

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 444.

The following Paper relative to the Rate of Exchange for payment of Pensions under the Widows and Orphans' Pension Fund, which was laid before the Legislative Council on the 21st instant, is published.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd July, 1902.

HONGKONG,
No. 170.

DOWNING STREET,
27th August, 1897.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you that the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements has adopted the following resolution, viz.:—"That from the 1st January, 1897, the pensions payable to Widows and Orphans, resident in a country with a gold standard, from the Widows and Orphans' Pension Fund of the Colony be paid through the Crown Agents at the rate of 3/- to the dollar, the difference between the amounts so reckoned and those payable out of the Fund (at the current rate of exchange) being made good by the Colonial Government."

2. The Government of Ceylon has adopted a similar rule, taking the Rupee at 1s. 6d.

3. I should be prepared to approve the adoption of a similar rule in Hongkong, if the Legislative Council would be willing to vote the money necessary for carrying out the proposal as an act of grace.

4. It should be understood that the official members of the Council should not vote on the question as it affects them personally.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

C. P. LUCAS,
for the Secretary of State.

Governor

Sir W. ROBINSON, G.C.M.G.,
&c., &c., &c.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 445.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of H. M. the KING, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 25 of 1902.—An Ordinance for the Naturalization of CHOY YAN, alias CHOY MUN LAU, alias CHOY KWONG SUM, alias CHOY SUK WAH.

Ordinance No. 26 of 1902.—An Ordinance for the Naturalization of SIU TIT SHANG, alias SIU KIT, alias SIU SAU LEUNG, alias SIU YU CHOI.

Ordinance No. 27 of 1902.—An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Five hundred and fifteen thousand two hundred and twenty-five Dollars and seven Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1901.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th July, 1902.

No. 25 OF 1902.

An Ordinance for the Naturalization of CHOY YAN, alias CHOY MUN LAU, alias CHOY KWONG SUM, alias CHOY SUK WAH.

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W. J. GASCOIGNE,
Officer Administering the Government.

[23rd July, 1902.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Whereas CHOY YAN (蔡仁), alias CHOY MUN LAU (蔡敏驪), alias CHOY KWONG SUM (蔡廣心), alias CHOY SUK WAH (蔡叔驩), a native of Kwong Chau Fú (廣州府), in the Province of Kwong Tung (廣東), in the Empire of China, continuously resides in this Colony, and is possessed of landed property in this Colony, and has declared his intention of residing here permanently, and has petitioned to be naturalized as a British subject within the limits of this Colony, and whereas it is expedient that he should be so naturalized:

1. CHOY YAN (蔡仁), alias CHOY MUN LAU (蔡敏驪), alias CHOY KWONG SUM (蔡廣心), alias CHOY SUK WAH (蔡叔驩), shall be, and he is, hereby, naturalized as a British subject, within this Colony, and shall enjoy therein, but not elsewhere, all the rights, advantages and privileges of a British subject, on his taking the Oath of Allegiance under the Promissory Oaths Ordinance, 1869.

Naturalization of Choy Yan.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 21st day of July, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 23rd day of July, 1902.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 26 OF 1902.

An Ordinance for the Naturalization of SIU TIT SHANG, alias SIU KIT, alias SIU SAU LEUNG, alias SIU YU CHOI.

LS

W. J. GASCOIGNE,
Officer Administering the Government.

[23rd July, 1902.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Whereas SIU TIT SHANG (蕭成生), alias SIU KIT (蕭結), alias SIU SAU LEUNG (蕭秀良) alias SIU YU CHOI (蕭汝才), a native of Shek Ki (石岐), in the district of Heung Shan (香山), in the Prefecture of Kwong Chow (廣州), in the Province of Kwong Tung (東廣), in the Empire of China, is now employed as Clerk and Interpreter to Messieurs Leigh & Orange, Architects, at Victoria, in this Colony, and has continuously resided in this Colony for the last twenty-six years, and is possessed of landed property therein, and has declared his intention of permanently residing therein, and has petitioned to be naturalized as a British subject within the limits of this Colony, and whereas it is expedient that he should be so naturalized:

Naturalization of Siu Tit Shang.

I. SIU TIT SHANG (蕭猷生), alias SIU KIT (蕭結), alias SIU SAU LEUNG (蕭秀良), alias SIU YU CHOI (蕭汝才), shall be, and he is, hereby, naturalized as a British subject, within this Colony, and shall enjoy therein, but not elsewhere, all the rights, advantages and privileges of a British subject, on his taking the Oath of Allegiance under the Promissory Oaths Ordinance, 1869.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 21st day of July, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 23rd day of July, 1902.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 27 OF 1902.

An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Five hundred and fifteen thousand two hundred and twenty-five Dollars and seven Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1901.

LS

W. J. GASCOIGNE,
Officer Administering the Government.

[23rd July, 1902.]

WHEREAS it has become necessary to make further provision for the public service of the Colony for the year 1901, in addition to the charge upon the revenue and other funds of the Colony for the service of the said year already provided for: Be it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. A sum of Five hundred and fifteen thousand two hundred and twenty-five Dollars and seven Cents is hereby charged upon the revenue and other funds of the Colony for the service of the year 1901, the said sum so charged being expended as hereinafter specified; that is to say:—

Charge on Account of Public Debt, - - -	\$ 8,548.84
Pensions, - - - - -	14,073.55
Governor and Legislature, - - - - -	886.99
Colonial Secretary's Department, - - -	5,354.40
Audit Department, - - - - -	2,706.33
Treasury, - - - - -	7,939.98
Post Office, - - - - -	4,205.51
Harbour Master's Department, - - - -	14,723.63
Legal Departments, - - - - -	11,561.66
Medical Departments, - - - - -	10,297.71
Magistracy, - - - - -	4,254.18
Transport, - - - - -	11,776.93
Miscellaneous Services, - - - - -	253,035.33
Public Works Recurrent, - - - - -	68,035.76
Ordinary Expenditure, - - - - -	\$417,395.80
Extraordinary Public Works, - - - - -	97,829.27
Total Supplementary Votes, - - - - -	\$515,225.07

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 21st day of July, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

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F. H. MAY,
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