



BY-LAW NO.

A By-Law to authorize aid by the City of Chatham for the promotion of a Pork Packing and Bacon Curing Industry in the said City, and to provide for the issue of debentures of the said City to the amount of \$31,500.00, and to raise the sum required therefor.

Provisionally adopted, December 11th, 1903.

Finally passed 19-
Whereas it is proposed by Henry Wybrow, of the City of Chatham, England, to build, equip and operate an establishment in the said City of Chatham for pork packing and bacon curing;

And Whereas the said Henry Wybrow has applied to the Municipal Council of the said City of Chatham to grant aid for the promotion of said pork packing and bacon curing industry;

And Whereas the said Council is desirous of granting aid for the promotion of such industry by way of purchase of ten acres of land as a site for the carrying on of such pork packing and bacon curing industry, to cost not more than \$1,500.00, and by way of loan of \$30,000.00, to be advanced upon the completion of the building and equipment of the factory in connection therewith and forthwith after the beginning of operations therein and the employment of one hundred men in connection therewith, as herein provided, (such loan to be repaid in ten equal annual consecutive instalments of \$3,000.00 each, with interest at the rate of three per centum per annum from the date of such advance by the City) and

free supply of water from the Chatham Water Works for the said factory (not to exceed, however, at any time three thousand gallons per day) for the period of ten years, to be computed from the time of the first use of such water for the building or carrying on of such industry, and exemption from taxation, (other than school taxes and frontage rates) of all the property occupied by and in connection with the said factory or the business carried on therein for the period of ten years from and after the first day of January, A. D. 1904, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. That the said Wybrow do build and equip in the City of Chatham during the year 1904 a factory and plant with suitable machinery, appliances, and appurtenances for pork packing and bacon curing;

2. That the said Wybrow will expend in building the said factory and other buildings and warehouses in connection therewith and in equipping the said factory and other buildings and warehouses not less than \$30,000.00, so that the sum when completed shall be worth not less than the said sum;

3. That the said Wybrow will continuously during ten years from and after the time the said loan shall be made employ in and about the factory at least one hundred men all of whom shall reside within the limits of the City of Chatham; provided, however, that this condition shall not be binding upon the said Wybrow should he, against and contrary to his will, be stopped or prevented from continuing by reason of strikes or other conditions not caused by or contributed to by the said Wybrow in the opinion of the Council of the said City;

4. That the total value of the investment to be made by the said Wybrow in building and equipping the said factory and other buildings and warehouses in connection therewith shall be at least \$30,000.00 over and above any mortgage, lien or charge thereon and above the liabilities of the said Wybrow in connection with said business (other than the liability to the City of Chatham in respect of the said loan) and shall continue to be that much in excess of the mortgages, liens or charges and liabilities during the whole time that the said loan of \$30,000.00 or any part thereof is unpaid;

5. That the repayment of the said loan of \$30,000.00 shall be secured by a first mortgage upon all the property, machinery and plant of the said Wybrow in the said City of Chatham, and such mortgage shall contain the usual statutory powers, covenants and conditions, and shall provide for the insurance of the said property against fire or lightning in favor of the corporation of the City of Chatham, to the full amount of the said mortgage, and shall be satisfactory in form to the said Council;

6. That should the said Wybrow fail or omit to perform or comply with any of the terms or conditions above set forth at any time or times during the currency of said mortgage the said sum of \$30,000.00, or so much thereof as may be unpaid at the time of such failure of performance, shall, upon demand in writing being made, therefor by or on behalf of the said corporation or Council at any time or times hereafter, specifying the non-performance, become immediately due and payable by the said Wybrow to the said corporation, and upon the same or any similar event at any time or times thereafter the said corporation or Council may, by giving notice in writing terminate the period during which the said property shall be exempt from taxation, and such exemption shall thereupon cease and said property shall forthwith become liable for taxes, and at any time or times hereafter the said corporation or Council may completely stop the said free supply of water;

7. That the said Wybrow shall at all times until he shall have repaid the said sum of \$30,000.00, permit full and free inspection of his premises and pay-rolls by any person or persons appointed for that purpose by the Council of the said corporation.

