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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 7.

THURSDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1889.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX, K.C.M.G.) .

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary (FREDERICK STEWART).

the Acting Attorney General, (ANDREW JOHN LEACH).

the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (HENRY ERNEST WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.).

the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNEILE PRICE).

the Captain Superintendent of Police, (WALTER MEREDITH DEANE).

PHINEAS RYRIE.

Wong Shing.

JOHN BELL-IRVING.

BENDYSHE LAYTON, (vice the Honourable ALEXANDER PALMER MACEWEN).

CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.

ABSENT:

The Honourable the Registrar General, (JAMES HALDANE STEWART LOCKHART).

The Council met pursuant to notice.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 1st instant, were read and confirmed.

VOTE REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:—Read the following Minute by His Excellency the Governor:—

G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote the sum of One hundred and twenty Dollars, as a compassionate allowance to the family of Mr. Ho Tsung-chi, late Chinese Writer in the Registrar General's Department.

Government House, Hongkong, 5th March, 1889.

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

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

VOTES PASSED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the proceedings of the Finance Committee (No. 2) dated the 1st instant, and moved that the following Votes referred to therein be passed, viz :-

EXCESS OF THE ESTIMATES FOR 1889.

ESTABLISHMENTS.

Sanitary Department.

C.S.O. Salaries of two Scavengers for the new Market at Hunghom, viz.:—

One Scavenger at \$6 per month, 72.00 at \$5 60.00

\$ 132.00

SERVICES EXCLUSIVE OF ESTABLISHMENTS.

Miscellaneous Services.

C. O. Desp. Gratuity to the widow of the late V. C. PEREIRA. Assistant Turnkey, Victoria Gaol, (to be vested in Trustees, who will be empowered to pay the interest only upon this sum to the widow during her life; and upon her death, or re-marriage, to divide the principal among Mr. Pereira's children),\$2,000.00

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURE.

C.S.O. 201 of Praya surveys in front of the Naval Yard and Military Cantonments, \$ 492.00

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

PAPER.—The Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the table the Report of the Captain Superintendent of Police for 1888. (No. $\frac{2}{89}$).

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE DIRECTOR, IN HONGKONG, OF THE BERLIN LADIES' MISSION FOR CHINA.—The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED THE PRISON AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1889.—The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

·BILL ENTITLED THE STONE CUTTERS' ISLAND ORDINANCE, 1889.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed. Bill read a second time.

The Council then went into Committee on the Bill.

Bill reported without amendment.

The Attorney General then moved that the Bill be read a third time.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed, and numbered as Ordinance 11 of 1889.

BYE-LAWS UNDER "THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE, 1887."—The Colonial Secretary, pursuant to notice, moved that the Bye-Laws made by the Sanitary Board, under *The Public Health Ordinance*, 1887, dated the 13th February, 1889, which were laid on the table at the last meeting, be approved.

Question—put and passed.

Adjournment.—The Council then adjourned to Thursday, the 14th instant, at 4 p.m.

G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX, Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 22nd day of March, 1889.

Arathoon Seth, Clerk of Councils.