

No. 236.

Resolution passed by the Legislative Council under Section 31 (1) of the Rating Ordinance, 1901, (Ordinance No. 6 of 1901), this 4th day of August, 1910.

Resolved by the Legislative Council that the percentage on the valuation of tenements payable as rates in the undermentioned places be altered from the 1st October, 1910, as follows:—

Taihang,	From 9	to 10½
Tunglowan,	„ 10¾	„ 12¼
Whitfeild,	„ 10¾	„ 12¼
Shaukiwan Road, as far as L.L. 1620, ...	„ 10¾	„ 12¼.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
4th August, 1910.

No. 237.—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 Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 18 of 1910.—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.

Ordinance No. 19 of 1910.—An Ordinance to authorized 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.

HONGKONG.

No. 18 OF 1910.

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.

(LS) F. H. MAY,
Officer Administering the Government.

[5th August, 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 Crown Lands Resumption Amendment Ordinance, 1910, and shall be read as one with the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, 1900, hereinafter called "the Principal Ordinance".

Short title and construction.

2. Where in the opinion of the Governor the value of any land required to be resumed for a public purpose does not exceed in value the sum of \$500 for any one lot or portion of a lot registered in the Land Office the Governor may authorize the resumption to be carried out in the manner following and thereupon the provisions of Sections 3, 4 and 5 of this Ordinance shall apply in lieu of Sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Principal Ordinance.

Power of resumption of land for public purpose under value of \$500.

Notice of
intended
resumption.

3. Notice shall be given by the Colonial Secretary to the owner of the land intended to be resumed that such land is required for a public purpose and will be resumed on the expiration of one calendar month from the date of such notice and that thereupon such compensation will be paid as may be awarded in the manner hereinafter provided. Such notice shall also require the owner to nominate a member to serve on the Board to be constituted as herein provided, and if the owner cannot be found shall be affixed upon a conspicuous part of the land to be resumed and thereupon shall be deemed to be notice to the owner of the land and every person interested in the land or having any right or easement therein.

On expira-
tion of
notice
reversion to
Crown.

4. On the expiration of one month as aforesaid the land shall revert to the Crown and all rights of the owner or any other person in or over the land or any part thereof shall absolutely cease.

Constitution
of Board of
Arbitrators.

5. After the expiration of one month as aforesaid a Board of Arbitrators shall be appointed to determine the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of such resumption. The Board shall consist of three members resident in the Colony and shall be constituted as follows, that is to say:—

The Chairman of the Board shall be a Magistrate or a Justice of the Peace nominated by the Governor and the two other members shall consist of one member nominated by the Governor and the other by the owner of the land intended to be resumed or if he fails within one week from the date of expiration of the said notice of intended resumption to nominate in writing a member then it shall be lawful for the Chairman to nominate any other person on behalf of such owner.

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Power of
Entry.

6. In any case where notice of intended resumption has been given whether under the Principal Ordinance or this Ordinance it shall be lawful for the Governor and all other persons authorized by him and without the consent of the owner or occupier thereof to enter into and upon any land intended to be resumed for the purpose of surveying and taking levels of such lands and doing all necessary acts for setting out the line of works, making compensation for any damage thereby occasioned to the owner or occupier thereof, the amount of such compensation to be decided by the Board.

Payment of
compensa-
tion in case
of absent
owner.

7. Where the owner of any land which has been resumed under the provisions of the Principal Ordinance or of this Ordinance is absent from the Colony or cannot be found or within six months from the date when the amount of compensation shall have been determined makes no claim to the same or is in the opinion of the Governor unable to give an effectual discharge for the same the Governor may direct payment of the compensation awarded to be made to such other person on behalf of the owner as he shall think proper and subject to any conditions or not and the receipt of such person shall be a valid and effectual discharge for the same in the same manner as if payment had been made to the owner.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 4th day of August, 1910.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 5th day of August, 1910.

A. M. THOMSON,
Colonial Secretary.

HONGKONG.

No. 19 OF 1910.

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.

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F. H. MAY,

Officer Administering the Government.

[5th August, 1910.]

WHEREAS it has become necessary to make further provision for the public service of the Colony for the year 1909, in addition to the charge upon the revenue of the Colony for the service of the said year already provided for :

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

A sum of Three hundred and fourteen thousand five hundred and thirty-three Dollars and thirty-two Cents is hereby charged upon the revenue of the Colony for the service of the year 1909, the said sum so charged being expended as hereinafter specified ; that is to say :—

Post Office, - - - - -	\$ 62,254.99
Harbour Master's Department, -	11,652.85
Observatory, - - - - -	936.63
Miscellaneous Services, - - - -	45,322.55
Police and Prison Departments, -	1,478.16
Public Works Extraordinary, - -	186,852.75
Pensions, - - - - -	6,035.39
Total, - - - - -	<u>\$314,533.32</u>

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