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of theatrical exhibitions, public shows of any kind, circus, public singing or serenaders of any description, who may wish to exhibit in any part of the territory, may exhibit by paying to the county treasurer for a license, such sum as the treasurer may think proper: *Provided*, That the county commissioners are not in session at the time of such application for license, or that the county commissioners have not at any meeting fixed the rate of such license to be paid the county treasurer.

The authorities of cities or villages may grant licenses.

SEC. 3. Nothing contained in this chapter, shall be construed as preventing the board of trustees of any incorporated village, or the proper authorities of any incorporated city, from licensing such theatrical exhibition, public show, or other exhibition, in pursuance of the authority granted by the charter of such village or city respectively, or the acts under which they may be incorporated, and agreeably to the ordinances and by-laws, made in pursuance of the provisions of such chapter or act of incorporation.

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SEC. 1. Whenever any persons shall meet each other on any bridge or road, traveling with carriages, wagons, sleds, sleighs, or other vehicles, each person shall seasonably drive his carriage or other vehicle to the right of the middle of the traveled part of such bridge or road, so that the respective carriages, or other vehicles aforesaid, may pass each other without interference.

Persons traveling with carriages, &c., to drive to the right.

SEC. 2. Every person offending against the provisions of the preceding section, shall, for each offence, forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, and shall also be liable to the party injured, for all damages sustained by reason of such offence.

Penalty for neglect.

SEC. 3. No person owning or having the direction or control of any coach or other vehicle, running or traveling upon any road in this territory, for the conveyance of passengers, shall employ or continue in employment any person to drive such coach or other vehicle, who is addicted to drunkenness, or to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors; and if any such person shall violate the provisions of this section, he shall forfeit a sum not less than ten, and not exceeding fifty dollars, and shall be liable for all damages sustained.

Person owning vehicle for conveyance of passengers not to employ drunken driver.

SEC. 4. It shall not be lawful for the driver of any carriage or other vehicle used for the conveyance of passengers, to leave the horses attached thereto, while any passenger remains in or upon the same, with-

Penalty for driver leaving horses without fastenings

out making such horses fast with a sufficient halter, rope, or chain, or without some suitable person to take the charge or guidance of them, so as to prevent their running; and if any such driver shall violate the provisions of this section, he and his employer or employers jointly and severally, shall forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty dollars; but no prosecution shall be commenced therefor, after the expiration of three months from the time of committing the offence.

Owner liable for damages occasioned by driver.

SEC. 5. The owners of every carriage or other vehicle, running or traveling upon any road or public highway, for the conveyance of passengers for hire, shall be liable jointly and severally, to the party injured in all cases, for all injuries and damages done by any person in the employment of such owners as a driver, while driving such carriage, to any person or to the property of any person, whether the act occasioning such injury or damage be wilful, negligent, or otherwise, in the same manner as such driver would be liable.

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Who may take up strays.

SEC. 1. No person shall take up any stray except horses and mules, unless such person shall be at the time a resident of the same county, wherein such stray shall be found, nor unless such stray be found upon the lands owned or occupied by the finder.

Within what time notice to be given to owner.

SEC. 2. Any person taking up a stray shall within seven days thereafter, notify the owner thereof, if to him known, and request such owner to pay all reasonable charges, and to take such stray away.

How notice is to be given, if owner is unknown.

SEC. 3. If the owner of any stray be unknown, the finder shall within ten days after taking up the same, file a notice thereof, with the clerk of the board of county commissioners, and if the stray or strays so taken up are of the value of less than five dollars, he shall also post up notices of the taking up of such stray, in two or more public places in such county; but if the stray or strays so taken up, are of the value of more than five dollars, he shall cause such notice to be published in some newspaper of the county, for four weeks successive-