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#### PROCLAMATION.

W. G. CAMERON. [L.S.]

By His Excellency Major-General WILLIAM GORDON CAMERON, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Officer Administering the Government and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

Whereas by section 24 of Ordinance 22 of 1887, entitled—An Ordinance for the better regulating

of the trade in Opium, it is enacted that:-

"This Ordinance shall come into operation on a day to be proclaimed by the Governor":

Now, therefore, I, Major-General WILLIAM GORDON CAMERON, Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, in pursuance of the said section and by virtue of the authority in me vested, do hereby under my hand proclaim that the said Ordinance shall come into operation on and after the First day of June, 1887. By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Given at Government House, Hongkong, this 28th day of May, 1887.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL No. 29.

## FRIDAY, $13^{TH}$ MAY, 1887.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL WILLIAM GORDON CAMERON, C.B. Administering the Government in the absence of His Excellency SIR GEORGE FERGUSON BOWEN, G.C.M.G. His Honour the Acting Chief Justice (James Russell), vice His Honour Sir George PHILLIPPO, Knt., on leave.

The Honourable the Acting Colonial Secretary, (FREDERICK STEWART.)

the Acting Attorney General, (EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD.)

the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNEILE PRICE.)

HENRY GEORGE THOMSETT, R.N.

PHINEAS RYRIE.

Wong Shing.

John Bell-Irving, (vice the Honourable William Keswick, on leave). ,;

CATCHICK PAUL CHATER, (vice the Honourable FREDERICK DAVID SAS-

soon, on leave). ABSENT:

The Honourable the Colonial Treasurer, (Alfred Lister), on duty. ALEXANDER PALMER MACEWEN, (vice the Honourable Thomas Jackson, on leave), on leave.

The Council met pursuant to notice. The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 6th instant, were read and confirmed. Vote of Money referred to the Finance Committee.—Read the following Minute by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government:—

### W. G. CAMERON.

The Officer Administering the Government recommends the Council to vote the sum of \$150 for the purpose of supplying to the Magistracy a Press for keeping Court Records, similar to one supplied in 1883.

Government House, Hongkong, 13th May, 1887.

The Acting Colonial Secretary moved that this vote be referred to the Finance Committee.

Captain Thomsett seconded.

Question—put and passed.

PAPER.—The Acting Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, laid upon the table the following paper:—

Reclamation of, and building at, Causeway Bay (No.  $\frac{27}{87}$ ).

The Surveyor General moved that the question be referred for the consideration of the Public Works Committee of the Council, and that all the Members of the Council be invited to take part in it.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

OPIUM BILL.—The Officer Administering the Government informed the Council that a telegram had come into his hands stating that the Chinese Government had accepted, as an experiment and on trial, the recent proposals of a Member of this Council accepted by the Chamber of Commerce in connexion with the Opium Bill now before the Council, and that the Government was in communication, by telegraph, with the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO AMENÓ AND CONSOLIDATE THE LAW RELATING TO JURORS.—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 amendments.

The Acting Attorney General moved that the Standing Orders be suspended, and the Bill be read a third time.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed, and numbered as Ordinance No. 18 of 1887.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO ENABLE THE TRUSTEES OF THE RHENISH MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO SELL AND DISPOSE OF CERTAIN LEASEHOLD PROPERTY WITHIN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.—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. 19 of 1887.

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 third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed, and numbered as Ordinance No. 20 of 1887.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO CONSOLIDATE THE LAW RELATING TO VARIOUS LICENCES.—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. 21 of 1887.

Adjournment.—The Council then adjourned sine die.

W. G. CAMERON, Major-General, Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed, this 23rd day of May, 1887.

ARATHOON SETH, Clerk of Councils.