

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 357.

Conditions of Licence to store 30 gallons of Petrol for the use of Motor Cars, in the ground floor and backyard of a domestic building, made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 10 of the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873, (Ordinance No. 1 of 1873), this 15th day of November, 1911.

The Conditions of Licence to store 30 gallons of petrol for the use of motor cars, in the ground floor and backyard of a domestic building, made by the Governor-in-Council on the 3rd September, 1911, and published in the *Government Gazette* of the 8th September, 1911, are hereby revoked and the following are substituted therefor:—

GARAGE LICENCE (PETROL).

1. In these conditions "Petrol" means petroleum or any product of petroleum adapted for the use of motor cars which gives off an inflammable vapour at a temperature of less than 73° Fahrenheit when tested in the manner laid down in the Rules relating to the importation of petroleum into the Colony: "Drum" means a strong hermetically sealed metal drum such as is commonly known as an Insurance Drum and containing not more than 10 gallons: and "Tin" means an hermetically sealed well-soldered tin, furnished with a high screw-top outlet, of a capacity not exceeding four gallons.

2. No Petrol shall be kept or allowed to remain in any roofed-over portion of the licensed premises except a quantity not exceeding 20 gallons in the tanks of the motor cars, or partly in such tanks and partly in a drum or tin or tins.

3. Such tanks shall be so constructed and maintained that no leakage, whether of liquid or vapour, can take place therefrom, and shall be filled and emptied in the open air only.

4. No fire or artificial light shall be used in the roofed-over portion of the licensed premises in which any motor car with Petrol in its tank is, except incandescent electric light, and no inflammable goods or materials shall be kept in the roofed-over portion of such premises except as aforesaid.

5. No petrol shall be kept in the unroofed backyard of the licensed premises except in accordance with the following conditions:—

- (a.) The backyard must be at least 10 feet deep and 13 feet wide.
- (b.) The maximum quantity which may be so kept shall be 10 gallons.
- (c.) The petrol shall be either in a drum or in a tin or tins.
- (d.) The drum or tin or tins shall be kept in a brick or concrete store, with a well fitting metal cover, of sufficient capacity to hold the whole of the 10 gallons in case of leakage. The store shall be constructed, ventilated and maintained to the satisfaction of the Captain Superintendent of Police, and each ventilator shall be protected with strong fixed wire gauze. On the outside of the store shall be painted in large white letters in English and Chinese the words, "Petrol. Dangerous. Highly Inflammable."
- (e.) No substance or article other than petrol in a drum or tin or tins shall be placed in such store.
- (f.) Every such store shall be kept locked when not in actual use, and shall not be opened except by the licensee or by a responsible person authorised by him to do so.
- (g.) No fire, matches or artificial light shall be used in any portion of the backyard except incandescent electric lamps in glass globes or shades protected by wire to the satisfaction of the Captain Superintendent of Police, and no inflammable materials shall be kept or allowed to remain in such backyard.

6. No Petrol shall be sold on the licensed premises except in the original 10 gallon drums or tins. Every such drum or tin shall bear the words "Petrol. Dangerous. Highly Inflammable" legibly and indelibly stamped or marked thereon or on a metallic or enamelled label attached thereto, and such drum or tin shall also bear a label on which shall be written in English and Chinese "In case of accident smother fire with sand, earth or cloth".

7. Before repairs are done to any tank, drum or tin, the tank, drum or tin shall, as far as practicable, be cleaned by the removal of all Petrol and of dangerous vapours derived from the same. No Petrol shall be allowed to run into any sewer or drain.

8. All due precautions shall be taken for the prevention of accidents by fire or explosion, and for the prevention of unauthorised persons having access to the Petrol or to the vessels containing or intended to contain, or having actually contained, the same; and every person managing, or employed on, or in connection with, any motor car, shall abstain from every act whatever which tends to cause fire or explosion, and which is not reasonably necessary, and shall prevent any other person from committing such act.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
15th November, 1911.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 22.

THURSDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1911.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR FREDERICK JOHN DEALTRY LUGARD, G.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops. (Major-General CHARLES ALEXANDER ANDERSON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN, C.M.G.).

„ 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, (EDWIN RICHARD HALLIFAX).

„ 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. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. CHARLES HENDERSON ROSS.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 9th November, 1911, were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minute No. 89, and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 89.—Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature, Hansard Reports,.....\$120.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.