#### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 107.

Order made by the Governor-in-Council under section 10 of the Certificates of Origin Ordinance, 1915, (Ordinance No. 8 of 1915), on the 11th day of March, 1915.

The following classes of goods wares and merchandise shall be exempt from the operation of the Certificates of Origin Ordinance, 1915, until further order:—

Foodstuffs

Timber of all kinds (including pit-props).

Strawboard.

Wood pulp.

Iron ore.

Granite.

Ice.

Tar.

Carbide of calcium.

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

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 11th March, 1915.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 108.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 4.

THURSDAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1915.

#### Present:

# HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR (Sir Francis Henry May, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (CLAUD SEVERN).

- the Attorney General, (Joseph Horsford Кемр).
- ,, the Colonial Treasurer, (Alexander Macdonald Thomson).
- ,, the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM, C.M.G.).
- ,, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (Stewart Buckle Carne Ross).
- the Captain Superintendent of Police, (Charles McLlvaine 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.

#### ABSENT:

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General Francis Henry Kelly, C.B.).

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 26th February, 1915, were confirmed.

Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following paper:—Jurors List for 1915.

Financial Minutes.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minute No. 3, and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 3.—Magistracy, 2 Chinese Constables, .......\$378.00.

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. 1), dated the 26th February, 1915, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ESTIMATES FOR 1915.—His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council and read a paragraph from the Secretary of State's despatch approving the Estimates for the year 1915.

PRIVATE BILLS BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to provide for the payment of fees in respect of Private Bills.

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.

Seditious Publications (Possession) Bill.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the law relating to Seditious Publications.

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.

REGULATIONS BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to authorise the publication of an edition of the regulations rules and by-laws in force in the Colony on the 31st December, 1914.

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 it was agreed that the marginal note "Mode of proof." be inserted in section 6.

On Council resuming the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with a slight 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.

Certificates of Origin Bill.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to provide for certificates of origin in respect of goods wares and merchandise sought to be imported from certain places and to provide for the furnishing of import manifests.

Mr. Hewett addressed the Council.

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:-

In section 11, the words "upon conviction either summarily or on indictment" were inserted after the word "liable" in the third line.

In section 12, the date "1st day of April" was deleted and the date "15th day of March" substituted therefor.

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.

ALIEN ENEMIES (WINDING UP) AMENDMENT BILL.—The Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Alien Enemies (Winding up) Ordinance, 1914, was not proceeded with.

Adjournment.—The Council then adjourned sine die.

F. H. MAY, Governor.

Read and confirmed this 11th day of March, 1915.

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

### APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 109.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Arnold Hackney Hollingsworth to act as 2nd Assistant Director of Public Works, and Mr. Frederick Alan Bidex to act as an Executive Engineer, during the absence on leave of Mr. Charles Henry Gale, or until further notice, with effect from the 25th February, 1915.

12th March, 19**1**5.

No. 110.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Charles William Jeffries to act as Director of the Royal Observatory, during the absence on leave of Mr. Thomas Folkes Clarton or until further notice, with effect from the 25th February, 1915.

12th March, 1915.