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A Law relating to Coal, Culin, and Coke and to Coal Meters and Weighers.

[Enacted, 1st May 1856.]

BE it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville as follows:

Sec. 1. In all Coal, Culin and Coke which shall be brought from any vessel, lighter or other craft in the port of Charlottesville or from any wharf, warehouse, manufactory, or other place, and which shall be sold by weight and not by measure, and any person transacting this clause shall be subjected to a penalty, not exceeding fifty shillings for each offence.

Sec. 2. The City Council shall from time to time license one or more fit and proper persons or persons residing in the City—who may be styled coal-meters and weighers—for the period of one year from the date of each license, whose duty it shall be to weigh all coal and coal as shall be imported and all culm and coke which may be imported into or manufactured and sold in the said City and port, with any and all other articles as shall be required of them to be weighed; and the duty to be paid for such license shall be Five pounds yearly; and any person transacting as licensee who shall refuse or wilfully neglect to perform any of the duties pertaining to his office without just cause, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence a sum not exceeding five pounds.

Sec. 3. Every person who shall be licensed as such coal-meter and weigher before he shall be at act or attempt to exercise his office, shall subscribe to the following oath before the Mayor or Presiding Councilor:

"I do swear that I will faithfully and without fear or partiality execute and perform the duties of Coal Meter and Weigher for the port and City of Charlottesville, which I hold under the authority and power of a Law of the Council in such case made and provided, and according to the best of my skill and ability, to the best of my power, to help me God."

Sworn before me at the City of Charlottesville, this _____ day of _____ 185

Mayor or Presiding Councilor," and any person who shall neglect or refuse to be sworn, who shall act or attempt to exercise his office and weigher without being so sworn, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence a sum not exceeding five pounds.

Sec. 4. Each person before being considered eligible to be licensed as a Coal-meter and weigher, shall be licensed as such meter and weigher in writing, charge the City Council, in which the weighing machine may be placed) must be the owner of or be provided with one or more proper scales or scales of measure, for weighing coal and other articles, and keep the same near the wharf or at some convenient place in the City, and in the use of such coal-meter and weigher at all times during the period of his license, to keep the said scales and weights or weighing machine in proper order and condition, and to maintain the same which may be required of him.

Sec. 5. It shall be lawful for the City Council from time to time to remove or displace any coal-meter and weigher for any fraud or neglect of duty of which he may be convicted in the Mayor's or Police Court.

Sec. 6. No coal-meter and weigher shall act as agent or broker, nor directly or indirectly be engaged, employed or interested in the sale or purchase of any coal, culm or coke, or any other article, on his own behalf or on the behalf of others; and every coal-meter and weigher who, contrary to the provisions of this law, shall act as agent or agent on behalf of any person or persons for the sale of any coal, culm or coke, or be engaged, employed or interested in the sale of any such coal, culm or coke, shall be liable, in addition to the penalty herein provided, not less than by this law required, shall for every offence forfeit a sum not exceeding five pounds.

Sec. 7. The weighing machines now situated at the head of Fowall Wharf shall be moved to such convenient place near Queen Square, as the City Council may meet, and shall be known as the City Warehouse Measures, and the person into whose charge the City Council may commit the same, shall take and subscribe to the following oath, to wit: that he will, in the office it shall be his duty to keep the said weighing machine at all times in proper order and safety, and to weigh all coal, culm, coke, hay, straw, and such other articles as may be offered to be weighed at such weighing machine—to keep a strict and correct account of all the goods weighed, and to give a receipt for the same, which account shall be always open to the inspection of the Mayor and the City Council, and that he will not allow any weighing machine shall be paid into the City Treasury weekly by the City coal-meter and weigher to and for City purposes, and that he will receive and weigh all coal, culm and coke, and shall hold the said situation during the term of his license, and shall be liable to be removed from the same.

Sec. 8. With any quantity of coal, culm,

coke which shall be delivered from any vessel, lighter or other craft in the port aforesaid, or from any wharf, warehouse, manufactory, or other place within the City, the seller thereof shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the purchaser thereof, on the delivery of such coal, culm or coke, a receipt, which shall contain the name of the seller and buyer and of the truckman or other person into whose charge the goods may be delivered, and the weight of the coal, culm or coke contained in each cart, sled or other vehicle; and in case any such cart, sled or other vehicle shall be delivered of such coal, culm or coke before any part of such coal, culm or coke is unloaded, every such cart, sled or other vehicle shall be provided with and pay any sum not exceeding twenty shillings; and in case the truckman or other person attending to the cart, sled or other vehicle, shall not pay any such sum, the coal-meter and weigher shall have given by or by orders of the seller, for the purpose of having delivered to the purchaser thereof, shall refuse or neglect to deliver such ticket to the purchaser or person receiving the same, before any part of such coal, culm or coke shall be unloaded, such truckman or other person so offending shall for every such offence forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding five pounds.

