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**Much Opposition**  
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form of assistance the Government was giving that could be more beneficial.

Mr. H. H. Cox: Suppose the man won't have enough to pay for the fertilizer? Suppose I have a judgment against a man; will that lien come before my judgment?

Hon. Mr. Lea: It would come ahead of it so far as the crop is concerned.

Mr. Cox: I mean clear of the crop; on the land?

Hon. Mr. Lea: I don't think it includes the horses and cows, etc.

Mr. Cox: I think you are just in taking that lien on his crop of potatoes, but if it would come ahead of a judgment that I would have against a man on his property I wouldn't think it would be right.

Hon. Mr. Lea: You couldn't have any judgment on his growing crop, anyway.

Mr. Arsenault: This, to my mind, is departing from the course of giving security as it is understood and practised in the past, and I think that we should go very slowly in introducing class legislation of this kind. It may have a very far reaching effect because we may find that in the very near future other claimants might come in—dealers in machinery, for instance; because without the machinery you could not harvest the growing crop.

Mr. Arsenault contended that the proposed legislation takes at least part of the security from other mortgagees. Instead of making credit easier for the farmer, the proposed legislation might make it more difficult. Some farmers might be tempted to borrow more fertilizer and seed than they can afford. Some farmers have already been practically ruined by growing too many potatoes. At any rate, the banks, owing to general prosperity of our farming communities, have been very lenient in advancing money, and he did not wish to give many farmers in the past have suffered by reason of the fact that they could not get security to buy fertilizer.

Hon. Dr. McNeill approved of the bill. He did not believe it would jeopardize the interests of other mortgagees that in helping a man to buy fertilizer you were helping to improve his land and make his farm more valuable. This would benefit other creditors as well.

Mr. Arsenault: Following the same principle, I suppose you would say it would be good for grain growers to purchase their seed in the same way?

Hon. Dr. McNeill: Why not? Yes. Mr. Arsenault, suppose a man has a piece of land that cannot grow potatoes. You only give him the privilege of borrowing for seed potatoes or fertilizer.

Mr. Horace Wright: I understand it applies not only to the growing of potatoes but to other crops as well.

Mr. Wright expressed approval of the bill.

Mr. J. A. Campbell: I do not know if this bill is necessary at all. Fertilizer has been used very extensively and we have hardly any cases where a farmer has had to suffer because he could not buy fertilizer. The great trouble is that we have over production now; and the trouble with this bill is that it encourages, to a certain extent, the person who sells fertilizer on the other hand it perhaps encourages the poor man to get himself into something that eventually might be the means of putting him out of business. I would say that a farmer who is not in a position today to buy fertilizer would not be better off by being encouraged to take his mortgage on his crop. If his crop should fail what would happen?

Hon. Mr. Lea: I would say that the man that got the bill of sale would be out of luck.

Mr. Campbell: The man who was growing the potatoes would have to have a certain amount of machinery, etc. If the crop should turn out a failure could the mortgagee interfere with any of the machinery, or any of the other crop?

Hon. Mr. Lea: The machinery is all secured by lien notes anyway. This bill, as I understand it, makes it legal for this man to give a bill of sale on a growing crop. Previous to this it was questionable. Now it legalizes it. I concur in the remarks of the senior member from Summerside (Hon. Dr. McNeill). By putting a man in a position to secure fertilizer you enable him to improve his land, his pasture, his hay, etc. It is possible that 90 percent of our farmers can get rid of their fertilizer now, but a considerable number cannot get it. Even yet they have to give long term notes, paying interest, and they have to pay almost any price that some of the dealers ask. We make a specialty of the potato crop for the reason that it is so valuable. In one season men have made an operating profit of from \$400 to \$500 on an acre of seed potatoes. It would be impossible to make anything like ten or fifteen percent of this on the growing of hay, etc. therefore no man would want to risk lending fertilizer or anything but the growing of potatoes. Therefore it is quite right that a special case be made of the man who is growing seed potatoes; I do not think it is necessary to raise the question of a man having to buy machinery because it is not necessary even for him to buy machinery. They can borrow their machinery; they can produce, spray and harvest their crop without a purchase at all; but they cannot possibly grow that crop unless they have the seed and the fertilizer.

Mr. McPhee: It seems a very good intention, but I do not know whether it is really necessary. If I wanted to go into potato growing next spring I think I could give that lien on my own account.

Hon. Mr. Lea: You couldn't do it

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**Deaths**  
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public schools, and later attended the Winnipeg Agricultural College, where he took the technical course in butter and cheese making.

He returned to Prince Edward Island five years ago as Dairy Superintendent, in which capacity he raised the standard of butter and cheese to the extent that in the quality of these commodities, this province now ranks first in the Dominion. Mr. McDonald was member of the National Dairy Council of Canada.

