
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 56.

Order made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 9 of the Pharmacy Ordinance, 1908, (Ordinance No. 12 of 1908), this 26th day of February, 1914.

1. The following articles are hereby removed from Part II of Schedule A of the Ordinance :—

Morphine—Preparations of.

2. The following articles are hereby declared to be poisons within the meaning of the Ordinance and are hereby added to Part II of Schedule A of the Ordinance :—

Morphine, Codeine and any alkaloid of opium, Heroin, Dionin, Peronine, their salts, derivatives, solutions, admixtures and preparations of any kind whatsoever of such, except prepared or smoking opium as prepared by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

No. 57.—His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has been pleased to direct that the following names be added to the List of Authorized Architects published in Government Notification No. 167 of the 30th May, 1913 :—

HENRY THOMAS JACKMAN.
DANIEL JAFFÉ.
EDGAR WILLIAM CARPENTER.
ISIDORE MICHAEL XAVIER.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
26th February, 1914.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 58.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 2.

THURSDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 1914.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
(Sir FRANCIS HENRY MAY, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (CLAUD SEVERN).

„ the Attorney General, (JOHN ALEXANDER STRACHEY BUCKNILL, K.C.).
„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).
„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM, C.M.G.).
„ the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (EDWIN RICHARD HALLIFAX).
„ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (CHARLES McILVAINE MESSER).
„ Sir KAI HO KAI, Kt., M.B., C.M.G.

The Honourable Mr. WEI YUK, C.M.G.
 „ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.
 „ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT, C.M.G.
 „ Mr. EDWARD SHELLIM.
 „ Mr. DAVID LANDALE.

ABSENT :

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General FRANCIS HENRY KELLY, C.B.), (*absent on Military duty*).

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 22nd January, 1914, were confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 3 and 4, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

No. 3.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Buildings,
 Temporary Quarters for Scavengers,..... \$ 1,000.

No. 4.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Buildings,
 Addition to Printing Office, Victoria Gaol, 900.

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 (No. 1) dated the 22nd January, 1914, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

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

Typhoon Refuge.—Statement to 31st December, 1913.

Diagram of the Mong Kok Tsui Breakwater showing Progress of Stone Depositing to 31st December, 1913.

QUESTIONS.—Mr. Pollock, pursuant to notice, asked the following Questions :—

1. *Has the excavation for the foundation of the main dam of the new Tai Tam Tuk Reservoir been commenced yet? If so, when was it begun, and how far has such excavation proceeded?*
2. *What is the contract date for the completion of that Reservoir? What is the contract penalty for delay in completion?*
3. *Has any half-yearly return of the work done on that Reservoir been furnished to Members of Council, as promised by His Excellency the Governor, at the meeting of this Council held on the 24th October, 1912? If not, why not?*
4. *With reference to the following statement of the Director of Public Works made at the said Meeting of Council:—*
“ I trust that within two years from the present time the work will have reached such a stage as to enable us to derive some benefit from it in the way of an increased supply of water ”
does the Honourable Member desire now to qualify that statement, and, if so, to what extent and for what reason?
5. *Has the village in the prospective bed of the said Reservoir been removed? If so, when? If not, why not? When will it be moved?*
6. *With reference to the additional service reservoir and filter-beds at West Point, when is it anticipated that the construction of these works, for which \$150,000 has been provided in the Estimates for 1914, will be commenced?*

The Colonial Secretary replied.

CREMATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the regulation of the burning of Human Remains and to enable Crematoria to be established.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

FOREIGN SILVER AND NICKEL COIN (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Foreign Silver and Nickel Coin Ordinance, 1913.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

The Attorney General moved the suspension of the Standing Orders so that the Bill might be read a second and third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The Attorney General then addressed the Council and moved the second reading of the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ASIATIC EMIGRATION BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the Law relating to "Chinese Passenger Ships" as defined by the Chinese Passengers Act, 1855, and concerning Asiatic Emigrants generally.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

PHARMACY BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 9 of 1910 as incorporated in the Pharmacy Ordinance, 1908.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On the motion of the Attorney General the following amendments were agreed to:—

The words and figures "the Pharmacy Ordinance, 1908, and" were inserted after the word "amend" in the first line of the title.

