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
- the Medical Officer of Health, (Dr. Francis William Clark). "
- Ho Kai, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.
- WEI YUK. 99
- 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.

Public Health and Buildings Bill.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and asked permission to withdraw from the consideration of the Council the Bill which was read a first time on the 7th July last, and to introduce a new Bill instead of it.

Permission granted, and Bill withdrawn.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Public Health and to Buildings.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

EMPLOYERS AND SERVANTS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Employers and Servants.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Junks (Collision) Bill.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance with reference to Collisions between Junks and Ships.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

NEW TERRITORIES TITLES BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled The New Territories Titles Ordinance, 1902.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

NATURALIZATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance relating to the Naturalization of Aliens.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Adjournment.—The Council then adjourned sine die.

HENRY A. BLAKE, Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 27th day of November, 1902.

C. CLEMENTI,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 723.

The following Bills which were read a first time at a Meeting of the Legislative Council held this day, are published.

C. CLEMENTI,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, Hongkong, 27th November, 1902.