The deceased was ill for five weeks, suffering from a stroke of paralysis, finally passing away last evening at 6.30 o'clock. He was a devoted member of the Roman Catholic Church, and received the last rites from his pastor, Right Rev. Monsignor Maurice McDonald.

There are left to mourn, his sorrowing wife, nee Miss Minnie Burnett, formerly of South Shields, England; four small children, John Muriel, Alan and Ronald; also two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Lacey, of Lethbridge, Alberta, and Miss Teresa McDonald, Boston, Mass.

Mr. McDonald's funeral will be held Sunday, March 30th, at 3.20 p. m., leaving his late residence, 172 Sydney Street to St. Dunstan's Basilica, thence to the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

**Deaths**

**LESLIE**—At the Charlottetown Hospital, March 27th, Mrs. Mary Leslie, aged 68. Remains will be forwarded from M. Hennessey's Parlors this morning to Kensington.

**HANDRAHAN**—Died in the Sacred Heart Home, on March 27th, Daniel E. Handrahan. Funeral from A. A. Hennessey's Funeral Home tomorrow morning (Friday) by train to St. Andrews.

**PAQUET**—In the City Hospital, on March 26th, Michael J. Paquet, aged 67 years. Remains were forwarded to Souris yesterday. Funeral from his late residence, Souris, Saturday morning at 9 o'clock to St. Mary's Church, Souris.

**MCDONALD**—In this city, March 27, John A. McDonald, Dairy Inspector, aged 68 years. Funeral from his late residence, 172 Sydney St., Sunday at 3.15 to St. Dunstan's Basilica, thence to the R. C. Cemetery.

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4.00—United Prayer Service, women of the Congregation, under the auspices of the W. M. S. and K. D.—Residence of Mrs. Brown, the Parsonage, Richmond Street.

**Trinity United Church**  
FRIDAY

7.00—General rehearsal, Cantata "Olivet to Calvary," in preparation for Good Friday.

7.30—Y. F. S. Study Group, Social Problems—Social Hall.

7.30—Cottage Prayer Meeting—Residence of Mrs. Campbell, 266 Sydney Street.

without this.

Mr. McPhee: I don't know why.

Hon. Mr. McPhee: It is not legal.

Mr. McPhee: It appears to me that a man should have that privilege.

Hon. Mr. Lea: This is to give him that privilege. That is what the bill is for.

Mr. W. C. S. McLure: I think that if we had known, or if we could now know, who is asking for this legislation, it might assist us in discussing it intelligently. For instance, personally I would like to know whether the farmers of this Province are asking for this legislation, or are the dealers or merchants who deal in fertilizer asking for it?

Hon. Mr. Lea: It is very hard for me, as promoter of this bill, to know who is asking. It was just put into my hands as a request from the country. Possibly it was a man who had been getting a lien on a crop and was not able to collect his loan and so saw the need of such legislation.

Mr. L. E. Allen: The Minister of Agriculture paints a rosy picture. I wish it were true, what he states, that they have an operating profit of from \$400 to \$500 from an acre of ground. Take the average of the last five or ten years; would you have that average?

Hon. Mr. Lea: I did not say average.

Mr. Allen: I think one year in twenty would be a very good standard. It seems to me that you are going to open up the gates so that eventually you are going to bring bills in asking for certain regulations with regard to the growing of wheat. Smell fishermen and lobster fishermen will be giving bills of sale for their traps, etc., to some person who can supply them. If fertilizer were the only thing that enters into a growing crop it might be a desirable thing, but what about the man who supplies fertilizer the previous year? That man has no chance of protection, because the grower will not go back to him to get credit if his previous crop proved a failure. It is generally known that a man may grow five acres of potatoes profitably where ten acres would be grown at a tremendous loss. We are legislating for the farmer who cannot finance himself, and I believe it would be a mistake to try to advance too rapidly in this respect. I consider that this class legislation; why not give the same privilege to other classes. I believe that instead of being called "for prevention of fraud" the bill should be called "for the encouragement of fraud"—just the reverse. It is going to lend itself to abuses; I am satisfied about that; and if it goes through the House I believe eventually it will act as a boom-crash.