The following new section, numbered 2, was inserted after section 1:—

2. Section 4 of the Pharmacy Ordinance, 1908, is hereby amended by the insertion of the words "chemist or" before the word "chemist" in the last line thereof.

Amendment
of section 4
of Ordinance
No. 12 of
1908.

Section 2 was renumbered 3.

On the motion of Sir Kai Ho Kai the new section 4 introduced by sub-section (d) of section 3 was amended by the deletion of the words "or revenue" in the second line thereof and by the substitution therefor of the following words "officer not below the rank of sergeant or to any European police or revenue officer generally or specially authorized in writing by the Captain Superintendent of Police or the Superintendent of Imports and Exports respectively".

On Council resuming the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with amendments and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ARMS AND AMMUNITION (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1900.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

OPIUM BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Opium.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On the motion of the Attorney General the following amendments were agreed to:—

Sub-section (2) of section 5 was deleted and the following new sub-section substituted therefor:—

(2.) The provisions of sub-section (1) of this section shall not ^{Exceptions.} apply:—

(a.) to opium imported by the Superintendent;

(b.) to opium brought into the Colony on any ship under a bill of lading to some place to which such opium may by the laws of such place be lawfully imported, provided that such opium shall not be removed from such ship whilst in the waters of the Colony;

(c.) to opium brought into the Colony on any ship under a bill of lading to some place to which such opium may in pursuance of any resolution of the Legislative Council notified in the *Gazette* be lawfully imported and whether or not such importation is accompanied by direct or indirect transshipment in the Colony.

In section 8 the words and figure "or in Form No. 2" were inserted after the words and figure "Form No. 1" in the third line, the comma and all the words from and including

the word “, unless” in the third line to the end of the section were deleted, and the word “landing” in the marginal note was deleted and the word “discharging” substituted therefor.

In section 9 the commas and words “, except for the purpose of taking it from the ship to a general warehouse,” were deleted, the words and figure “or in Form No. 2” were inserted after the words and figure “Form No. 1” in the third line thereof, and the words “landing raw opium” in the marginal note were deleted and the words “discharging raw opium from ship” substituted therefor. •

In sub-section (1) of section 12 the word “No” in the first line was deleted and the words “Save as provided in sections 9 and 10 no” substituted therefor.

In section 15 the words “or is to be exported” were inserted after the word “imported” at the end thereof.

In section 32 the word “be” was inserted after the word “shall” in the ninth line thereof.

In section 45 the words “generally or specially authorized in writing by the Superintendent for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this section” were inserted after the word “officer” in the second line thereof.

Sir Kai Ho Kai moved that the following proviso be added at the end of section 57:—

“ Provided always that no person shall be convicted under sub-sections (b) or (c), if he proves to the satisfaction of the Magistrate that the removal of the raw opium was not incurred with his knowledge and connivance, or was not due to his carelessness or neglect.”

Mr. Wei Yuk seconded.

On the amendment being put to the vote it was declared lost, eight members voting against and four members—Sir Kai Ho Kai, Mr. Wei Yuk, Mr. Hewett and Mr. Shellim—in favour of the amendment.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with amendments and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

DENTISTRY BILL.—The Committee stage on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the registration of qualified Dental Surgeons and otherwise to regulate the practice of Dentistry, was not proceeded with.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 26th February, 1914.

F. H. MAY,
Governor.

Read and confirmed this 26th day of February, 1914.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 59.—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinance passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 5 of 1914.—An Ordinance to provide for the regulation of the burning of Human Remains and to enable Crematoria to be established.