

HONGKONG.

ANNO VICESIMO TERTIO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. 5 of 1859.

By His Excellency SIR HERCULES GEORGE ROBERT ROBINSON, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, with the Advice of the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

An Ordinance to authorize the appropriation of a Supplementary Sum not exceeding Four Thousand Pounds, to defray the charges of the Year 1859.

[26th December, 1859.]

Preamble.

Whereas it has become necessary to make further Provision for the Public Service of the Colony for the Year 1859, in addition to the charge upon the Revenue for the Service of the said Year already provided for in the Estimates submitted to the Legislative Council: Be it enacted and ordained by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Supplementary Estimates, 1859.

I. A Sum not exceeding Four Thousand Pounds shall be, and the same is hereby, charged upon the Revenue of this Colony for the Service of the Year 1859, and the said Sum so charged shall be expended as hereinafter specified, that is to say:—

CIVIL ESTABLISHMENTS:	£	s.	d.
The Governor,	792	6	10
Auditor General,	274	6	2
Registrar General,	12	6	9
MEDICAL ESTABLISHMENT,	404	12	3
POLICE,	1,568	4	4
PENSIONS, RETIRED ALLOWANCES, AND GRATUITIES,	262	3	10
TRANSPORT,	506	13	4
SPECIAL EXPENSES,	148	1	7
	<u>£3,968</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>1</u>

HERCULES G. R. ROBINSON.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 26th Day of December, 1859.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO, Clerk of Councils.

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An Ordinance for providing Hospital Accommodation on board Chinese Passenger Ships, and for the Medical Inspection of the Passengers and Crews about to proceed to Sea in such Ships.

[26th December, 1859.]

Preamble.

Whereas it is desirable to provide for the allocation of a Space on board Chinese Passenger Ships, for the purposes of a Hospital or Sick Bay, and also for the Medical Inspection of the Passengers and Crews on board such Ships, with a view to the better securing the Health of Passengers therein: Be it enacted and ordained, by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Hospital accommodation to be provided, and properly fitted up.

I. In every Chinese Passenger Ship there shall be a sufficient Space properly divided off to the satisfaction of the Emigration Officer at the Port of Clearance, to be used exclusively as a Hospital or Sick Bay for the Passengers; this Space shall be either under the Poop, or in the Round-house, or in any Deck-house which shall be properly built and secured to the satisfaction of such Emigration Officer, or on the upper Passenger Deck, and not elsewhere, and shall in no case be of less dimensions than Eighteen clear Superficial Feet for every Fifty Passengers which the Ship shall carry. Such Hospitals shall be fitted with Bed Places, and supplied with proper Beds, Bedding, and Utensils, to the satisfaction of the Emigration Officer at the Port of Clearance, and shall throughout the Voyage be kept so fitted and supplied.

Space for Hospital to be included in measurement of capacity for Passengers.

II. In the measurement of the Passenger Decks, for the purpose of determining the Number of Passengers to be carried in any Chinese Passenger Ship, the Space for the Hospital shall be included.

Passengers and crew to be examined before sailing, by some Medical Practitioner.

III. No Chinese Passenger Ship shall clear out or proceed to Sea on any Voyage of more than Seven Days' duration, until some Medical Practitioner shall have certified to the Emigration Officer, and the said Emigration Officer shall be satisfied, that none of the Passengers or Crew appear, by reason of any bodily or mental Disease, unfit to proceed or likely to endanger the Health or Safety of other Persons about to proceed in such Vessel; and a Medical Inspection of the Passengers for the purposes of giving such Certificate shall take place either on board the Vessel, or, at the discretion of the said Emigration Officer, at such convenient Place on Shore, before embarkation, as he may appoint; and the Master, Owner, or Charterer of the Ship, shall pay to such Medical Practitioner a Sum at the rate of Twenty-five current Dollars, for every Hundred Persons so examined: Provided, that in case the Emigration Officer on any particular occasion shall be unable to obtain such Certificate as aforesaid, or the attendance of a Medical Practitioner within a reasonable time, or without payment of an Inspection Fee at a higher rate than that hereby ordained, then it shall be lawful for the said Emigration Officer to dispense with such Medical Inspection as aforesaid, and to satisfy himself by his own personal examination, (for which he shall receive the Fee hereinbefore ordained to be paid,) of the fit sanitary state of the Crew and Passengers: Provided also, that all Fees received under this Section by the Emigration Officer, or Colonial Surgeon of Hongkong, shall be, within Three Days after the receipt thereof, paid over by the Officer receiving them into the Treasury, to the use of the Crown.

Confirmed - Proclamation of 21 May, 1860.