The List was revised, corrected, and the Special Jurors designated in terms of section 4 of Ordinance 24 of 1882.

ADJOURNMENT.—On the motion of Mr. Ryrie the Council was adjourned to Friday, the 4th proximo, at 4 P.M.

W. H. MARSH,

Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed, this 4th day of March, 1887.

ARATHOON SETH, Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 80.

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

ARATHOON SETH, Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, Hongkong, 5th March, 1887.

· A BILL

ENTITLED

An Ordinance empowering the Courts to award Whipping as a further punishment for certain Crimes.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. If any person shall be convicted of a crime who at the time of the Commission thereof shall have been armed with any offensive weapon or instrument, or

If any person shall be convicted

- (a.) of any felony not punishable with death, committed after two previous convictions for felony, or
- (b.) of any crime under Sections 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36 of Ordinance 7 of 1865, or
- (c.) of Piracy, or
- (d.) of indecent assault.

The Supreme Court may in addition to the punishments awarded for such crimes direct that the offender if a male be once, twice or thrice privately whipped.

2. If any person shall be convicted under Section 27 of Ordinance No. 7 of 1865 of stealing any chattel money or valuable security from the person of any child or woman without violence, the Court or Magistrate before which such person is tried may in addition to the punishment awarded for such crime direct that the offender if a male be once, twice or thrice privately whipped.

3. In the case of any offender whose age does not exceed sixteen years the number of strokes at each such whipping shall not exceed twelve.

In the case of every other male offender convicted under this Ordinance the number of strokes shall not exceed thirty-six at each such whipping.

- 4. It shall not be lawful to award any sentence of whipping on the back, and every sentence of whipping shall prescribe the number of strokes and shall provide that such whipping shall be inflicted with a rattan on the breech, privately in prison and within six months of the sentence.
- 5. Provided that nothing in this Ordinance contained shall be construed as limiting the powers now possessed by the Supreme Court to award whipping as an additional punishment for certain crimes.

Power to award punishment of whipping in cases herein named. [No. 12 of 1865.]

Ch. 28, sec. 2.

Offences against Ord. 7 of 1865, s. 27, to be punished by whipping.

Number of strokes.

Whipping to be inflicted with a rattan and number of strokes to be mentioned in sentence. [No. 12 of 1865, and No. 3 of

Present powers of Supreme Court not limited