PROCLAMATIONS.

No. 4.

[L.S.] FRANCIS HENRY MAY,

Officer Administering the Government.

By His Excellency Sir Francis Henry May, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Officer Administering the Government and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Vice-Admiral of the same.

Whereas by Section 3 of the Chinese Passengers' Act, 1855, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor of Hongkong, by Proclamation, for the purposes of the said Act, among other things, to declare what shall be deemed to be the duration of the voyage of any Chinese Passenger Ship:

Now, therefore, I, the said Sir Francis Henry May, under and by virtue of the powers conferred on me by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that, for the purposes of the said Act, the voyage of any Chinese Passenger Ship from Hongkong or any port of China to any port of the Federated Malay States, shall be deemed to be a voyage of ten days' duration; and that accordingly the voyage shall be deemed to be a voyage of "not more than thirty days' duration" within the meaning of Section 4 of The Chinese Emigration Ordinance, 1889, of Hongkong.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony, at Victoria, Hongkong, this 22nd day of July, 1910.

By Command,

A. M. Thomson, Colonial Secretary.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 221.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, NOTS.

IHURSTAY, 14TH JULY, 1910.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT (Sir Francis Henry May, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General Robert George Broadwood, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (Alexander Macdonald Thomson).

- ,, the Attorney General, (William Rees Davies, K.C.).
- ,, the Colonial Treasurer, (CHARLES MCILVAINE MESSER).
- ,, the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM, C.M.G.).
- ,, the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).
- ,, the Captain Superintendent of Police, (Francis Joseph Badeley).
- " Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G.
- " Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G.
- ,, Mr. Edbert Ansgar Hewett.
- " Mr. Edward Osborne.
- " Mr. Murray Stewart.
- " Mr. Henry Keswick.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 2nd June, 1910, were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 45 to 57, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 45.—Alice Memorial Maternity Hospital, Fees to Lady Doctor for supervision of midwives in cases of	
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necessity,	420.00.
No. 46.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Drainage, Training	
Nullahs,	14,730.00.
No. 47.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Miscellaneous. Fish	•
Breeding Pond Construction,	2,592.11.
No. 48.—District Officer, Local Allowance to Passed Cadet	
acting as Ássistant District Officer,	558,87,
No. 49.—Police, Rent of Stations and Secret Service,	2,678.60.
No. 50.—Public Works, Recurrent, Maintenance of Public	
Recreation Grounds	450.00.
No. 51.—Public Works Department, Personal Emoluments	270.00.
No. 52.—Mercantile Marine Office, Personal Emoluments,	922.00.
No. 53.—Public Works Department, Surveying Instruments,	470.00.
No. 54.—Supreme Court, Other Charges,	1.210.63.
No. 55.—Department of Director of Education, Incidental	
Expenses,	40.00.
No. 56.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Communications	10,900.00.
No. 57.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon Water	
Works,	32,000.00.

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 2nd June, 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.

Report on the Assessment for the year 1910-1911.

Report on the New Territories for the year 1909.

Medical and Sanitary Reports for the year 1909.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL RELIEF OF DUTIES BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to relieve the Governor-in-Council of certain duties.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Young Persons Amendment Bill.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Young Persons Ordinance, 1909.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

COPYRIGHT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law of Copyright.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Crown Lands Resumption Amendment Bill.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, 1900, and to make special provision for the Resumption of Crown Lands of small value for public purposes.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Highways Bill.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the narrowing, stopping up, diversion, turning or alteration in levels of Highways.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Liquors Amendment (No. 2) Bill.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to further amend the Liquors Ordinance, 1909.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

THEATRES AND PUBLIC PERFORMANCES REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Theatres and Public Performances Regulation Ordinance, 1908.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Supplementary Appropriation Bill.—The Colonial Secretary addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Three hundred and fourteen thousand five hundred and thirty-three Dollars and thirty-two Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1909.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Colonial Secretary then moved that the Bill be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Adjournment.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 21st July, 1910.

F. H. MAY,

Officer Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed this 21st day of July, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.