

MAGISTRATES AND CRIMINAL LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Magistrates and Criminal Law Amendment Ordinance, 1909.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

OATHS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to regulate the Law as to Oaths.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

OFFICIAL SIGNATURES FEES BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1888.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

JURY LIST FOR 1910.—The Jury List for 1910 was considered in private.

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE AMENDMENT BILL.—The Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure, was not proceeded with.

TRAMWAY (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Tramway Ordinance, 1902, was not proceeded with.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

F. D. LUGARD,
Governor.

Read and confirmed this 10th day of March, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 76.—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 1 of 1910.—An Ordinance to amend the Pension Ordinance, 1862.

Ordinance No. 2 of 1910.—An Ordinance to further amend the Liquors Ordinance, 1909.

Ordinance No. 3 of 1910.—An Ordinance to regulate the Law as to Oaths.

Ordinance No. 4 of 1910.—An Ordinance to amend the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1888.

HONGKONG.

No. 1 OF 1910.

An Ordinance to amend the Pension Ordinance,
1862.F. D. LUGARD,
Governor.

[11th March, 1910.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Pension
Amendment Ordinance, 1910, and shall be read and
construed as one with the Pension Ordinance, 1862,
(hereinafter called "the Principal Ordinance"), and this
Ordinance and the said Ordinance may be cited together
as "The Pension Ordinances 1862 and 1909".

Amendment
of the
Principal
Ordinance
by the
addition of
new section.

2. The Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the
addition of the following section:—

The
Governor-in-
Council may
cause the
retirement of
any Judge
or other
Public
Officer on
their
attaining the
age of sixty
years.

"3. The Governor-in-Council may (subject as re-
gards officers appointed under instructions
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."

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 10th
day of March, 1910.C. CLEMENTI,
*Clerk of Councils.*Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 11th
day of March, 1910.F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

HONGKONG.

No. 2 OF 1910.

An Ordinance to further amend the Liquors Ordinance, 1909.

(LS) F. D. LUGARD,
Governor.

[11th March, 1910.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Liquors Ordinance Amendment Ordinance, 1910, and shall be read and construed as one with the Liquors Ordinance, 1909, hereinafter called "the Principal Ordinance" and the Liquors Ordinance Amendment Ordinance, 1909, and may be cited together as the Liquors Ordinances, 1909-1910. Short title and construction.

2. Section 56 of Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by striking out at the end thereof the following words "or for use at Government House". Amendment of the Principal Ordinance.

3. Section 4 of the Liquors Ordinance Amendment Ordinance, 1909, is hereby repealed. Repeal of section 4 of Amending Ordinance.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 10th day of March, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 11th day of March, 1910.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

HONGKONG.

No. 3 OF 1910.

An Ordinance to regulate the Law as to Oaths.

(LS) F. D. LUGARD,
Governor.

[11th March, 1910.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as the Oaths Ordinance, 1910. Short title.

2.—(1.) Any Oath may be administered and taken in the form and manner following:— Manner of Administration of Oaths.

The person taking the Oath shall hold the New Testament, or, in the case of a Jew, the Old Testament, in his uplifted hand, while the Officer administering the Oath repeats the words of the Oath in the same manner as heretofore and the person taking the Oath shall then say audibly, "I swear by Almighty God".

(2.) The Officer shall (unless the person about to take the Oath voluntarily objects thereto, or is physically incapable of so taking the Oath) administer the Oath in the form and manner aforesaid without question: Provided that in the case of a person who is neither a Christian nor a Jew, the Oath shall be administered in any manner which is now lawful.

Swearing with uplifted hand as in Scotland. 3. If any person to whom an Oath is administered desires to swear with uplifted hand in the form and manner in which an Oath is usually administered in Scotland he shall be permitted so to do, and the Oath shall be administered to him in such form and manner without further question.

Definition. 4. In this Ordinance the word "Officer" shall mean and include any and every person duly authorized to administer oaths.

Commencement. 5. This Ordinance shall come into operation on the 31st day of March nineteen hundred and ten.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 10th day of March, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 11th day of March, 1910.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

HONGKONG.

No. 4 of 1910.

An Ordinance to amend the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1888.



F. D. LUGARD,
Governor.

[11th March, 1910.]

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

Short title and construction. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1910, and shall be read and construed as one with the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1888, (hereinafter called "the Principal Ordinance") and this Ordinance and the said Ordinance may be cited together as the Official Signatures Fees Ordinances, 1888-1910.

Amends section 2 of Principal Ordinance. 2. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the addition at the end thereof of the following:—

“(3.) For the signature of the Colonial Treasurer, §2.

(4.) For the signature of the Captain Superintendent of Police, §2.”

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 10th day of March, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 11th day of March, 1910.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.