

The Appropriation Bill being in accordance with the foregoing Votes, the GOVERNOR put the Question, That this Bill do pass, and that the Title be—“*An Ordinance to authorise the appropriation of a Supplementary Sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-two thousand Dollars to defray the charges of the Year 1863.*”

Question put and carried,—the Ordinance being numbered “*No. 3 of 1864.*”

The Bill for the observance of Neutrality during the existing hostilities between the United States and the Confederate States of America, was read a second time;

And the Council went into Committee upon the said Bill.

Sections 1, 2, and 3 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

The Bill having gone through Committee, the GOVERNOR put the Question—That this Bill do pass, and that the Title be—“*An Ordinance to give effect to Her Majesty's Regulations for the observance of Neutrality during the existing hostilities between the United States and the States calling themselves the Confederate States of America.*”

Question put and carried,—the Ordinance being numbered “*No. 4 of 1864.*”

The Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the sites available for the Mint was brought up and read; and it was unanimously resolved that the same be received, and entered on the Minutes.

The Report was as follows:—

HONGKONG, 23rd March, 1864.

SIR,—As the Committee appointed by Your Excellency to take into consideration the situation of a site for the proposed Mint, we have the honor to lay before Your Excellency the conclusion we have come to on the matter.

The sites suggested to us as available, are the following:

Ochterlony Battery,
North of the Bridge at Wong-nei-chong,
Causeway Bay,
Kowloon.

After an inspection of the different positions we recommend to Your Excellency that a site in Causeway Bay be selected.

In forming this opinion we have been chiefly actuated by the following considerations, viz: that the position affords the advantage of easy communication by Land and Water with other parts of the Town, and that there is strong probability, that the ground to be reclaimed and rendered available for building purposes, will find a ready sale, and add materially to the Revenue of the Colony.

The cost of the necessary works to make the ground available, we have not particularly entered upon, but we are of opinion whatever this might be, it would be more than compensated by the value of the ground reclaimed.

It will occur to Your Excellency that the other sites do not possess the advantages that we mention belong to the Causeway Bay Site.—We have, &c.

(Signed,) CHAS. ST. GEO. CLEVERLY.
” ALEX. PERCEVAL.
” C. W. MURRAY.
” F. CHOMLEY.

His Excellency SIR HERCULES ROBINSON,
§c., §c., §c.

The Council adjourned to Saturday, the 16th Proximo, at noon.

HERCULES G. R. ROBINSON,
Governor.

Read and approved, this 16th Day of April, 1864.

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

No. 75.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The Return of the Police and Lighting Rates Collection for the first half of the year 1863, is published for general information, and the Returns for the years 1861 and 1862 are open to inspection at the Government Offices.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 11th April, 1864.

RETURN of First and Second Quarters, 1863,—Continued.

