OPIUM AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance, 1909.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Stewart and the Colonial Secretary addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

MAGISTRATES AND CRIMINAL LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Magistrates and Criminal Law Amendment Ordinance, 1909, was withdrawn.

MAGISTRATES AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Code of Civil Procedure Amendment Bill.—The Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure, was withdrawn.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council and explained the reasons for the withdrawal.

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. H. MAY;
Officer Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed this 5th day of May, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Conners

No. 130.—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government 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. 6 of 1910.—An Ordinance further to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.

## HONGKONG.

No. 6 of 1910.

An Ordinance further to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.

F. H. MAY,

Officer Administering the Government.

[6th May, 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 Merchant Ship- Short title ping Further Amendment Ordinance, 1910, and shall be and conread and construed as one with the Merchant Shipping struction. Ordinance, 1899, (hereinafter called "the Principal Ordinance") and this Ordinance and the said Ordinance and the Ordinances amending the same may be cited together as the Merchant Shipping Ordinances, 1899-1910.

2. Section 41 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby Application amended by the addition, after the word "England" in line six, of the words "so far as the provisions of those Acts are not or shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance...

of Acts hereafter passed amending the Merchant Shipping Act 1891.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 5th day of May, 1910.

> C. CLEMENTI, Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 6th day of May, 1910.

> A. M. Thomson, Colonial Secretary.

## APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 131.—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Mr. HENRY KESWICK to be a Member of the Executive Council, during the absence on leave of the Honourable Sir CATCHICK PAUL CHATER, Kt., C.M.G., or until further notice, with effect from this date.

5th May, 1910.

No. 132.—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Mr. HENRY KESWICK to be a Member of the Legislative Council, vice Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON resigned, with effect from this date.

5th May, 1910.

No. 133.—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint Henry Lardner Dennys to act as Crown Solicitor during the absence on leave of Francis Bulmer Lyon Bowley or until further notice, with effect from the 9th instant.

6th May, 1910.