

DESPATCHES FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

No. 167.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET,
12th May, 1911.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty the King has decided that the Royal Standard, which is the personal flag of the Sovereign, is not in future to be flown except when and where His Majesty is personally present.

2. Accordingly Colonial Regulation No. 148, which requires the Royal Standard to be flown at Government House on the King's Birthday and on the days of His Majesty's Accession and Coronation, has been cancelled, and Colonial Regulation No. 149 will in future run as follows:—

“The Union Flag, without any badge, shall be flown at Government House daily from sunrise to sunset.”

I have, etc,

L. HARCOURT.

The Officer Administering the Government of
HONGKONG.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 168.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 10.

THURSDAY, 1ST JUNE, 1911.

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, (Colonel CHARLES WILLIAM ROBERT ST. JOHN).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (CECIL CLEMENTI).

,, the Attorney General, (CHALONER GRENVILLE ALABASTER).

,, 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, (FREDERICK WILLIAM LYONS).

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

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

,, Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

,, Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

,, Mr. CHARLES MONTAGUE EDE.

,, Mr. CHARLES HENDERSON ROSS.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 18th May, 1911, were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary informed the Council that in accordance with His Excellency the Governor's instructions the Financial Minutes will in future be presented in the form of quarterly schedules.

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

- Minutes relating to Condensed Skimmed Milk.
- Report on the Post Office Department for the year 1910.
- Report of the Director of Education for the year 1910.

The Attorney General laid on the table the following paper :—

- Report of the Standing Law Committee dated the 27th May, 1911.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee dated the 18th May, 1911, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

MILITARY CONTRIBUTION.—Mr. EDE, pursuant to notice, addressed the Council and moved the following Resolution :—

That it is desirable that the Military Contribution should be fixed at the annual sum of One million Dollars (\$1,000,000).

Mr. POLLOCK addressed the Council and seconded.

The Director of Public Works, Dr. HO KAI and His Excellency the Governor also addressed the Council.

The Resolution was then put to the vote and declared lost, seven members voting against and six—Mr. ROSS, Mr. EDE, Mr. HEWETT, Mr. POLLOCK, Mr. WEI YUK and Dr. HO KAI—for the Resolution.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the Council form itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Sale of Food and Drugs Ordinance, 1896.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, the Bill being left in Committee.

TRADE MARKS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Trade Marks Ordinance, 1909.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

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

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

STATUTE LAWS (NEW REVISED EDITION) BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorise the publication of a Newly Revised Edition of the Statute Laws of the Colony.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 8th June, 1911.

F. D. LUGARD,
Governor.

Read and confirmed this 8th day of June, 1911.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.