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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 40.

FRIDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1887.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL WILLIAM GORDON CAMERON, C.B.,

Administering the Government.

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) vice the Honour-

able EDWARD LOUGHLIN O'MALLEY, on leave.

the Colonial Treasurer, (ALFRED LISTER). 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 Sassoon, on leave).

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 2nd 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 \$1,000 as remuneration to Mr. Bruce Shepherd, for services rendered by him in connection with the Land Commission.

Government House, Hongkong, 2nd September, 1887.

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

The Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR AMENDING THE LAWS RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE Colony of Hongkong.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, the Council resumed consideration in Committee of this Bill.

The Acting Attorney General moved the adoption of a new Section to be numbered 5.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

The Section was agreed to with an amendment.

On the motion of Mr. Ryrie, seconded by Mr. Chater, Part VIII of the Bill was postponed.

Section 85 of the Bill was ordered to be struck out.

Schedule A was passed with an amendment.

Schedule B was passed with an amendment.

His Excellency then addressed the Council, and expressed his regret at the resignation by the Honourable T. Jackson of his seat in the Council.

Adjournment.—The Council adjourned until Monday, the 19th instant, at 4 P.M.

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

Read and confirmed, this 19th day of September, 1887.

J. M. GUTIERREZ, Acting Clerk of Councils.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 41.

MONDAY, 19^{TH} SEPTEMBER, 1887.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL WILLIAM GORDON CAMERON, C.B., Administering the Government.

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), vice the Honourable EDWARD LOUGHLIN O'MALLEY, on leave.

the Colonial Treasurer, (ALFRED LISTER).

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 Sassoon, on leave).

ALEXANDER PALMER MACEWEN.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

NEW MEMBER.—Mr. A. P. MACEWEN having, on the nomination of the Chamber of Commerce, been appointed a Member of the Council in the room of Mr. T. Jackson, resigned, took his seat at the table, the usual Oath having previously been tendered to him by the Acting Governor.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 9th instant, were read and confirmed.

PAPERS.—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government read the following Despatches from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies:—

- (1.) Despatch respecting the celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee. (No. $\frac{33}{87}$).
- (2.) Despatch respecting the appointment of Sir George William des Vœux, K.C.M.G. to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hongkong. (No. $\frac{34}{87}$).

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 \$25,000 towards the Jubilee Fund, to enable this Colony worthily to celebrate and commemorate the 50th anniversary of Her Majesty's glorious and beneficent reign—so especially memorable for the marvellous progress and prosperity of our Colonial Empire (Hongkong, a notable example)—and the loyalty and attachment of the Colonists towards the throne. Honorary Treasurer to the Jubilee Committee reports that a similar sum will be raised among the British and Foreign Communities, exclusive of the Chinese subscriptions. It is proposed to erect a statue of the Queen on the Praya, or most conspicuous site that can be chosen, not only as an emblem of England's sovereignty, and the devoted loyalty of Her Majesty's subjects in this Colony, English and Chinese, but as a token of the affectionate regard evinced towards our beloved Queen on this memorable occasion by our foreign friends who live among us, and have so generously contributed to the Jubilee Fund. The statue of the Queen will thus also commemorate the good-will which exists among all classes of the Community in the year 1887, and which it is hoped may ever continue; and the Government feel sure that in asking for this vote, it is merely giving expression to the wishes of the public.

Government House, Hongkong, 19th September, 1887.