Sec. 9. If in any case, when coal, culm or coke shall be delivered to the purchaser or other person, the weight of the same as delivered thereon shall be expressed in the ticket accompanying the same, the seller or venders thereof or the person delivering the same shall be liable for every such offence, in addition to ten shillings and not exceeding five pounds.

Sec. 10. Every coal-meter and weigher, licensed as aforesaid, shall be provided with the provisions of this law relative to the oath, and possession of the requisite scales and weights, and shall, on signing the prescribed, shall demand and receive for his own use, the following fees:

For weighing every ton of coal, culm, or coke, lining, lime, gypsum or heavy merchandise the sum of 0 0 5
and in proportion for a lesser quantity.

For weighing every load of Hay, Straw or Fodder, not over half a ton, the sum of 0 0 5

For weighing every such load when exceeding half a ton, the sum of 0 0 10

For weighing every such load or vehicle the sum of 0 0 3

Sec. 11. The person in charge of the City weighing machine, for weighing the like articles as aforesaid, shall be provided with this law, shall demand and receive for city purposes the like fees as prescribed in the said law, and shall be liable to the same penalties as aforesaid.

Sec. 12. If any person liable to pay any sum for weighing coal, culm, coke or other articles under such law, shall refuse or neglect to pay the same, such person shall forfeit and pay, in addition to the amount due by such person for such weighing, and the coal-meter and weigher applying for the same, hereby authorized in his own name, as such coal-meter and weigher, to sue for, and recover such fine and amount due for weighing before the Mayor or any of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, which Mayor or Justice is hereby authorized and required, on the oath being made by any such person, to issue a warrant to said, to cause a capias to be issued for the recovery of the same, and immediately to process the same, and to return the same to the judgment may be levied by warrant of distress and sale of the goods and chattels, or of the person so offending, and the same shall be a deforclos, as the case may be, rendering the offender, if any, after deducting the amount and costs of prosecution and sale, to the defendant.

Sec. 13. If the master or owner of a vessel be the seller or vender of such coal, culm or coke as aforesaid, and shall not pay such sum for weighing where duly demanded, the coal meter and weigher shall, and he is hereby fully authorized and required, in so employing any other persons to assist him in doing so, to detain such vessel until the sum due and the penalty of ten shillings with costs be paid, and to receive and keep a correct account of the weights for weighing coal, culm, coke and other articles before the same be used for such purpose as aforesaid, and shall not pay such sum, unless it shall be deemed necessary, in accordance with a law relating to weights and measures for said city, and shall be deemed and employed by the Mayor of weights and measures, and shall give and a certificate in writing granting of the correctness of the same, which certificate shall be given to the person or persons in whose name having charge of such machine, scales and weights, and every such coal-meter and weigher shall be liable to be removed from the same in the duties of his said office to produce and show the said certificate to any person requiring the same, and if either of them refuse or neglect to do so, he shall be liable to be removed and pay a sum not exceeding five pounds

Sec. 15. The persons dealing in coal, culm or coke, and vending the same from any warehouse, manufactory, or other place within the city, shall provide themselves with such scales and weights or weighing machines as may be adjusted and approved by the Mayor and measures, and said dealers in, and retailers of coal, culm or coke, shall be obliged to weigh the same, and to give a receipt, which shall be signed by the person purchasing the same, or by any police constable, and any such dealer in coal, culm or coke, failing to have and keep such scales and weights or weighing machines, or refusing to weigh the coal, culm or coke as aforesaid, upon conviction in the Mayor's or Police Court, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Sec. 16. Every load of articles beside coal, culm or coke, which may be weighed by coal-meters and weighers, or by the licensed coal-meters and weighers, or by the City coal-meter and weigher, shall be accompanied with a ticket as aforesaid, and the person selling such articles or requesting the same to be weighed, shall be liable to pay for the weighing thereof, and the paying of such articles, and the truckman receiving such tickets, shall be subject to the regulations and penalties prescribed in section eight of this law; and any person selling or requesting such articles, or the truckman, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Sec. 17. Nothing herein contained shall prevent any person, from leasing the City weighing machine, to such person or persons, who may approve, and at such annual rent as they may from time to time decide upon, and any person so leasing the same, shall be licensed as aforesaid, the person who may obtain the same, shall be required to take and keep the same in good order, and shall be subject to the other provisions of this law.

