character is printed, painted, stamped or otherwise placed or attached for the purpose of identifying the ownership thereof as belonging to or being the property of the person, co-partnership or corporation owning the same.

## 1927, ch. 472, sec. 171D.

171D. It shall be unlawful for any person, co-partnership or corporation other than the owner thereof to retain in his, their or its possession, for a longer period than thirty days after demand by registered mail by the owner thereof, any electric storage battery upon or to which the word "rental" or any word, mark, device or character is printed, painted, stamped, burned or otherwise placed or attached, for the purpose of identifying the ownership thereof as belonging to or being the property of the person, co-partnership or corporation owning the same.

## 1927, ch. 472, sec. 171E.

171E. Any person, co-partnership or corporation and the members, officers, agents and employees of any co-partnership or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance<sup>1</sup> shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars.

## Fraud-Flour and Whiskey-Sales of.

**176-177.** Repealed by ch. 411 of the Acts of 1929.

## Fraud—Upon Gas Companies.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 179. 1912, sec. 157. 1904, sec. 142. 1888, sec. 105. 1886, ch. 222, sec. 1. 1927, ch. 677, sec. 179.

Any person who, with intent to injure or defraud any gas company, body corporate of this State, shall make, or cause to be made, any pipe, tube or other instrument or contrivance, or connect the same, or cause it to be connected, with any main service pipe or other pipe for conducting or supplying gas, in such manner as to connect with and be calculated to supply gas to any burner or orifice by or at which gas is consumed, around or without passing through the meter provided for the measuring and registering of the quantity of gas there consumed, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, or both, in the discretion of the court. The existence of any pipe or tube connection or other instrument or contrivance, as aforesaid, permitting the use of gas furnished by any gas company, body corporate of this State, without it being measured or registered on a meter provided therefor by such gas company, shall be prima facie evidence of intent to violate and of the violation of this section by the person or persons who would receive the direct benefits from the use of the gas without it being measured or registered on a meter as aforesaid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Evidently "act" or "sub-title" intended.