

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE NATURALISATION OF CH'AN KWOK YING.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, this Bill was read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE LAW RELATING TO JURORS.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, this Bill was read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE AUTHORISING THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION TO CONTINUE INCORPORATED FOR THE FURTHER TERM OF TWENTY-ONE YEARS.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council on the objects and reasons of it.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO CONSOLIDATE THE LAW RELATING TO VARIOUS LICENCES.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council on the objects and reasons of it.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO CONSOLIDATE AND AMEND THE LAW FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND REGULATION OF THE POLICE FORCE OF THE COLONY.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, the Council went into Committee on this Bill.

Bill reported with a verbal amendment.

BILL ENTITLED THE FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS ORDINANCE CONTINUATION ORDINANCE, 1887.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, this Bill was read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed, and numbered as Ordinance No. 12 of 1887.

BILL ENTITLED THE GERMAN MAIL STEAMERS ORDINANCE CONTINUATION ORDINANCE, 1887.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, this Bill was read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed, and numbered as Ordinance No. 13 of 1887.

POSTPONEMENT OF THE OTHER ORDERS OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, the other Orders of the Day were postponed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

W. H. MARSH,
Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed, this 22nd day of April, 1887.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 153.

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, 23rd April, 1887.

A BILL

ENTITLED

An Ordinance to regulate the building of Chinese Houses in the City of Victoria.

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

1. This Ordinance shall be cited as *The Chinese Buildings Ordinance, 1886.*

Title.

2. In the construction of this Ordinance the words—*City of Victoria* shall mean the City of Victoria as defined by the *Victoria Registration Ordinance No. 7 of 1866.*

And the words *Chinese tenements or houses for the habitation of Chinese* shall mean the usual type of house designed for habitation by Chinese, or any house or tenement of European exterior and design, any story of which shall be in the occupation of more than one individual or family, or in which a larger number of occupiers or inmates are allowed than in a European house.

3. Notwithstanding any grant, right or covenant which may be contained in any Lease granted by the Government of this Colony of any land in the City of Victoria, it shall not be lawful to build Chinese tenements, or houses for the habitation of Chinese in any locality or on any site situated on the Southern or South-eastern side of a dividing line beginning from a point opposite the East corner of the City Hall and drawn along Queen's Road Central, thence along Ice House Lane, Albert Road, Wyndham Street, Hollywood Road, Elgin Street, Staunton Street and Aberdeen Street, thence passing through the centre of Inland Lots Numbers 94, 157, 423, 523, and along the boundary between Inland Lots Numbers 574 and 575, and between Inland Lots Numbers 397 and 398, thence along Ladder Street, Bonham Road, Hospital Road as far as the corner of Eastern Street, thence turning up the corner of Eastern Street as far as High Street, and following High Street and Pokfoolum Road as far as the junction of the latter with Bonham Road; and which dividing line is more specially set forth and denoted in the official map of the City of Victoria to be signed by the Governor and to be registered in the Land Office of the Colony.

Line of demarcation.

4. It shall not be lawful for any person to commence any new building beyond the limits fixed by the preceding article, or to alter or repair any building now existing beyond such limits until four days' written notice of the intention to commence such building, alterations, or repairs shall have been given to the Surveyor General by the person for whom such works are intended, and every such notice shall specify the material particulars of the said intended works: provided always that the said Surveyor General may require such further particulars or such plans of the said works as to him may seem necessary.

Notice to build or repair to be sent to Surveyor General. (See sec. 111, Ord. 8 of 1856.)

5. If the said Surveyor General shall be of opinion that any of the said works are in contravention of this Ordinance he shall notify the same to the person giving him the notice aforesaid and thereupon it shall not be lawful for the said person to commence the said works.

Surveyor General may suspend work.

6. Any person dissatisfied with the decision of the Surveyor General may appeal therefrom to the Governor in Council.

Appeal to Governor in Council.

7. Any person commencing any such work after receiving from the Surveyor General the notice mentioned in Article 4 of this Ordinance shall on summary conviction thereof be liable to a fine not exceeding Fifty dollars.

Penalty.

8. Every building commenced, repaired, or altered in contravention to this Ordinance shall be deemed a nuisance within the meaning of Ordinance No. 8 of 1856 and may be abated accordingly.

Building contrary to this Ordinance deemed a nuisance.

Provided always that nothing in this Ordinance shall be held to prevent the owners of Inland Lots who have already built Chinese houses thereon, from repairing the same.

Proviso.