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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF HONGKONG.

No. 3 or 1867.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND MAY, 1867.

PRESENT:

His Excellency Governor SIR RICHARD GRAVES MACDONNELL, C.B.

The Honorable the Chief Justice (John Smale.)

The Honorable the Acting Colonial Secretary (HENRY JOHN BALL.)

The Honorable the Colonial Treasurer (F. H. A. FORTH.)

The Honorable the Auditor General (W. H. RENNIE.)

The Honorable James Whittall.

The Honorable John Dent.

The Honorable H. B. GIBB.

ABSENT:

The Honorable the Attorney General (Julian Pauncefote,) in consequence of indisposition.

The Council meets this day, at half-past 2 P.M., pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the Council held on the 15th Instant, are read and confirmed.

The Interpretation Bill is read a second time, and, after the adoption of certain amendments made in Committee, passed, bearing the Title of "An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, for embodying in One Ordinance the Definition of Words and Expressions ordinarily adopted in different Ordinances and Rules of Court," being "No. 1 of 1867."

The Naval Yard Police Force Bill is read a second time, committed, and passed, bearing the Title of "An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, for the Establishment and Regulation of a Naval Yard Police Force," being "No. 2 of 1867."

The Supplementary Estimates Bill for 1866 is read a second time, and committed.

The following Votes are then agreed to:-

TABLISHMENTS:-	\$ c.
Colonial Secretary,	211.29
Colonial Treasurer,	378.69
Auditor General,	265.00
Surveyor General,	494.66
Master of the Mint,	312.58
Postmaster General,	391.15
Harbor Master,	2,118.93
Supreme Court,	62.65
Summary Jurisdiction Court,	320.00
Police Magistrates,	119.33
Police,	297.00
Gaols,	1,458.00

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Brought forward,			6,429).28	
REVENUE SERVICES, exclusive of Es			339	9.40	
ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE,	do.,		1,420).75	
HOSPITALS,	do.,		1,533	3.84	
POLICE,	do.,		1,264		
MINT,	do.,		3,910		
RENT,			3,721		
WORKS & BUILDINGS,			90,555		
ROADS, STREETS & BRIDGES,		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	6,688		
MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES,			1,100		
INTEREST,			3,299	9.78	
LAND & HOUSES PURCHASED,			3,05	1.14	
MILITARY CONTRIBUTION,			1,658	3.54	
\$124.973.17					

The Appropriation Bill being in accordance with the foregoing Votes, is then passed, bearing the Title of "An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof* to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum not exceeding One hundred and Twenty-five thousand Dollars to defray the Charges of the Year 1866," being "No. 3 of 1867."

The Gunpowder Storage Bill is read a second time, amended in Committee, and passed, bearing the Title of "An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to regulate the Importation and Storage of Gunpowder," being "No. 4 of 1867."

The Markets Bill is read a second time, and committed.

Sections 1 to 5 agreed to.

Section 6 being read and discussed, the Chief Justice proposes as an amendment that the words "guilty of a Misdemeanor and" be struck out; and the proposed amendment being seconded by the Colonial Treasurer,—

His Excellency puts the Question, that the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the Clause.

Debate ensues.

Council divides-

Ayes (5.)

The Honorable H. B. GIBB.

The Honorable John Dent.

The Honorable James Whittall.

The Honorable The Auditor General. The Honorable The Acting Colonial

SECRETARY.

Question carried, and Section 6 adopted.

Sections 7 to 10 agreed to.

The Bill having been approved in Committee, is passed, bearing the Title of "An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to amend Ordinance No. 9 of 1858," being "No. 5 of 1867."

His Excellency then adjourns the Council at half-past 4 o'clock, to Tuesday the 4th Proximo, at 2.30 p.m.

RICHARD GRAVES MACDONNELL, Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 17th Day of June, 1867.

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

Noes (2.)

The Honorable The Colonial Treasurer. The Honorable The Chief Justice.