

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 104.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 2.

THURSDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1910.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir FREDERICK JOHN DEALTRY LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General ROBERT GEORGE BROADWOOD, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (Sir FRANCIS HENRY MAY, K.C.M.G.).

,, the Attorney General, (FRANCIS ARTHUR HAZELAND).

,, the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

,, the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM, C.M.G.).

,, the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

,, the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).

,, Mr. WEI YUK, C.M.G.

,, Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT

,, Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

,, Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

ABSENT :

The Honourable Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M.G.

,, Mr. MURRAY STEWART.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 24th February, 1910, were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 6 to 12A, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

No. 6.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Furniture for Quarters at Taipo,	\$	150.00.
No. 7.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Bamboo fence at Queen's Statue Square,		116.00.
No. 8.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Fish Breeding Pond Construction,		500.00.
No. 9.—Sanitary Department, Tallyman at Ma Tau Kok Slaughter House,		202.00.
No. 10.—Colonial Secretary's Department, Hansard Report,		28.00.
No. 11.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Compensation to Squatters in Hok Un Village,		1,156.00.
No. 12.—Public Works, Extraordinary,		14,694.00.
No. 12A.—Miscellaneous Services, Compensation to Licensees of Opium and Dross Opium Divans,		16,747.27.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee dated the 24th February, 1910, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following papers :—

Jurors List for 1910.

Report on the British Section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway for the year 1909.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.—His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council on the subject of the annual report on the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

PENSION AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Pension Ordinance, 1862.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

LIQUORS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to further amend the Liquors Ordinance, 1909.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

MAGISTRATES AND CRIMINAL LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the 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 second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, the Bill being left in Committee.

OATHS BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to regulate the Law as to Oaths.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported with amendments.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

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

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

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 14th day of April, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 105.—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. 5 of 1910.—An Ordinance to regulate the Law relating to Crown Suits.