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A By-law amending the By-law respecting Theatres and Public Shows.

Be it enacted by the City Council, of the City of Charlottetown, that section one of the said By-law, be amended by adding the following words.

Provided never the less, that it shall be lawful for the City Council, upon the application of the owners or managers of any Opera House, Music Hall or other Public Hall of any kind, to grant a yearly license for such sum as may be determined upon, by resolution of said Council.

JAMES WARBURTON, M. D. Mayor. H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk.

A By-law Respecting the Sale of Meat.

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:-

1. Every person publicly selling meat (fresh, salted or corned) by retail within this city in any store, shop, house, warehouse or other building or in the public market building or in or from any meat wagon, cart, carriage, sleigh or other vehicle upon the public streets or highways of the said City by retail or in less quantities than by the carcass, shall obtain from the Mayor thereof a License as a meat Vendor, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to issue such License upon receiving the License fee hereinafter mentioned.

2. The License fee shall be Twenty-five dollars per annum.

3. No person shall expose for sale or publicly sell fresh, salted or corned meat by retail or in less quantities than by the carcass in any store, house, shop, warehouse or other building or place or in the public market building, or in or from any meat wagon, cart, carriage, sleigh or other vehicle within the said City, without having first obtained a License therefor in manner above mentioned.

4. Any person or persons guilty of any infraction of any of the Provisions of this By-law, shall, upon conviction before the Stipendiary Magistrate on the oath or affirmation of any credible witness, forfeit and pay at the discretion of the Stipendiary Magistrate a penalty not exceeding the sum of Thirty Dollars for each offence, exclusive of costs, and in default of payment thereof it shall and may be lawful for the said Stipendiary Magistrate to commit the offender to the Common Jail of the County of Queen's County for any period not exceeding thirty days, unless the said penalty and costs be sooner paid. Provided always that nothing in this By-law contained shall be construed to prevent persons from selling meat by the quarter on the public or market square adjoining the market building without such license, but all persons shall have the right thereon to sell meat of all kinds by the quarter on payment of the usual market tolls as at present or at any time hereafter may be provided. And Provided further that nothing herein contained shall be construed to require persons selling tinned or canned meats poultry or game to take out the License above mentioned.

JAMES WARBURTON, M. D. Mayor. H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk.

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THE NEW FRANCHISE BILL.

Mr. Martin's Criticism.

THE BILL ESSENTIALLY OBJECTIONABLE.

Mr. Martin—Mr. Speaker, I shall not detain the House for any length of time with the few observations I have to make on this bill. It is true that we had a somewhat similar measure before the House last session, and some discussion upon it. It is true, also, that the Government made a great deal of noise about the Franchise Act, and we were led to believe we would have a bill not exactly of the mongrel character of the measure now before the House. No doubt there were some serious objections to the old franchise laws it was perhaps cumbersome and expensive, but at the same time there was a great deal in that Act which commended itself to the better judgment of our people. It was a Bill that applied to the whole Dominion and gave uniform franchise to all, in accordance with the principal laid down in the British North America Act. In that way, Sir, it was an Act worthy of a progressive country such as Canada is to-day. I do not think, that the mongrel character of the franchise which will prevail under this Bill now submitted to us by the Government, will commend itself to the electors of this Dominion. We will have in this Parliament under this Bill one franchise for Quebec, another for Ontario, another for New Brunswick, and so on, and in the case of the province in which I have the honour to represent a constituency, I do not think this Bill is applicable at all. In the first place, we have not in the province of Prince Edward Island any system of registration. True there was a system of registration in that province over twenty years ago, and according to section 5, subsection "c" of this Bill, if an election for the Dominion House were to be held there now the lists that would be used would be the lists prepared over twenty years ago. Section 5, Subsection "c" says:

(c) The voters' lists shall be those prepared for the several polling divisions so established and which on the day next preceding the day fixed for the nomination of candidates for such Dominion election were in force or were last in force under the laws of that province for the purpose of provincial elections.