Mr. Arsenault: As the junior member from Summerside, (Mr. Allen) has said, we will soon have the fishermen wanting to give security on their catch—on their "crop" which is still in the sea. If it were only for fertilizer it would perhaps have some semblance of reason; but they put in seed potatoes as well. I myself bought seed at \$1.50 a bushel to plant, and in the fall got 18 cents a bushel. You may be encouraging a man to go in debt. As it appears to me, you are opening the door to abuses. What about the merchant who has to supply the farmer's food and clothing for the year? You don't give him any right or privilege. A man might go extensively into potatoes and nothing else. He would require capital to harvest his crop, and if he went to a banker, the banker would say "Have you mortgaged your crop?" the farmer would say "yes, for my fertilizer and seed." The result would be that he would not be able to raise enough money to finance the harvesting, and the crop would remain in the ground.

At 1 p. m. progress was reported on the bill, and the House took recess.

**Bills in Committee**

On motion of Mr. Arsenault the House went into committee on second reading of an Act to incorporate the Acadia Hall Company Ltd. Mr. McLean in the chair. Incorporation is being sought by Narcisse C. Richard, Joshua Boudreau, Eugene Richard, Joseph J. Chaisson, Patrick Poirier, Joseph B. Gallant, and Michael DesRoches; the capital stock of the company to be \$2,000.

The bill was agreed to without amendment.

On motion of Dr. McMillan the House went into committee on an Act to amend the Act to consolidate and amend the several Acts Incorporating the City of Charlottetown, Mr. McLure in the chair.

Dr. MacMillan explained that the City of Charlottetown is asking authority to borrow a further sum of \$50,000 for permanent street works. The work already done requires to be linked up and extended. An adequate sum will be provided annually and set apart as a sinking fund to redeem the debentures at maturity.

The bill was agreed to without amendment.

**Water Works Debentures**

On motion of Dr. MacMillan they went into committee on an Act to Amend the Charlottetown Water Works Act, 1887; Dr. McDonald in the chair.

The bill asks for authorization to issue debentures of \$125,000 and \$10,000 for necessary water works improvements.

Explaining the purpose of the bill Dr. MacMillan said it was a matter which had been very carefully considered by the Board of Water Commissioners and City Council. The advice of competent engineers had been secured, notably that of Mr. R. S. Lea, Montreal, brother of the Minister of Agriculture for this Province. When the water works was established in Charlottetown in 1888 it had a capacity of three quarters of a million gallons per day. In 1902 an auxiliary well was put down at the North River with a capacity of about one half million gallons a day. That was extended by subsidiary wells along the banks of a stream which comes down from Gates' Mill. This supply has been pushed beyond the limit and it is now necessary to secure other sources to meet the demand.

The Water Works Department of Charlottetown is well administered; in fact Charlottetown has the reputation of having the purest water supply on the continent. But in pushing this pumping station on the North River to capacity they are draining all the deep water until they are getting the surface water which comes from the pond at Gates' Mills. It has been necessary to go down to a great depth and put in a concrete base, using a lot of brick clay, etc., in order to keep the surface water from permeating down and contaminating the sources of supply. The suction of the pumps is so powerful that it dries up the surrounding ground. When the workmen were digging in that vicinity they found small trout that had been sucked down into the sand and earth for several feet by the force of the pumps. When the tide comes in and the surface water permeates to the sources of supply it gets into the water system and great difficulty is experienced. At one time there were 114 ounces of salt found in one well. Today there is only 1.3 ounces, which is a very small quantity.

Charlottetown's original water works system Dr. McMillan explained cost \$133,000. Since that time \$371,000 has been expended in improvements; a total expenditure of \$504,000. There has been paid off \$271,000 leaving a balance of \$233,000. The Commissioners have worked out their present indebtedness plus the amount they are now asking authorization to borrow. (\$125,000 and \$10,000) and they will be able to pay it off in twenty years on a 4 percent basis. This will require putting into the sinking funds \$7,323. Last year they placed in their sinking funds \$9,823 which will be \$2,000 more than would be required.

The question of metering had been discussed. All the commercial firms had metered. Among the heavy users of water is the C. N. R. the garages and hotels. The water supply was taxed to the utmost during the dry seasons in the last few years, and there has been only 6 or 7 inches of water in the large reservoirs, which in case of fire would be very serious.

If meters were placed in all the homes in the city the Commissioners figured that it would mean an additional expenditure of \$50,000. If the private homes were metered thirty percent would have to be taken out in the winter or they would freeze

**BILLS READ**

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**Central Guardian**

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**BUDGET DEBATE CONTINUED**—Yesterday afternoon in the Legislature the Budget debate was continued by Hon. J. D. Stewart, K. C., leader of the Opposition, and Hon. J. P. McIntyre, Minister of Public Works. Mr. McIntyre had the floor when the House adjourned at 6 p. m., to meet this morning at 10 o'clock.

**PERSONALS**

Mr and Mrs R. L. Cotton returned home from Montreal Wednesday evening, Mrs Cotton having almost completely recovered from her recent operation.

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