

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 241.

The following Regulations made by the Governor in Council under Section 17 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1887, are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 2nd June, 1888.

Regulations made by the Governor in Council, in pursuance of Section 17 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1887, for the granting of Police Pensions, this 22nd day of May, 1888.

1. The following Regulations apply to all Inspectors, Sergeants, Sergeant Interpreters, Application and Constables of the Police Force who may join after the promulgation of the present of Rules. regulations; excepting those who have enlisted under special agreement.

2. Subject to the exceptions and provisions hereinafter contained, a Pension will be granted to any Member of the Force, who has completed fifteen years' service, at a rate not exceeding $20/60^{\text{ths}}$ of the Annual pay of his rank, provided he shall have been in receipt of the same for the last three years; otherwise, the Pension shall be calculated upon the average amount of pay received by such person during the three years next preceding the commencement of such Pension. Further, for every full and complete year's service after fifteen years, an addition to the Annual Pension of $1/60^{\text{th}}$ part of the average Annual pay of his rank shall be made for each additional year of such service.

3. Any Member of the Force who may be invalided after serving ten complete years and under fifteen years, may (provided that such invaliding be not the consequence of intemperate or vicious habits) be granted a Pension not exceeding $15/60^{\text{ths}}$ of the average Annual pay of his rank during the past three years for ten years' service, and $1/60^{\text{th}}$ for each full and complete year's service after ten years.

4. Any Member of the Force who may be invalided as aforesaid before the completion of ten years' service may be granted a Gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each complete year's service. Under 10 years' service and Special cases.

It shall, however, be in the discretion of the Governor in Council to grant a special rate of pension to any Member of the Police Force who may be compelled to quit the Public Service by reason of severe bodily injury, occasioned without his own fault, in the discharge of his public duty.

In every such case the amount of pension shall be made to vary partly in proportion to the number of years served by the injured man, and partly in proportion to the severity of the injury. The portion of the pension earned by length of service shall be calculated at the rate of $1/60^{\text{th}}$ of the salary and emoluments of the sufferer at the time when the injury or accident occurred, for each year of service completed by him at the time he retires, whether the number of years served be more or less than 10, but no number of years service shall be allowed to give a claim to pension of more than $40/60^{\text{ths}}$ in respect of service only. And the Captain Superintendent of Police shall in every such case furnish a Medical certificate stating:

- (a.) Whether the capacity of the sufferer to contribute towards his own support is slightly impaired, impaired, materially impaired, or totally destroyed, and
- (b.) Whether such incapacity is likely to be permanent.
- (c.) Whether the retirement is to be attributed solely and immediately to the injuries received.

An addition to the pension of the sufferer, on account of the injury may then be made on the following scale:

- (a.) When the capacity is certified to be slightly impaired not exceeding $6/60^{\text{ths}}$ of the pay and emoluments.
- (b.) When impaired not exceeding $12/60^{\text{ths}}$
- (c.) When materially impaired not exceeding $18/60^{\text{ths}}$
- (d.) When totally destroyed not exceeding $24/60^{\text{ths}}$

But in no case, however, shall the total amount of the pension exceed the full amount of the pay and emoluments of the sufferer at the time when the injury occurred.

5. Extra pay for acting appointments will in no case be taken into consideration in determining the amounts of Pension or Gratuity. Extra pay.

6. All Pensions granted shall be payable in Hongkong or London, or in the principal towns of British India. Pensions where payable.

7. Full Pensions or Gratuities will be granted only on the Candidate's conduct having been uniformly good. When full pension granted.

8. Should the Candidate's conduct not have been uniformly good, a modified Pension, ^{Modified} or Gratuity will be granted. Should his conduct have been decidedly bad, no Pension or ^{pension.} Gratuity will be paid.

9. A Commuted Payment, calculated at five times the amount of the Annual Pension, ^{Commuta-} may be granted in lieu of a Pension, if the applicant will be unable to draw his Pension at ^{tion.} any of the places before mentioned, or on the application of the Grantee, at the discretion of His Excellency The Governor.

10. If any person receiving a Pension under these Regulations should be appointed to ^{When} fill any Office in any Public Department, such Pension shall cease to be paid for any period ^{pension} subsequent to such appointment if the annual amount of the profits of the Office to which ^{to cease.} he shall be appointed shall be equal to those of the Office formerly held by him; and in case it shall not be equal to those of his former Office, then no more of such Pension shall be paid to him than what with the Salary of his new appointment shall be equal to the profits of his former Office.

11. A Pension is granted only on the condition that it becomes forfeited, and may be ^{Forfeiture} withdrawn by His Excellency the Governor, in any of the following cases: ^{of pension.}

- (a.) On the conviction of the Grantee for any indictable Offence.
- (b.) On his knowingly associating with thieves or suspected persons.
- (c.) On his refusing to give information and assistance to the Police whenever in his power, for the detection and apprehension of criminals, and for the suppression of any disturbance of the public peace.
- (d.) If he enter into or continue to carry on any business, occupation, or employment which shall be, in the opinion of His Excellency the Governor, disgraceful itself or injurious to the Public, or in which he shall make use of the fact of his former employment in the Police in a manner which His Excellency the Governor considers to be discreditable and improper.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HONGKONG.

Pensions paid in London will be at the rate of 1/2 the dollar, and those paid in India at the rate of 227 Rupees per \$100.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 242.

The following Lots of Crown Land at Peak Road above the Albany, will be sold by Public Auction, on Tuesday, the 5th day of June, 1888, at 3.30 P.M.

Inland Lots Nos. 1,146 and 1,147.

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale see Government Notification No. 225 of the 26th ultimo.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 2nd June, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 243.

The following Returns of Deaths for the week ended the 26th May are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 2nd June, 1888.