Sec. 18. In cases where penalties are inflicted under this law, the offenders against the provisions thereof, not otherwise provided for, on refusing or neglecting to pay the penalties imposed, costs, arrears and distress, may be imprisoned or the offenders be imprisoned in the City Jail for periods not less than three days nor exceeding sixty days.

ROBERT HITCHCOCK, Mayor.
William B. Wellner, City Clerk.
March 7, 1856.

PREDICTIONS ON THE EMPEROR NICHOLAS IN 1846.—The *Indianapolis Journal* gives the following extract from a lecture given by the Hon. H. W. Ellsworth, late American Minister to London, being the substance of the late Emperor Nicholas, as translated in an interview with the lecturer:—"Sir, said the Emperor Nicholas, in a memorable diplomatic interview between him and your speaker, during the recent revolutions that struck down Hungary, Romania, France, and broke the bonds of union between Denmark and the reunited Duchy, causing nearly every monarch to tremble for his throne—"Sir I view calmly all this agitation. Russia is untouched, and will not be mingled with it. Her hour is not yet come, though her danger is not to be denied! She will soon be involved in protracted contest, in which England and France will be her opponents; those nations, so long and so naturally hostile to each other, will be arrayed in union against her."

"And what, your Majesty, will be the result of this great contest?"

"Favorable beyond doubt to Russia. I shall rise superior to all reverses, and protect the contest till I worry out my enemies. But there is another war looming in the distance, a struggle between continental and unrestricted monarchy on the one hand, and democracy opposed to Russia, while Turkey, her ancient enemy, with Persia and Asia will be fighting at her side."

"And how is to result the second contest?"

"I still favourable to Russia, though it will be bloody and protracted. But a third, and still mightier contest is approaching, in which the world will be involved,—a struggle between what is called tyranny in any form, and freedom. Into this struggle your nation is drawn from its present policy, and compelled to take a decided part. It will be a struggle such as history never has recorded."

PIEDMONT AND AUSTRIA.

The following is an extract from the Paris correspondence of *Le Nord*, the Russian journal of Brussels: "During a few days ago with a high percentage of the court, Count Cavour did not conceal his complaints against the Conference, for refusing to interfere in the affairs of Italy against Austria, which power had in its favour the majority of the plenipotentiaries. He ended with saying there will be revolutions in Italy before the year is out. The minister of Victor Emmanuel, said he had uttered his prophecy with some show of reason. At present a Piedmontese army from the Crimea is about to enter the Gulf of Spezia, Austria brings her troops to the frontier of Piedmont. It is easy to foresee the possibility of a conflict. England will sustain Piedmont. France also would cordially interfere with the object of reconciling the revolution with the interests of the Pope. Austria, who left Russia to combat singly with the Allied powers, could not in the case of a conflict in Italy, rely upon Russia."

A monument is about to be erected to John Wesley at Epworth, to be the principal town in the Isle of Axholme, near Lincolnshire, which was the place of his birth. The design represents John Wesley attired in a gown, with a bible in his hand, and preaching from a tombstone, having delivered a sermon from the stone over his father's grave in Epworth churchyard.

Since the breaking out of the war, 124 gentlemen have been appointed without purchase; 317 commissions have been given to militia officers in consideration of having obtained volunteers; and 170 non-commissioned officers have received commissions without purchase—total, 1728.

The *Court Journal* says that the entrance of the guards into London will be made the occasion of the first distribution of the new order of valour—"The Order of the Cross"—with which it is likely Her Majesty will, in person, decorate the most meritorious of her officers who have been previously declared entitled to the honour.

WEARING FLANNEL.—Put it on at once; winter or summer, nothing better can be worn next the skin than a loose, red, woollen, flannel shirt; "loose," for it has room to move on the skin, thus causing a titillation which draws the blood to the surface and keeps it there; and when that is the case no canal falls cold; "red," for white flannel gets heavy, mats together, and becomes tight, stiff, heavy, and impervious. Cotton wool merely absorbs the moisture from the surface, while woollen flannel conveys it from the skin and deposits it in drops on the outside of the shirt, from which the ordinary cotton shirt absorbs it, and by its nearer exposure to the exterior air, it is soon dried without injury to the body.

MISS ELIZABETH.

Having these properties, red woollen flannel is worn by sailors during the winter summer of the hottest countries. Wear a thinner material in summer.—Hall's Journal of Health.

KISSING AT A CERTAIN AGE.—A celebrated dandy was one evening in company with a young lady, and observing her kiss her favourite poodle, he advanced, and begged the like favour, remarking that she ought to have as much chaff for him, as she had shown to a dog.

"Yes, sir," said the belle, "I never kissed my dog when he was a puppy." The fellow took the hint and was off.