8. Provided always that the aid to be given to the said Wybrow may be at his written request transferred and set over and given to a joint stock company, formed or to be formed by him or at his request for the purpose of undertaking the building and equipping and operation of the said factory, upon the said company to the satisfaction of said Council, satisfying and complying with and under taking the performance of all the terms and conditions hereinbefore mentioned, and set forth as being required to be satisfied, complied with or undertaken by the said Wybrow and upon the said company putting itself in all respects in relation to the said Corporation as said Wybrow would be in were he to receive the said aid himself upon the terms and conditions above set forth.

And Whereas, it is desired to authorize the entering into an agreement on the part of the Corporation with the said Wybrow, providing for the giving of the said aid upon the terms and conditions above set forth.

And Whereas, in order to carry out such agreement on the part of the Corporation it will be necessary to issue debentures of the said Corporation for the sum of \$31,500, as herein-after provided (which is the amount of the debt intended to be created by this by-law) the proceeds of the said debentures to be applied to the purpose aforesaid and no other.

And Whereas, it is desirable to issue the said debentures at one time and to make the principal of the said debt repayable by yearly sums during the period of ten years, being the currency of the said debentures; said yearly sums being of such respective amounts that the aggregate amount payable in each year for principal and interest in respect of said debt shall be as nearly as possible equal to the amount so payable in each of the other nine years of said period.

And Whereas, the total amount required by "The Municipal Act" to be raised annually by special rate for paying the said debt and interest, as hereinafter provided, is \$3,883.66.

And Whereas, the amount of the whole rateable property of the City of Chatham, according to the last revised assessment roll thereof, is \$3,764,234.00.

And Whereas, the amount of the existing debenture debt of the said Corporation is \$477,815.80, no part whereof for principal or interest is in arrears.

Therefore, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Chatham enacts as follows:

1. The Municipal Council of the said City shall grant aid for the promotion of the said manufacturing industry on the terms and conditions hereinbefore set forth, and the Mayor and Clerk of the said Corporation are hereby authorized to execute an agreement on the part of the said Corporation upon the said terms and conditions to give such aid.

2. That for the purpose of raising the said sum of \$31,500, the Mayor and Treasurer of the said corporation shall issue and sell debentures of the said Corporation to the amount of \$31,500, as aforesaid, the sums of not less than \$100 each, which debentures shall be dated on the date of issue thereof, and shall be payable within ten years thereafter at the Standard Bank of Canada in the said City of Chatham.

3. Each of the said Debentures shall be signed by the Mayor of the said City of Chatham or by some other person authorized by By-Law to sign the same, and by the Treasurer thereof, of the said City of Chatham, and the Clerk shall attach thereto the Corporate Seal of the said Corporation.

4. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable yearly, and shall be payable in such amounts and at such times that the aggregate amount payable for principal and interest in any year in respect of the debt shall be equal as nearly as may be to what is payable for principal and interest during each of the other nine years of the said period.

5. During the currency of the said debentures there shall be raised annually by special rate on all the rateable property in the said City of Chatham the sum of \$3,883.66, for the purpose of paying the amount due in each of the said years for principal and interest in respect of the said debt.

6. This By-Law shall take effect on the final passing thereof.

7. The votes of the electors of the said City of Chatham shall be taken on this By-Law at the following times and places, that is to say: On Monday, the fourth day of January, A. D. 1904, commencing at the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon and continuing until five o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, by the following deputy returning officers:— 1, at the Office of Scott Bros., near corner Head and Thames streets, by John Rice, Deputy Returning Officer.

2, at the Office of Scott Bros., near corner Head and Thames streets, by John Rice, Deputy Returning Officer.

3, at the Police Station, S. S. of Thames street, by Robert Brunner, Deputy Returning Officer.