Now, if an election were held in Prince Edward Island under this Bill, as it stands, the lists to be used would be lists that were prepared previous to the year 1879 because the Registration Act in force in Prince Edward Island had been repealed in that year, and if there was a revision at all, it must have taken place in some year before 1879. I think that is a very serious oversight in the Bill, so far as it affects the province from which I have the honour to come. I do not know by what means the Government propose to overcome that difficulty. They may get their friends in the local government of Prince Edward Island to introduce a Registration Act; but the province for its own purposes does very well without a Registration Act, and I do not think it would be fair for this House or this Government to impose upon that province the burden and expense of preparing a system of registration and voters' lists for the purpose of holding Dominion elections. That is one insuperable objection which will cause me to vote against this Bill. This Bill proposes a retrograde step. Under the old Franchise Act we had a uniform franchise from one end of the Dominion to the other; but now we adopt a system of franchises which may hold in a province to-day, but which may be changed entirely at the next session of the legislature; and the effect of the operation of the bill will be that the candidates for this Parliament will not know exactly under what franchise they may have to run their election. We had some experience in this respect in P. E. Island. I do not think that is a condition of things which hon. members of this House will support. I am willing to admit that there is very serious objection to the Franchise Act now in force, on account of its expense. The expenses in connection with it come under three heads: First, the expense to the Dominion Government; second, the expense to the candidate; and third, the expense to the elector, as well as his trouble in getting his name put on the voters' list. How does this Bill propose to get rid of these expenses? The Bill does not pro-

pose to lessen the expense of the candidate in any way. He has to take the same care in revising the lists under the proposed Bill as he does under the law at present. Then, the expense of the Federal Government is to be thrown upon the local governments. If hon. gentlemen opposite propose to do that, I think they might very well have proceeded one step further. They might have said, While you are revising the voters' list for the municipalities and for the province, you might as well add a third column for a Dominion list. For instance, I understand that in Ontario there are two lists made up, one list for the municipalities, which is put in one column, and another list for the local legislature, which is put in another column. Why not, while you are about it, add a third column, containing the names of those who are qualified to vote in Dominion elections, under a uniform qualification all over the Dominion? It may require a little more machinery in the Bill than it has at present, but it is not an impossible task. This would give uniformity. Perhaps the objection may be raised that the Federal Parliament cannot compel the local governments to perform that work; but under the provisions of this Bill the Federal Parliament compels the local government to do something very nearly a kin to it, because I find that section 8 reads as follows:

Where under the laws of a province the voters' lists for any provincial electoral district or division are prepared not at regular intervals, but at such times as are fixed by the Lieutenant Governor and Council, or some other provincial or local authority, or only from time to time for the purpose of a general or other election in immediate contemplation, the last preceding voters' lists so prepared shall be used for the purpose of any Dominion election in the territory comprised in such provincial electoral district or division, or any part thereof, if such lists have been prepared not more than one year before the date of the writ for such Dominion election; otherwise, new voters lists shall be prepared, and for the purpose of preparing and giving effect to such voters' lists the Governor in Council may appoint all necessary officers and confer upon them all necessary powers, and in the preparation of such revision, and bringing into force of such new voters' lists the provisions of the laws of the province regulating the preparation and revision and bringing into force of the provincial voters' lists in such cases shall, as far as possible, be observed and followed.

It is here laid down, that, when the voters' lists for the provinces are more than a year old, the provinces will be compelled to make up new lists. The bill imposes on the provinces new labour, and I do not see why, in order to have uniformity, we should not impose on them the further task of having the lists for the provincial legislatures and for the House of Commons prepared at the same place. If that will not prove sufficient, I would commend to the hon. Solicitor General the advisability of having both the provincial and Dominion lists prepared by joint officers appointed by the Dominion and local governments. This would, to some extent, relieve the great trouble and expense to the electors in attending to more than one revision. Those revisions for the local Legislature and the Dominion could be proceeded with simultaneously and if this would require more machinery, it would, as regards general utility and practical purposes, remove the defects of this Bill and a great deal of the labour and expenditure imposed on candidates both for the local legislatures and the Dominion Parliament.

I do not intend to proceed at any great length in further discussing this Bill. The great objection to it is, that it is not such a measure as the constitution of this country requires. Canada, we are told, has lately become a nation. I do not know what has made Canada a nation, but I am sure that the introduction of this mongrel franchise is not one of those things which would entitle Canada to be called a nation. I might proceed and discuss some of the other clauses, but, as they will come up again in committee, I shall wait until that stage is reached. The objections to the Bill are, in my opinion, insuperable; and, until they are eliminated, I cannot support it.

