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formance of any kind whatsoever, either as itinerant players, showmen, Ethiopian, or other minstrels, or exhibiters of novelties, curiosities, wonderful animals, or any other matter or thing whatsoever, without having first previously obtained permission from the Mayor of the said City so to do; and without having first paid the Treasurer of the said City, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, as and for said permission (if granted); and without having also paid the said Treasurer the further sum of Twelve Dollars, for each and every day or night such performance or exhibition shall be opened to the public; provided that when the performance is of a minor character, or the exhibition of but little interest, it may be competent to the Mayor for the time being to reduce the aforesaid rates to any amount he may deem reasonable.

Penalty.

Sec. 28. All persons offending against any of the provisions of the next preceding section, shall incur a Penalty not exceeding Twenty Dollars; and be liable to an Imprisonment not exceeding Thirty Days, for each offence.

Ferry boats.

Sec. 29. An annual duty of Two Hundred Dollars shall be paid by the proprietor or proprietors of each and every steam terry-boat or other steam-boat, plying for hire or for the conveyance of persons, by water, to the said City, from any part of the parishes of Labrairie de la Magdelaine and Longueuil, or from any wharf or wharves adjoining the shore of the said parishes; and the said duty shall be payable by the proprietor or proprietors of each and every such steam ferry-boat or other steam-boat, plying as aforesaid, on or before the twentieth day of May, in each and every year.

Banks.

Sec. 30. An annual duty of Four Hundred Dollars shall be paid on or before the first day of May in each and every year, by each and every person or firm of persons, body corporate, association or institution, being, forming, or constituting, a bank or bank agency, or doing or transacting banking business, or the business of any bank agency, in the said City, or being agents in the said City for any bank, banking house, firm, corporation, or association whatsoever.