4, at the Office of J. D. Thompson, N. S. Head street, by Joseph Northwood, Deputy Returning Officer.

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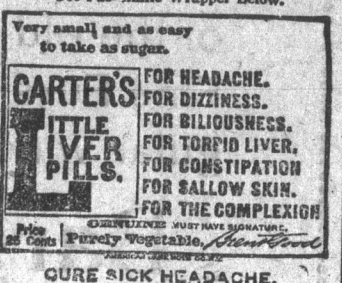
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In and for Polling Sub-Division No. 12, at the residence of Mrs. Carrie Galsman, corner Queen and Gray streets, by John R. Snell, Deputy Returning Officer.

In and for Polling Sub-Division No. 13, at the residence of J. A. Sisson, corner William and Witherspoon streets, by W. A. Wilson, Deputy Returning Officer.

In and for Polling Sub-Division No. 14, at the bakery of Joseph Waterhouse, corner Park and Esplanade streets, by J. C. Richards, Deputy Returning Officer.

In and for Polling Sub-Division No. 15, at the residence of Patrick Kelly, corner Park and Pine streets, by J. C. Northwood, Deputy Returning Officer.

On Thursday, the 31st day of December, A. D. 1903, the Mayor of the said City of Chatham shall attend at the City Clerk's office, in Harrison Hall, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to appoint persons to attend at the various polling places aforesaid, and at the final summing up of the votes by the Clerk on behalf of the persons interested in and opposing the said By-Law respectively.

9. The Clerk of the Council of the said City of Chatham shall attend at his office in Harrison Hall, in the said City of Chatham, at two o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, the 7th day of January, 1904, to sum up the number of votes for and against the By-Law.

Mayor. Clerk.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the foregoing copy of By-Law is a true copy of a proposed By-Law which has been taken into consideration and will be passed by the Council in the event of the assent of the electors being obtained therefor, after one month from the first publication in the newspapers hereinafter mentioned, said first publication in the Chatham Daily Planet and Daily News newspapers, being the 12th day of December, 1903.

And further notice is hereby given that at the hour, day and place therein fixed for taking the votes of the electors the polls will be held.

W. G. MERRITT, Clerk of the Council of the City of Chatham.

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ABNER DANIEL

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"I don't know about that," replied Pole thoughtfully. "I was doing all I agreed, and if they could afford to pay 10 per cent to anybody they ought as well as I to pay it to me. I drew tride to the whole town. The cigars are a lot. I've set up many a night telling them mosbacks tales to make 'em laugh."

"Well, if you ever get into any trouble let me know," said Trabee as he rose to go. "I'll defend you at half price. You'd be a sight o' help to a lawyer. I'll be hanged if I ever seed a better case 'an you made out in the mayor's court, and you hadn't a thing to back it up with nuther."

The hay was unloaded and the wagons driven away. Fincher stood eying Pole with admiration. "It's a fact," he said. "You could 'a' made some'n' out o' yore'self if you'd 'a' been educated 'an' had a showin'."

Pole jerked his thumb over his shoulder at Craig, who was standing in the front of looking out into the street. "Everybody don't git a fair showin' in this world," Mr. Fincher, he said. "That man Craig hain't been treated right."

The jovial expression died out of the merchant's face, and he leaned against the door jamb. "You are right thar," he said—"dead right. He's been mighty unlucky and had treated."

Pole grasped the brim of his massive hat and drew it from his shaggy head. "It makes me all fired mad sometimes, Mr. Fincher, to hear folks a-runnin' that man down that I want to fight. I ain't no religious man myself, but I respect one, 'an' I've always put him down in my book as a good man."

"So've I," said the merchant, and he looked toward the subject of their conversation and called out, "Craig, oh, Craig, come back heer a minute."

Pole put on his hat and stared at the ground. He made a gesture as if of protest, but refrained from speaking. "What's wanted?" Craig came down to them. He was smoking a cigar and wore a comfortable look, as if he had been fighting a hard but successful fight and now heard only random shots from a fleeing enemy.

