

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 234.—It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has, under Section 7 of the Holidays Ordinance, 1912, (Ordinance No. 5 of 1912), appointed Wednesday, the 1st day of July, 1914, to be observed as a General Holiday.

M. J. BREEN,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
25th June, 1914.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 235.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 8.

THURSDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1914.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir FRANCIS HENRY MAY, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General FRANCIS HENRY KELLY, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (CLAUD SEVERN).

” the Attorney General, (JOSEPH HORSFORD KEMP).

” the Colonial Treasurer, (EDWARD DUDLEY CORSCADEN WOLFE).

” the Director of Public Works, (ALEC FLEMING CHURCHILL).

” the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (EDWIN RICHARD HALLIFAX).

” the Captain Superintendent of Police, (CHARLES McILVAINE MESSER).

” 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.

” Mr. LAU CHŪ PAK.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 4th June, 1914, were confirmed.

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

Medical and Sanitary Reports for the year 1913.

Report on the Botanical and Forestry Department for the year 1913.

Report of the Director of Education for the year 1913.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 26 to 32, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 26.—Royal Observatory, New Instruments, .....\$1,000.00.

No. 27.—Public Works, Recurrent, New Territories, Maintenance of Buildings,—Islands in Southern District, .....	\$ 850.00.
No. 28.—Crown Solicitor's Office, Incidental Expenses,	100.00.
No. 29.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Miscellaneous Works, .....	528.00.
No. 30.—Public Works, Extraordinary, New Law Courts,—Balance of Commission to the Consulting Architects, .....	3,545.45.
No. 31.—Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Special Expenditure, Safe,.....	250.00.
No. 32.—Miscellaneous Services, Compensation to Captain and Officers of S.S. <i>Tai On</i> for the loss of personal effects, .....	180.00.

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. 6), dated the 4th June, 1914, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

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

1. *When was the contract entered into for the erection of the Kowloon Railway Station, and what was the contract-price and what is the contract-date fixed for completion? What is the cause of the delay in the erection of the Station? Will the Government lay a progress Report upon the Table at the next Meeting of Council, and thereafter at intervals of six months?*
2. *What amount has the Government expended in the erection of bathing-sheds and in the provision of bathing-facilities at West Point?*

The Colonial Secretary replied.

WILD BIRDS AND GAME PRESERVATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to make provision for the protection of certain Wild Birds and Game.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Colonial Secretary addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Six hundred and seventeen thousand seven hundred and eighty-three Dollars and one Cent, to defray the Charges of the Year 1913.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Mr. HEWETT, Mr. POLLOCK, the Colonial Secretary, the Director of Public Works and the Colonial Treasurer addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

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

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 2nd July, 1914.

F. H. MAY,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed this 25th day of June, 1914.

M. J. BREEN,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

No. 236.—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. 18 of 1914.—An Ordinance to make provision for the protection of certain Wild Birds and Game.

HONGKONG.

No. 18 OF 1914.

An Ordinance to make provision for the protection of certain Wild Birds and Game.

I assent to this Ordinance.

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F. H. MAY,  
*Governor.*

[26th June, 1914.]

- Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Wild Birds and Game Preservation Ordinance, 1914.
- Repeal of Ordinance No. 6 of 1885. 2. The Wild Birds and Game Preservation Ordinance, 1885, is hereby repealed.
- Definition. 3. In this Ordinance unless the context otherwise requires:—  
“Game” means every description of deer, hare and rabbit.
- Enumeration of offences for protection of birds in Schedule A. 4. No person shall:—  
(1.) kill, wound or take, or attempt to kill, wound or take, any bird included in Schedule A;  
(2.) take, remove, injure or destroy any nest or egg of any such bird;