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THINGS TO MAKE A NOTE OF.

It will be a rare treat to hear Miss Lefurgey's reading from Ben Hur. "The Chariot Race." Easter Monday night.

The dancing classes at Terpsichore Hall, Great George Street, will reopen on Wednesday 13th inst. at 4 and 8 p.m.

The rehearsal of the Opera, "The Doctor of Alcantara," will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in St. Patrick's Hall. Ladies and gentlemen taking part are

Local and Other Items.

NOTICE REGARDING ADVERTISEMENTS.—All copy of changes of advertisements, and all notices of meetings, lectures, etc. must be handed in to this office before 10 a.m. each day to be certain of being inserted.

FOR DRILL.—No. 1 Co., C. A., will meet for drill to-night at eight.

THE WEATHER.—West and northwest wind, local snow, most part fair and cool.

GOOD FRIDAY.—St. Peter's Cathedral: Childrens service 10 a.m., Matins 11 a.m. Addresses on the "Seven Last Words of Our Lord" 1.30—4.30 p.m. Litany 5.30. Evensong and sermon 7.30.

TONIGHT.—There will be a free meeting in the Y. W. C. T. U. Parlor this evening at 7.30 o'clock which the young ladies are invited to attend. "Tobacco" will be discussed fully at this meeting.

PRINCE OF WALES COLLEGE.—The Prince of Wales College closed today at 12 o'clock for the Easter holidays. It will reopen on Monday the 13th inst. Most of the students left on the afternoon trains today.

FIRE AT LOT 7.—The barn of Mr. Theodore Wright, of Lot 7, was destroyed by fire last night together with 20 tons of hay and all the farming implements. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of the supposed incendiary. Loss \$750. No insurance.

LOVE FEAST.—Tomorrow night a love feast will be held in Grace Church at 7 o'clock. The Rev. A. D. McLeod will deliver an address and assist the pastor. H collection will be taken at the service in behalf of the superannuated fund. Come and have an enjoyable time in this religious service.

WORD FROM VANCOUVER.—A letter has been received from Mr. Patrick Cullen, who left here for Vancouver some weeks ago. In his letter Mr. Cullen says that himself, Chappell and Lifferty have obtained work in a large iron foundry, and that he (Cullen) receives \$1.75 a day as wages. Board in Vancouver ranges from \$4.50 to \$7, and the accommodation is poor at that. Judging by the tone of Mr. Cullen's letter Vancouver is a good place for Islanders to keep away from.

AN UNFORTUNATE FAMILY.—According to a late despatch from St. Flavie, Que., Antoine Roi, of that place is a most unlucky man. Not long ago he lost his position on the railway. Eight days ago his niece, Miss Lavoie, an orphan, who lived with him succumbed to consumption. On Sunday evening his young daughter, Alma, aged twenty years, died after only a few days illness. To these misfortunes may be added the illness of his son, Adelar, who is suffering from a dangerous affection of the throat. Madame Roi, who has suffered terribly from this succession of shocks, is in a very critical state of health and great sympathy is felt in the locality for the afflicted family.

PERSONAL.

Miss Maisie Coady, is home from Mount St. Vincent, Halifax, for the Easter holidays.

Prince Bismarck celebrated the 83rd anniversary of his birth, on the 1st inst. giving a banquet to 22 guests.

Mr. Philip Steele who has been in King's County for the last few months arrived home last evening.

Mr. S. A. McLeod, of the firm of Moore & McLeod, was a passenger on the Stanley yesterday on return from a business trip to the Old Country.

Mr. L. E. Prowse, M. P. P., has returned from a business trip to the Old Country. He arrived in Charlottetown last evening.

The King-ton Freeman, a Roman Catholic weekly newspaper, has the following kindly reference to Archbishop Lewis of the Anglican Church in Ontario: "On Friday last His Grace, Dr. Lewis, celebrated the 36th anniversary of his appointment to the See of Ontario. His own immediate congregation fittingly honored the auspicious occasion, and all our citizens, without distinction of creed, joined heart and soul in the well-deserved tribute of affection and love to him who in that long period of time has ever merited the best regards of all who value true worth of character and goodness of heart."

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