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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 9.

FRIDAY, 29TH 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 Acting Registrar General, (NORMAN GILBERT MITCHELL-INNES).
- PHINEAS RYRIE.
- WONG SHING.
- JOHN BELL-IRVING.
- BENDYSHE LAYTON, (*vice* the Honourable ALEXANDER PALMER MACEWEN).
- CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 22nd instant, were read and confirmed.

VOTES REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—Read the following Minutes by His Excellency the Governor:—

G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote the sum of Thirteen thousand Five hundred Dollars, for the completion of Victoria College, viz.:—

C.S.O.
786 of 1889.
C.S.O.
785 of 1889.

Balance of Contractor's accounts in connection with the building,	\$ 5,500.00
Extra works not included in the contract,	8,000.00

\$13,500.00

Government House, Hongkong, 28th March, 1889.

G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX.

C. O. Desp.
No. 221 of
25th Nov.,
1887.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote the sum of Nine hundred and Eighty-eight Dollars, and Thirty-nine Cents being a personal allowance to the Honourable J. M. PRICE, at the rate of \$480 a year, as compensation for the undrawn fees on Crown Land sales, to which he was entitled, but has never drawn.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th March, 1889.

The Colonial Secretary moved that these Votes be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

VOTE 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. 4), dated the 22nd instant, and moved that the following Vote referred to therein be passed, viz. :—

EXCESS OF THE ESTIMATES FOR 1889.

ESTABLISHMENTS.

Supreme Court, (Land Office).

C.S.O.
633 of 1889.
\$472.58. Personal allowance to Mr. BRUCE SHEPHERD, Deputy Land Officer, from 18th March, 1889, at \$600 per annum,\$ 472.58

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following papers, viz. :—

Report of the Inspector of Schools for 1888. (No. $\frac{3}{89}$).

Report of the Head Master of the Government Central School for 1888. (No. $\frac{4}{89}$).

Report of the Acting Superintendent of the Fire Brigade for 1888. (No. $\frac{5}{89}$).

BILL ENTITLED THE ARMS ORDINANCE, 1889.—The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED THE VACCINATION ORDINANCE, 1889.—The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED THE RECLAMATION ORDINANCE, 1889.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Council then went into Committee on the Bill.

Progress reported.

BILL FOR AMENDING THE LAWS RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, the Council resumed Committee on this Bill.

Progress reported.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned to Friday, the 5th proximo, at 4 p.m.

G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX,
Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 12th day of April, 1889.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 164.

The following Bill, which will be read on an early date in the Legislative Council, is published for general information.

By Command,

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, Hongkong, 13th April, 1889.