LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 335.—His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances:—

Ordinance No. 21 of 1910, entitled—An Ordinance to provide for the narrowing, stopping up, diversion, turning or alteration in levels of Highways.

Ordinance No. 22 of 1910, entitled—An Ordinance to secure the better training of Midwives and to regulate their practice.

C. CLEMENTI,

Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, 30th November, 1910.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 366.—The King's Exequatur empowering Mr. Enrique L. Hurtado to act as Consul General for the Republic of Panama in Hongkong has received His Majesty's signature.

29th November, 1910.

No. 367.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Philip Peveril John Wodehouse to act as Deputy Superintendent of Police and of Fire Brigade, during the absence on leave of Frederick William Lyons, with effect from this date.

1st December, 1910.

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 368.—It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint, under the provisions of Section 8 of the Public Holidays Ordinance, 1875, (Ordinance No. 2 of 1875), Tuesday, the 27th December, 1910, to be observed as a bank holiday.

No. 369.—The following Finding of the Marine Court of Enquiry into the circumstances attending the collision between the British Steamships Kwong Tung and Hoi Ming, is published.

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

2nd December, 1910.

FINDING.

We find that the British Steamship Kwong Tung Official No. 116,032, of Hongkong, of which Henry Walker, Certificate No. 1238 of Hongkong was master, left Canton at 5.3 p.m. on 8th November, 1910, on a voyage to Hongkong. That she was closely followed by the British Steamship Hoi Ming Official No. 123,099 of Hongkong, of which Tom Austin, Certificate No. 08,032 Plymouth was master, bound on a similar voyage. That two other steamers sailed at approximately the same hour, and that they all followed each other closely down the river against a flood tide.

After passing the Whampoa Barrier, it would appear that the *Hoi Ming* attempted to pass the *Kwong Tung* and in so doing she collided with the latter vessel, inflicting slight damage on both ships. The cause of the collision was a rivalry between two competing vessels, and consequent carelessness in navigation on the part of both. We consider that ships should not follow each other so closely in these narrow waters and that steps should be taken to prevent the racing which is so liable to result from the present system.

The evidence shows that the Steamship *Hoi Ming* was immediately to blame for the collision, being the overtaking vessel.

We do not consider that the case is sufficiently serious to call for the cancellation or suspension of the certificate of competency of the master of either vessel, but would point out that the practices above alluded to may, if persisted in, lead to most serious consequences.

Given under our hands at Victoria this 30th day of November, 1910.

BASIL TAYLOR, Commander, R.N.,

Stipendiary Magistrate and President of the Court.

COURTENAY E. STAINER, Lieutenant, R.N., H.M.S. Tamar.

ROBERT A. BIRSS, Esq.,

Master of the British Steamship Sui An.

JAMES CAMERON, Esq.,

Master of the British Steamship On Lee.

WILLIAM HOWARD PADDLE, Esq.,

Master of the British Steamship Glenogle.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 370.—It is hereby notified that applications for Passage Brokers' Licences for the year 1911, under the Chinese Emigration Ordinance, 1889, will be received at this Office from the 16th to the 31st instant.

Applicants are requested to state the names and addresses of the parties they offer as sureties.

Basil Taylor, Commander, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

1st December, 1910.

Office of Registrar of Trade Marks.

No. 371.—It is hereby notified that the registration of the following trade mark has expired and that it will be removed from the Register of Trade Marks on the 2nd day of January, 1910, unless the prescribed fee for renewal of registration is paid before that date:—

Number of Trade Mark.	Name and Address of Proprietor.	Date of Expiration of Registration.
No. 146 of 1896.	Messrs. Chun Hing Lung and Company, 63 Bonham Strand West.	26th November, 1910.

A. G. M. FLETCHER, Registrar of Trade Marks.

26th November, 1910.