

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 252.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 10.

THURSDAY, 2ND JULY, 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 CHÜ PAK.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 25th June, 1914, were confirmed.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following paper:—
Report on the Assessment for the year 1914–1915.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minute No. 36, and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 36.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong,
Shauiwan Water Works Extension, ...\$4,000.00.

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. 8), dated the 25th June, 1914, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

MOTION.—The Attorney General addressed the Council on the following motion standing in the name of the Colonial Secretary and moved as an amendment that the Council approve the draft agreement laid on the table on the 2nd July:—

That this Council approves the draft agreement laid on the table on the 4th of June, between His Excellency Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong for and on behalf of the Government of the same (who and whose successors in office are hereinafter referred to as "the Governor") of the one part, and Messrs. Denny & Bowley, Solicitors, (who and whose assigns are hereinafter called the Promoters) of the other part, with regard to a scheme for the development of a portion of the South of the Island of Hongkong, on condition that the promoters furnish to the Government satisfactory proof of their financial ability to carry out the scheme.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ESTATE DUTY BILL.—On the request of Mr. Hewett His Excellency the Governor agreed to postpone for at least six weeks the consideration of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the levy of Estate Duty payable in respect of the estates of deceased persons.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

F. H. MAY,
Governor.

Read and confirmed this 6th day of July, 1914.

M. J. BREEN,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 253.—His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances :—

Ordinance No. 2 of 1914.—An Ordinance to amend the Pharmacy Ordinance, 1908, and Ordinance No. 9 of 1910 as incorporated in the Pharmacy Ordinance, 1908.

Ordinance No. 6 of 1914.—An Ordinance to provide against the circulation in the Colony of seditious publications.

Ordinance No. 8 of 1914.—An Ordinance to amend the Electricity Supply Ordinance, 1911.

M. J. BREEN,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
7th July, 1914.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 254.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. CHRISTOPHER WILLSON to be Lieutenant and Mr. L. N. MURPHY to be Second Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, with effect from this date.

7th July, 1914.

No. 255.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. EDWARD JONES and Mr. ROBERT OLIPHANT HUTCHISON to perform the duties of Assistant Harbour Master during the absence on leave of BASIL REGINALD HAMILTON TAYLOR, Commander, R.N., or until further notice.

9th July, 1914.

No. 256.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Dr. GEORGE ERNEST AUBREY, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), M.B. (Lond.), B.S. (Lond.), to be Honorary Visiting Physician and Dr. CHARLES FORSYTH, M.B. (Edin.), B.S. (Edin.), F.R.C.S. (Edin.), to be Honorary Obstetric Physician to the Government Civil Hospital, with effect from this date.

10th July, 1914.

NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.

No. 257.—Under Section 16 of the Companies Amendment Ordinance, 1913, it is hereby notified, for general information, that in addition to those already notified, the following person has made application to be appointed auditor for the purposes of the Companies Ordinances, 1911 and 1913, and that he is, in my opinion, qualified to perform the duties required by the said Ordinances to be performed by an auditor :—

JOHN HALIFAX LIND, *Yokohama*.