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PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] HENRY ARTHUR BLAKE, Governor.

By His Excellency Sir Henry Arthur Blake, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

Whereas by Ordinance No. 3 of 1862, entitled An Ordinance to authorize His Excellency the Governor by Proclamation to prohibit the Exportation of Military Stores and other Articles, as amended by Ordinance No. 3 of 1884, entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 3 of 1862, it is enacted that it should be lawful for His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, by Proclamation to be published in the Hongkong Government Gazette or in any Extraordinary Gazette, to prohibit, for such period as should be mentioned in such Proclamation, either to be exported from the Colony of Hongkong, or to be carried coastwise within the said Colony (amongst other things) Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder, and Military and Naval Stores, and any articles which His Excellency may judge capable of being converted into or made useful in increasing the quantity of Military or Naval Stores, or any or either of such Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder, Stores, Goods or Articles respectively, subject to any permission that may be obtained under the last mentioned Ordinance:

And whereas, by various Proclamations issued from time to time, such exportation and carriage coastwise were prohibited, and remain prohibited until the 28th day of November, 1902, and that it is expedient to continue such prohibition:

Now, therefore, I, Sir Henry Arthur Blake, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, by and with the advice of the Executive Council of this Colony, do, by this Proclamation, prohibit for a further period of six months from and including the 28th day of November, 1902, either to be exported from the Colony of Hongkong, or to be carried coastwise within the said Colony, Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder, and Military and Naval Stores, and any articles which I may judge capable of being converted into or made useful in increasing the quantity of Military or Naval Stores, or any or either of such Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder, Stores, Goods or Articles respectively, unless this Proclamation shall, in the meantime, be revoked, or unless permission shall have been obtained under Ordnance No. 3 of 1884.

By His Excellency's Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given at Government House, Victoria, Hongkong, this 22nd day of November, 1902.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 16.

THURSDAY, 6^{TH} NOVEMBER, 1902.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir Henry Arthur Blake, G.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel Louis Faulkner Brown, R.E.)

- the Colonial Secretary, (Francis Henry May, C.M.G.).
- the Attorney General, (Sir Henry Spencer Berkeley, Kt.). "
- the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).
- the Harbour Master, (Robert Murray Rumsey, R.N.). ,,
- the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM). 22
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- CHARLES STEWART SHARP. "
- CHARLES WEDDERBURN DICKSON. "
- GEORGE WILLIAM FORBES PLAYFAIR.
- ROBERT GORDON SHEWAN.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 23rd October, 1902, were read and confirmed.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee dated the 23rd October, 1902, (No. 15), and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

PAPER.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of a proposed European Reservation near Kowloon.

THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION.—The Colonial Secretary informed the Council that the correspondence relating to the Public Works Commission would not be laid on the table, as it was not yet complete.