

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 741.

The following Bill which was read a first time at a Meeting of the Legislative Council held this day, is published.

C. CLEMENTI,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, Hongkong, 4th December, 1902.

A BILL.

ENTITLED

An Ordinance to authorize the making of Bye-laws by the "Star" Ferry Company Limited.

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

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| Short title. | 1. This Ordinance may be cited as The "Star" Ferry Company's Ordinance, 1902. |
| Power to make Bye-laws. | 2. The "Star" Ferry Company Limited shall have power from time to time to make Bye-laws for regulating the conditions under which persons may travel in or upon any launch or vessel belonging to them and for the prevention of frauds on the said Company. |
| Bye-laws to be approved and published. | 3. Any Bye-laws to be so made shall be first submitted for approval to the Governor in Council and shall be published in the Gazette within two weeks after the making thereof and until such publication shall not take effect. |
| Penalties. | 4. Any Bye-laws may impose penalties for offences against the same not exceeding \$25 for the first offence and not exceeding \$50 for any subsequent offence. |
| Copies to be posted. | 5. A copy of every Bye-law clearly printed in large type shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the Company's business premises and on each of the Company's wharves and in each launch or other vessel of the Company employed in the carriage of passengers. |
| Proof. | 6. In all proceedings before any Court the Bye-laws in force for the time being under this Ordinance shall be sufficiently proved by the production of a copy of the Gazette in which the same shall be published and contained. |

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY LIMITED.

BYE-LAWS

(Made under Ordinance No. of 1902).

1. No person shall travel or attempt to travel in any launch after being warned by any servant of the Company that such launch contains her full complement of passengers.
2. No person shall smoke in the cabin marked "NO SMOKING."
3. No person shall take in any launch as personal luggage anything other than small hand baskets bags or parcels all of which shall not exceed 28 lbs. in weight or one cubic foot in measurement. All such personal luggage shall be carried by hand and the Company shall not be responsible for its safe custody or for any damage sustained by it. Such baggage shall not occupy any part of a seat nor be of a form or description to annoy or inconvenience other passengers.
4. No person shall trespass on any part of the wharves used by the Company's launches.
5. No person shall alight or attempt to alight from or shall enter or attempt to enter any launch while in motion or shall alight or attempt to alight from or enter or attempt to enter any launch except by the proper entrances or exits.

6. All persons holding tickets whether season monthly punch or otherwise shall on demand show and deliver up their tickets to any of the Company's servants.

7. No person shall travel on a special launch (unless same is advertised as being for the public use) except by permission of the person who hired such launch.

8. Holders of monthly tickets shall not travel on special launches which are advertised as being for the public use without paying the full fare in the same manner as persons other than monthly ticket holders.

9. No person shall travel by a higher class than that for which his ticket entitles him.

10. No person shall embark on or disembark from the Company's launches from or to any sampan boat or other craft.

11. No person shall embark on the Company's launches without having first purchased a ticket and had it punched by the Company's collector. This Bye-law does not apply to monthly ticket holders.

12. No intoxicated person shall travel or attempt to travel in the first class accommodation of the Company's launches.

13. No launch sampan boat or other craft shall make fast to or use or embark or disembark passengers at the wharves used by the Company's launches.

All persons committing a breach of any of the above Bye-laws except No. 9 will on summary conviction thereof before a Magistrate be liable to a fine not exceeding \$5 for the first offence and to a fine not exceeding \$10 for every subsequent offence.

Any person committing a breach of Bye-law No. 9 will be liable on summary conviction before a Magistrate to a fine not exceeding \$25 for a first offence and for a second or any subsequent offence to a fine not exceeding \$50.

Objects and Reasons.

The chief object of the Bill is to provide a summary method of punishment for persons who practise frauds on the Company by travelling by a higher class than the one to which their ticket entitles them—an offence in respect of which it is doubtful if any proceedings of a criminal nature can be instituted.

The Bill is also intended to provide a means by which the Company can regulate the traffic for the public benefit as is customary with similar Companies in England.

DEACON & HASTINGS,
Solicitors for the Company.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 742.

His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinance passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 39 of 1902, entitled—An Ordinance with reference to Collisions between Junks and Ships.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd December, 1902.