"You ain't a candidate fer office," laughed Fincher, "but nearly all men like to know they've got friends. This chap he's been standin' up fer you. He says it makes him mad to hear folks talk agin' you."

"Oh, it's Baker," exclaimed the ex-banker, shaking hands with Pole and beaming on him. "Well, I don't know a man I'd rather have for a friend," he said smoothly.

Pole tossed his head and looked straight into the speaker's eye. "I'm fer human justice, Mr. Craig," he said. "An' I don't think folks has treated you right. What man is thar that don't do the same to you?"

"You've always had means, an' I never be anything but a pore mountain boy, but I've always looked on you as a good man, a law abidin' man, an' I don't like to hear folks try to blame you fer what another man done. When you had plenty, I never come nigh you, because I knowed you belonged to one life 'an' me another, but now you are flat o' yore back, sir, I'm yore friend."

Craig's face beamed. He pulled his beard; his eyes danced.

"I'm glad there are men in the world like you, Baker," he said. "I say I'm glad, and I mean it."

Fincher had begun to look over the figures in his book and walked to the front.

"Oh, my friendship ain't worth nothin'," said Pole. "I know that. I never was in the shape to help nobody, but I know when a man's treated right or wrong."

"Well, if you ever need assistance and I can help you, don't fail to call on me," Craig spoke with a tone of sincerity.

Pole took a deep breath and lowered his voice, glancing cautiously into the house, as if fearful of being overheard. "Well, I do need advice, Mr. Craig," he said—"not money nor nothin' expensive. But I've laid awake night after night wishin' 'at I could run on some man of experience that I could ask fer advice 'an' that I could trust. Mr. Craig, I'll be blamed if I don't feel like tellin' you some'n' that never has passed my lips."

Craig stared in interested astonishment. "Well, you can trust me, Baker," he said, "and, if I can advise you, why, I'll do it with pleasure."

There was a cotton compress near by, with its vast sheds and platforms, and Pole looked at it steadily. He thrust his hand into his pants pocket and kept it there for a full minute; then he shook his head, drew out his hand and said: "I reckon I won't bother you today, Mr. Craig. Some day I'll come in town 'an' tell you, but—Pole looked at the sun. "I reckon I'd better be goin'."

"Hold on!" Craig caught Pole's arm. The ex-banker was a natural man. Despite his recent troubles he had his share of curiosity, and Pole's manner and words had aroused it to unwonted activity. "Hold on," he said. "What's your hurry? I've got time to spare if you have."

Pole hung his head for a moment in silence; then he looked the old man in the face. "Mr. Craig," he began in even a lower voice, "do you reckon thar's any gold in them mountains?" Pole added to the blue wave in the east.

Craig was standing near a bale of cotton, and he sat down on it, first parting the tails of his long, black coat.

"I don't know; there might be," he said, deeply interested and yet trying to appear indifferent. "There is plenty of it in the same range farther down about Dalton's."

Pole had his hand in the right pocket of his rough jean trousers. "Is thar anybody in this town that could tell a piece o' gold ef they seed it?" he asked.

"Oh, a good many, I reckon," said Craig, a steady beam of excitement in his unsteady eye. "I can myself. I spent two years in the gold mines of California when I was a young man."

"You don't say! I never knowed that," Pole had really heard of that fact, but his face was straight. He had managed to throw into it a most wonderful blending of fear and overcautiousness.

"Oh, yes; I've had a good deal of experience in such things."

"You don't say?" Pole was looking toward the compress again.

Craig laughed out suddenly and put his hand on Pole's shoulder with a friendly, downward stroke.

"You can trust me, Baker," he said persuasively, "and it may be that I could be of assistance to you."

There was something like an actual tremor of agitation in Pole's rough hand as he drew his little nugget from its resting place at the bottom of his pocket. With a deep, indrawn breath he handed it to Craig. "Is that thar little lump gold or not?" he asked.

Craig started visibly as his eyes fell on the piece of gold. But he took it indifferently and examined it closely.

