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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
 OF HONGKONG.

No. 10 of 1863.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1863.

PRESENT:

His Excellency the ACTING GOVERNOR and all the Members, except the ATTORNEY GENERAL and the COLONIAL TREASURER, absent by permission.

The Council met to-day, pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the Council held on the 25th June having been read and approved,

The Council resolved itself into Committee for the further consideration of the Public Carriages Bill as amended at the last Meeting.

Section 4 amended, and agreed to.

Section 7 amended, and agreed to.

Section 9 amended, and agreed to.

Section 11 amended, and agreed to.

Section 13 amended, and agreed to.

Section 15 struck out.

Section 1 recommitted, amended, and agreed to.

Sections 16 and 17, renumbered and ordered to stand as Sections 15 and 16.

Preamble amended and agreed to.

Title amended and agreed to.

The Council having adopted the amendments made in Committee, the ACTING GOVERNOR put the Question—That this Bill as amended do pass, and that the Title be "*An Ordinance to provide for the regulation of Public Vehicles and Chairs and their Drivers and Bearers, and to license the Hire of Horses, within the Colony of Hongkong.*"

Question put and carried, the Ordinance being numbered "*No. 6 of 1863.*"

The Appropriation Bill for 1864 was read a second time;

And the Council went into Committee upon the Estimates for the said Year.

The following Votes were then agreed to:—

Civil Establishments:

The Governor,.....	\$	240
Colonial Secretary,		6,288
Colonial Treasurer,		4,616
Auditor General,		6,722
Clerk of Councils,		72
Surveyor General,.....		8,762
Postmaster General,		15,768
Registrar General,.....		1,290
Harbour Master and Emigration Officer,.....		7,792

Carried forward,.....\$ 51,550

	<i>Brought forward</i> ,.....	\$ 51,550
Judicial Establishment,.....		6,310
Ecclesiastical Establishment,.....		702
Educational Establishment,.....		9,334
Medical Establishment,.....		13,792
Police Magistrates,.....		4,282
Police,.....		126,879
Gaols,.....		39,698
Charitable Allowances,.....		480
Transport,.....		1,500
Works and Buildings,.....		107,140
Roads, Streets and Bridges,.....		102,950
Miscellaneous Services,.....		250
Land and Houses purchased,.....		10,000
Special Expenses, &c.,.....		1,500
	TOTAL ,.....	\$ 476,367

The Appropriation Bill being amended and reported to be in accordance with the foregoing Votes, the ACTING GOVERNOR put the Question,—That this Bill as amended do pass, and that the Title be —“*An Ordinance to apply a Sum not exceeding Four hundred and Seventy-seven thousand Dollars to the Public Service of the Year 1864.*”

Question put and carried, the Ordinance being numbered “*No. 7 of 1863.*”

The Council adjourned *sine die*.

W. T. MERCER,
Acting Governor.

Read and approved, this 28th Day of October, 1863.

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

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Bill, read a first time at a Meeting of the Legislative Council held this day, is published for general information.

By Order,

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

Council Chamber, Hongkong, 28th October, 1863.

HONGKONG.

ANNO VICESIMO SEPTIMO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. of 1863.

By His Excellency WILLIAM THOMAS MERCER, Esquire, Acting 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.

Title. *An Ordinance to amend the Law of Debtor and Creditor in the Colony of Hongkong.*

[1863.]

Preamble.

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Laws relating to Persons who are unable to meet their engagements: Be it therefore enacted and ordained by the Governor of Hongkong with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof in manner following:

When to commence and how to be cited.

I. This Ordinance unless where otherwise specially provided shall commence and take effect from the _____ day of _____ next and may be cited as “The Bankruptcy Ordinance 186 .”

Ordinance No. 3, 1846, repealed.
Proviso.

II. The Ordinance No. 3 of 1846 for the relief of Insolvent Debtors within the Colony of Hongkong is hereby repealed: Provided that every Petition or Proceeding which shall have been presented or commenced under the said Ordinance, before the passing of this Ordinance, shall be carried on and concluded in the same manner as if this Ordinance had not been passed: and that every Offence which shall have been wholly or partly committed before the commencement of this Ordinance, shall be dealt