, car or omnibus, or at any public gathering or assembly, shall be deemed a vagabond, and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state workhouse and house of correction for not less than four nor more than twelve months. Sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, and police officers shall take any such vagabond into custody without a warrant, and shall, within twenty-four hours after such arrest, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, take him before the proper tribunal and shall make complaint against him. (P. L., 1909, Ch. 378.)

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 (6184) Sec. 40. It shall be unlawful for any person to secure, direct or transport, or offer to secure, direct or transport another for the purpose of prostitution, or for any other lewd or indecent act; or to loiter in or near any thoroughfare or public or private place for the purpose of inducing, enticing, soliciting, or procuring another to commit lewdness, fornication, unlawful sexual intercourse or any other indecent act; or to commit or in any manner induce, entice, or solicit, or procure a person in any thoroughfare, or public or private place or conveyance to commit any such acts; or to receive or offer or agree to receive any person into any place, structure, house, building, room, or conveyance for the purpose of committing any of such acts, or knowingly permit any person to remain therein for any such purposes, or to, in any way, aid or abet or participate in any of the acts or things enumerated herein.

Any person found guilty under this section, shall be subject to imprisonment in the state prison or county jail not to exceed two years; or to commitment to a reformatory or other correctional institution not to exceed four years. (P. L., 1919, Ch. 1788.)

(6185) Sec. 41. Any person convicted for any violation of the foregoing section or of any other statute relating to lewd or lascivious behavior or unlawful sexual intercourse, and shall be confined or imprisoned in the state prison or county jail or other institution for more than ten days, may be examined by the state board of health for venereal disease, through duly appointed, licensed physicians as agents; and any such person so examined may be detained until the result of such examination is duly reported; and if found with venereal disease in an infectious stage, such person shall be treated therefor, and, if a menace to the public, quarantined, in accordance with rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, of the state board of health, which is hereby authorized to formulate and issue the same. Refusal to comply with or obey such rules or regulations shall constitute a misdemeanor and be punishable by fine, not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars or by imprisonment not to exceed three months or by both such fine and imprisonment. (P. L., 1919, Ch. 1788.)

(6186) Sec. 42. In the trial of any person charged with a violation of section forty, testimony concerning the reputation of the place wherein the violation occurred or and of persons who frequent or reside therein shall be admissible in evidence in support of the charge. (P. L., 1919, Ch. 1788.)

(6187) Sec. 43. The police commissioners of any city or town having a police commission, and the chief of police of any other city or town may designate certain streets in such city or town as curfew streets. No minor under sixteen years of age shall be allowed to loiter on any such curfew street after nine o'clock P. M., unless accompanied by some adult person. (P. L., 1911, Ch. 718.)

(6188) Sec. 44. Any minor under sixteen years of age not accompanied by an adult person, who shall loiter on any such street after being directed by any police constable to cease therefrom, shall be fined not exceeding five dollars. (P. L., 1911, Ch. 718.)

**CHAPTER 400.**

(Gen. Laws, 1909, Ch. 348.)

**Of Offenses Against the Public Health.**

Section

- 1. Sale of unwholesome provisions, how punished.
- 2. Killing, etc., for sale, of calf not four weeks old, how punished.

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- 3. Penalty for carrying swill, etc., into Middletown, when.
- 4. Meats and provisions not to be wrapped in unsanitary manner.

(6189) Section 1. Except as otherwise provided, in respect to specific articles of meat or drink, every person who shall sell any kind of diseased, corrupted, or unwholesome provisions, whether for meat or drink, shall be imprisoned not exceeding six months or be fined not exceeding two hundred dollars. (20 R. I. 475.)

(6190) Sec. 2. Every person who shall kill or cause to be killed, for the purpose of sale, or who shall sell to any person engaged in the business of killing of animals to be used for food purposes, any calf less than four weeks old and the weight of which is less than seventy-five pounds, or shall sell, or have in his possession with intent to sell, the flesh of any calf which he knows to have been killed when less than four weeks old, or the weight of which calf before being killed he knows to have been less than seventy-five pounds, shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars. (P. L., 1914, Ch. 1055.)

(6191) Sec. 3. No person shall hereafter carry any house offal or swill into the town of Middletown, or permit the swill or offal so car-