"Where did you run across that?" he asked.

"I want to know ef it's the pure thing," answered Pole.

Craig made another examination, obviously to decide on the method he would apply to a situation that claimed all his interest.

"I think it is," he said—"in fact, I know it is."

Pole took it eagerly, thrust it back into his pocket and said:

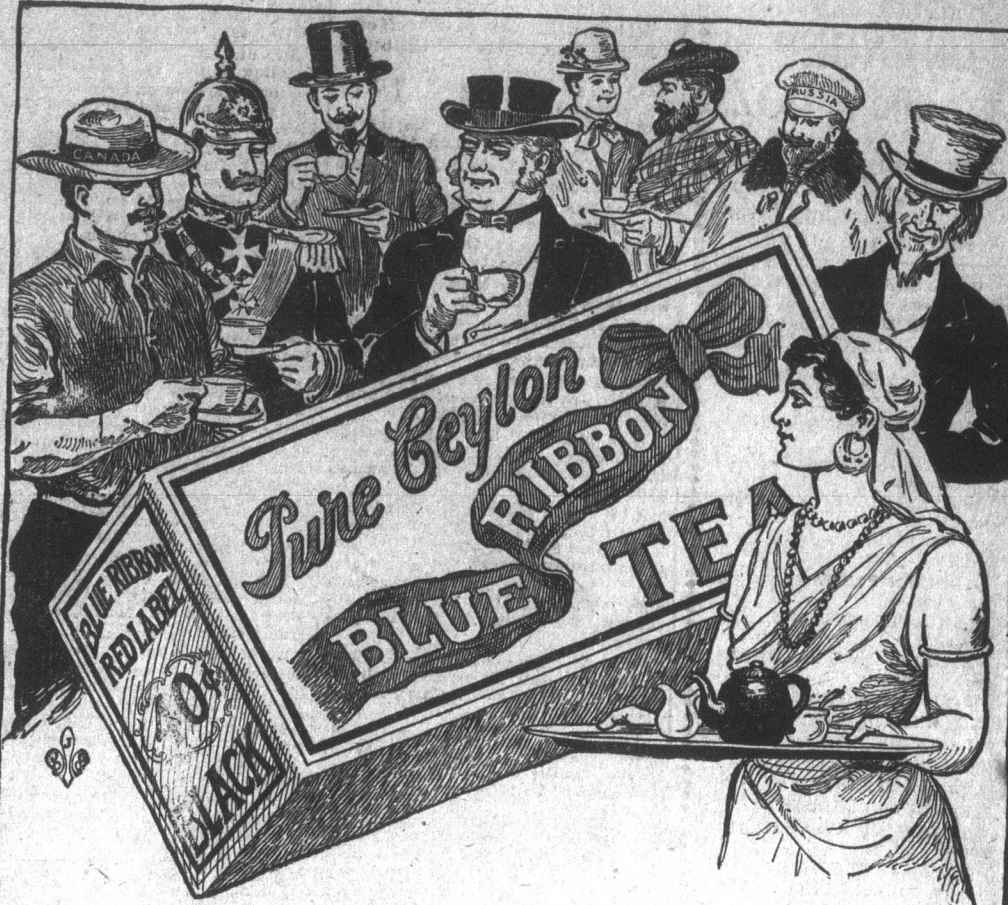
"Mr. Craig, I know whar thar's a vein o' that stuff twenty yards thick, runnin' clean through a mountain."

"You do?" Craig actually paled under his suppressed excitement.

"Yes, sir, an' I kin buy it, lock, stock and barrel, fer five hundred dollars. The fellow that owns it ud jump at it like a duck on a June bug. That's my secret, Mr. Craig. I hain't one dollar to my name, but from this day on I'm goin' to work hard 'an' save my money till I own that property. I'm a gold-digger down to Atlanta next week, whar people don't know me, 'an' have a lump of it bigger 'n this examined, 'an' ef it's gold I'll own the land sooner or later."

Craig glanced to the rear.

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