

No. 20.

Nothing contained in this Minute shall interfere with the pension rights of persons ^{Existing claims.} who entered the service of the Colony before the date of the Minute, or shall restrict or diminish any superannuation allowance, compensation, or gratuity which, if this Minute had not been issued, might have been granted to any such person, but except as aforesaid, the provisions of the Minute shall apply as well to persons who have already entered the Public Service as to those who may hereafter enter the Public Service of Hongkong.

No. 21.

The Governor in Council may (subject as regards officers appointed under ^{Compulsory retirement at sixty.} instructions received from or through the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the approval of such Secretary of State) require any Judge or other Public Officer to retire from the Public Service of the Colony at any time after he attains the age of sixty years.

No. 22.

No pension granted under this Minute shall be assignable or transferable or liable to ^{Pensions not to be assignable.} be attached, sequestered or levied upon for or in respect of any debt or claim whatsoever.

No. 23.

If any person to whom a pension has been granted under this Minute is convicted ^{Pension to cease on bankruptcy or conviction.} before any Court in His Majesty's dominions of any crime or offence for which he is sentenced to death or penal servitude or transportation or any term of imprisonment with hard labour not exceeding twelve months, and does not within two months after such conviction receive His Majesty's free pardon, or if any such person becomes a bankrupt, then in every such case such pension shall forthwith cease: provided always that in any case where a pension ceases by reason of the bankruptcy of the pensioner it shall be lawful for the Secretary of State for the Colonies or if such pensioner is resident in the Colony then for the Governor in Council from time to time during the remainder of such pensioner's life or during such shorter period or periods either continuous or discontinuous as such Secretary of State or Governor in Council shall think fit to pay all or any part of the moneys to which such pensioner would have been entitled by way of pension had he not become a bankrupt or to apply the same for the maintenance and personal support or benefit of all or any exclusive of the others of the following persons, namely, such pensioner and any wife, child or children of his in such proportions and manner as such Secretary of State or Governor in Council from time to time thinks proper.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 433.

It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to provisionally appoint FRANCIS WILLIAM CLARK, M.D., to be a Member of the Legislative Council from this date until further notice, *vice* FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY resigned.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th July, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 434.

It is hereby notified that His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve of the appointment of CHARLES STEWART SHARP to be an Un-official Member of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, in succession to JOHN THURBURN resigned.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th July, 1902.