SANITATION

CHAPTER 184.

[H. B. No. 36-O'Connor.]

SANITARY REGULATIONS FOR HOTELS.

AN ACT to Amend Sections 6 and 10 of Chapter 135 of the Laws of 1907, as Amended by Chapter 141, Laws of 1909.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. Amendment.] Section 6 of Chapter 135 of the Laws of 1907, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 141 of the Laws of 1909, is amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 6. Sanitary provisions.] Every hotel shall be well drained, constructed and plumbed according to established sanitary principles; shall be kept clean and in a sanitary condition, and free from effluvia arising from any sewer, drain, privy, or other source within control of the owner, manager, agent, or other person in charge; shall be provided with water closets or privies properly screened, for the separate use of males and females, which water closets or privies shall be disinfected as often as may be necessary to keep them at all times in a sanitary condition.

All bedrooms shall be kept free from vermin, and the bedding in use shall be clean and sufficient in quantity and quality; all sheets shall be at least eight feet in length; each guest shall be furnished with two towels; in case bedrooms are carpeted the carpet or carpets thereon shall be taken up and thoroughly cleansed at least once each year; no rusted tin or iron vessel or utensil shall be used in cooking food, and all food stuffs shall be kept in a clean and suitable place, free from dampness and contact with dirty water; the floors, closets, cupboards and walls all kitchens shall at all times be kept free from dirt and no dust or grease shall be allowed to col-lect thereon; a metal container shall be provided to ashes where such ashes are stored around the hotel building. In all cases where a patient having an infectious or contagious disease has been confined in a hotel room such room shall upon the removal of such patient be closed and fumigated, and upon the completion of such fumigation the certificate of a reputable physician to that fact shall be forwarded to the hotel inspector. In all hotels or lodging houses where fifty cents or more per night is charged for lodging the sheets and pillow cases shall be changed after the departure of each

guest, and within three months after the taking effect of this act it shall be unlawful to have upon a bed of any such hotel or lodging house any mattress of a lower grade than that commonly known to the trade as cotton felt combination; each mattress shall weigh at least thirty-five pounds unless it be a hair mattress, in which case it shall weigh thirty pounds or more. Each hotel, rooming house, or restaurant where fifty cents or more per meal is charged shall keep in its main public washroom individual towels or paper toweling in full view and reach of all guests at all hours. Each room shall be properly ventilated by at least one window, and by a doorway leading into the hall.

- § 2. AMENDMENT.] Section 10 of Chapter 135, Laws of 1907, is amended and re-enacted to read as follows:
- § 10. Certificate of inspection to be posted. If the inspector shall find after examination of any hotel that this law has been fully complied with he shall issue a certificate to that effect to the person operating the same, and said certificate shall be kept posted up in a conspicuous place in said inspected building, and provided that no certificate shall be issued in any case until the inspection fee shall have been paid.

Approved February 26, 1913.