No. 520.

Regulation made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 3 of the Licensing Ordinance, 1887, (Ordinance No. 8 of 1887), this 24th day of December, 1914.

The Regulations made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 3 of the Licensing Ordinance, 1887, and published in the *Gazette* of the 18th December, 1914, are hereby repealed and the following regulation substituted therefor:—

"The fee payable in respect of a Money Changer's Licence shall be \$50.00 per annum instead of \$10.00 per annum as hitherto."

M. J. Breen, Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber,

24th December, 1914.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 521.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 23.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 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. Edbert Ansgar Hewett, C.M.G.

Mr. Lau Chü Pak.

,, Mr. Edward Shellim.

ABSENT:

Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

Mr. David Landale.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 3rd December, 1914, were confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 82 to 87, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 82.—Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories,	
Roads, Extension at Castle Peak Bay, in-	
cluding Construction of Pier,	\$ 2,600.00
No. 83.—Miscellaneous Services, Loss on Subsidiary Coins,	310,000.00
No. 84.—War Department Expenditure,	78,200.00
No. 85.—Volunteer Reserve, Camp of Instruction,	3,000.00
No. 86.—Peak School, Books and Incidental Expenses,	53.73
No. 87.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Drain-	
age. Draining Swamps at Shaukiwan	150.00

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council with reference to Minute No. 84.

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. 17), dated the 3rd December, 1914, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

DEFENCES (SKETCHING PREVENTION) AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinancy to amend the Defences (Sketching Prevention) Ordinance, 1895.

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.

RECREATION GROUNDS (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Recreation Grounds Ordinance, 1909.

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.

Adjournment.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 24th day of December, 1914.

F. H. MAY, Governor.

Read and confirmed this 24th day of December, 1914.

M. J. Breen, Clerk of Councils.