<i>Brought forward</i> ,...\$24,503.40		<i>Brought over</i> ,....\$26,290.50		<i>Brought over</i> ,....\$28,021.50	
Inland Lots.		Inland Lots.		Inland Lots.	
244g.....	4.20	291.294.....	54.00	380.....	4.20
245.....	8.00	291a.....	150.00	381.....	26.40
245a.....	4.80	292.293.....	30.00	382.....	26.40
245b.....	4.20	292a.....	45.00	384.....	49.80
245c.....	4.20	293a.294a.295.....	170.00	385.....	85.80
245d.....	3.60	296.....	9.60	386.....	63.00
245e.....	7.80	297.....	3.60	387.....	16.70
245f.....	7.20	298.....	14.00	388.....	72.60
245g.....	7.80	300.....	4.00	389.....	12.00
246.....	14.10	301.....	4.00	390.....	3.00
246a.....	19.20	302.....	4.40	391.716.....	24.00
246b.246c.....	73.80	303.....	4.80	396.....	37.80
247.....	18.00	304.....	16.20	397.575.....	64.80
247a.....	18.00	305.....	6.60	398.....	42.00
247b.....	18.00	306.....	6.60	399.....	36.00
247c.....	19.20	307.....	6.60	400.....	52.80
247d.....	19.20	308.....	6.60	401.....	54.60
248.....	7.60	309.....	42.00	402.....	36.00
248a.....	9.60	310.....	5.50	403.404.....	58.50
248b.....	18.00	311.....	4.20	406.....	30.00
248c & d.....	49.00	312.....	4.20	407.....	57.80
249.....	9.60	317.319.....	18.00	408.....	236.40
249a.....	12.00	322.....	9.00	409.....	20.60
249b.....	7.80	323.....	4.80	410.....	36.60
249c.....	13.80	324.....	3.00	411.....	82.00
249d.....	11.40	325.....	4.60	412.....	85.00
250.....	12.70	326.....	4.60	417.....	69.20
251.....	149.10	327.....	6.00	420.....	19.20
252.....	17.40	328.....	6.00	421.....	36.60
252a.....	17.40	329.....	19.20	422.....	43.20
252b.....	15.60	330.....	36.60	423.....	309.10
252c.....	15.60	332.....	6.00	424.....	113.00
252d.....	19.20	333.....	8.40	425.....	224.00
253.....	19.20	334.....	15.00	426.....	20.00
253a.....	38.40	335.....	8.40	428.....	28.80
253b.....	36.60	336.....	6.00	429.....	55.00
254.....	10.50	337.....	18.00	430.....	25.80
255.....	32.70	339.....	30.00	431.....	50.00
255a.....	19.80	340.....	55.20	434.....	9.00
255b.....	16.20	341.....	26.40	435.....	11.40
255c.....	16.20	243.....	23.70	436.611.....	10.80
255d.....	19.80	344.....	17.40	437.....	10.50
255e.....	19.80	345.....	37.20	438.....	138.60
256.....	41.40	346.....	14.40	443.....	55.00
256a.....	34.20	347.....	9.60	445.....	40.00
256b.....	7.20	348.....	6.00	451.....	26.40
256c.....	33.00	349.....	80.50	452.....	25.60
256d.....	10.80	350.....	38.40	453.....	34.20
256e.....	10.80	351.....	3.60	454.....	38.20
256f.....	10.80	352.....	21.00	455.....	38.60
258.....	6.60	353.....	12.00	456.....	57.30
259.....	41.00	354.....	46.80	481.....	5.40
262.....	15.20	355.....	18.90	489.....	12.00
263.....	18.80	356.....	72.00	490.....	3.60
264.....	9.00	357.....	8.60	491.....	17.10
265.....	23.60	358.....	24.00	497.....	7.20
268.....	12.00	359.....	19.80	503.....	65.00
269.....	35.10	360.....	28.80	504.....	93.50
269a.....	28.80	361.....	4.20	505.....	36.60
270.....	27.00	362.....	31.80	506.....	45.30
270a.....	14.40	363.....	35.40	507.....	12.00
271.....	28.70	364a.....	1.30	508.....	57.60
272.....	21.60	365.....	14.10	511.....	21.00
273.....	21.60	366.....	18.00	512.....	16.80
275.....	45.60	367.....	18.00	513.....	22.40
276.....	30.00	368.....	26.40	514.....	170.00
277.....	23.70	369.....	72.00	516.....	57.60
279.....	43.20	369a.....	72.00	517-526.....	60.00
280.....	21.00	372.....	48.00	518.....	24.60
281.....	79.50	374.....	9.00	520.....	40.80
282.....	78.00	375.....	3.00	521.....	84.10
282a.....	54.00	376.....	3.00	563.....	21.90
289.....	26.40	377.....	6.00	565-566.....	52.80
290.....	67.80	378.....	9.00	567.....	10.80
<i>Carried over</i> ,.... 26,290.50		<i>Carried over</i> ,.... 28,021.50		<i>Carried over</i> ,.... 31,763.90	

RETURN of First and Second Quarters, 1863,—Continued.

<i>Brought forward,...</i> \$31,763.90	
Inland Lots.	
569	42.60
570	7.40
571	31.50
572	33.00
576	68.40
577	65.00
580	190.00
584	64.80
590	80.00
592	38.40
593	44.70
594	2.90
595	48.80
598	27.00
600	37.80
608	30.00
617	60.00
618	240.00
632	19.20
646	75.00
647	120.00
648	111.00
650	40.00
651	55.20
653	73.80
678	21.60
681	40.00
683	19.20
684	10.60
693	48.00
695	22.80
698	36.00
700	6.60
701	10.80
702	162.00
709	58.00
710	39.24
717	78.90
759	9.60
761	28.80
769	58.50
770	15.75
794	6.00
807	19.20
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	34,061.99
Farm No. 13,	184.35
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	34,246.34
<i>Unassessable.</i>	
Inland Lots.	
106	18.00
159	58.40
215	15.00
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TOTAL,	91.40
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VILLAGES.	
1 Sy-ing-poon,.....	\$ 1.52
2 Sheak-tong-tsui,	41.98
3 Kow-ee-wan,.....	2.36
4 Pok-foo-lum,.....	120.86
5 Aberdeen,	409.62
6 Applechow,	38.45
7 Sai-wan-chye,	1.90
8 Stanley,	128.22
9 Kas-see-wan,	1.20
10 Ty-tam,	5.56
11 Ty-tam-took,	7.51
12 Heong-kong,	28.88
13 Wong-ma-kok,	1.84
14 Wong-nei-cheong,	34.15
15 Hong-heong-loo,	16.00
16 Pak-suy-wan,	51
17 Chut-chee-moey,	10.05
18 Suey-tsing-wan,	3.59
19 Wong-kok-chuey,	2.77
20 A-koong-nam,	5.84
21 Sai-wan,	13.90
22 Sheak O',	17.32
23 Show-kee-wan,	161.10
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TOTAL,.....	1,055.13
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RECAPITULATION.	
Marine Lots,	\$28,017.50
Inland ,,	34,153.39
Farm ,,	184.35
Villages,.....	1,055.13
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TOTAL,.....	\$63,410.37
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A. GRAND-PRE,
Collector.

Examined,

W. H. RENNIE,
Auditor General.