

NOTE (4).—The above additions and removals were made in the United Kingdom on the dates which appear opposite to the respective names.

NOTE (5).—A consolidating statutory list, complete to the 4th January, 1918, may be obtained from the Government Printers, Messrs. Noronha & Co., No. 14A, Des Vœux Road Central, who can also supply copies of the Orders in Council made since that date. The consolidating statutory list contains on page 10 a list of all the Orders in Council up to and including the 4th January, 1918. The dates of the subsequent Orders in Council are as follows :—

25th January, 1918.	12th July, 1918.
22nd February, 1918.	9th August, 1918.
8th March, 1918.	30th August, 1918.
23rd May, 1918.	13th September, 1918.
31st May, 1918.	20th September, 1918.
21st June, 1918.	18th October, 1918.
28th June, 1918.	

NOTE (6).—It is not unusual for firms in Holland and the Netherland East Indies to be registered under names commencing with descriptive terms such as "Handel Maatschappij" (Trading Company) or "Naamlooze Venootschap" (Limited Liability Company). In such cases it has been found more convenient to publish the firm under its proper name, followed by the general descriptive term "Handel Maatschappij" or "Naamlooze Venootschap" (N.V.), as in the case of an English company. For instance, Handel Maatschappij Louvre and Naamlooze Venootschap de Komeet v/h Dumonceau Frères will be found under Louvre and Komeet respectively, and not necessarily under "Handel" or "Naamlooze," though cross references may be given.

NOTE (7).—The Medan Handel Maatschappij (Raden Soenarto), of Medan, which was placed on the Statutory List on the 12th July, 1918, is quite distinct from the Medansche Handel Maatschappij, voorheen Th. Konow Söeberg & Co., also of Medan. There is no objection to the latter firm.

No. 405.—It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in Council has, under Section 7 of the Holidays Ordinance, 1912, Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, appointed Monday, the 25th day of November, 1918, to be observed as a General Holiday in substitution for Monday, the 11th day of November, 1918.

A. D. BALL,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
17th October, 1918.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 406.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 9.

THURSDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1918.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT
(Mr. CLAUD SEVERN, C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General FRANCIS VENTRIS).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (ARTHUR GEORGE MURCHISON FLETCHER).

„ the Attorney General, (JOSEPH HORSFORD KEMP, C.B.E.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Director of Public Works, (THOMAS LUFF PERKINS).

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

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

„ Mr. EDWARD SHELLIM.

„ Mr. DAVID LANDALE.

„ Mr. PERCY HOBSON HOLYOAK.

„ Mr. HO FOOK.

„ Mr. HERBERT WILLIAM BIRD.

„ Mr. CHAN KAI-MING.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 29th August, 1918, were confirmed.

NEW MEMBERS.—Mr. PERKINS and Mr. CHAN KAI-MING took the Oath and assumed their seats as Members of the Council. Mr. BIRD, having taken the Oath previous to the meeting, also assumed his seat as a Member of the Council.

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

Draft Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for 1919.

Abstract showing the Differences between the Approved Estimates of Expenditure for 1918 and the Estimates of Expenditure for 1919.

Financial Statements in connection with the Estimates for 1919.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 62 to 78, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

No. 62.—Government Marine Surveyor's Office, Launch Repairs,	\$ 500.00
No. 63.—Crown Solicitor's Office, Extra Legal Expenses,	151,870.15
No. 64.—Miscellaneous Services, Lifts Maintenance,	1,800.00
No. 65.—Public Works, Recurrent, New Territories, (45) Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages,	11,000.00
No. 66.—Miscellaneous Services, Improvement to Naval Tennis Courts, &c.,	258.00
No. 67.—Fire Brigade, Repairs to Engines and Plant, ...	700.00
No. 68.—Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, (45) Miscellaneous Works,	6,000.00
No. 69.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Drainage, (7) Training Nullahs, (b.)—General Works,	8,500.00
No. 70.—Public Works, Recurrent, Hongkong, (17) Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages,	2,700.00
No. 71.—Charitable Services, Other Charitable Allowances,.....	600.00
No. 72.—Charitable Services, Grant to Alice Memorial Hospital on account of Damages by Rainstorms to Retaining Wall,	1,000.00
No. 73.—Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, (45) Miscellaneous Works,	4,000.00
No. 74.—Botanical and Forestry Department, Forestry, New Territories,	1,100.00
No. 75.—Botanical and Forestry Department, Improvements to Fanling Golf Course,	164.98
No. 76.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Resumption of Ferry Piers,.....	29,500.00
No. 77.—Harbour Master's Department, D.—Steam Launches, Repairs,	5,000.00
No. 78.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Drainage, (33) Training Nullahs, General Works,	7,500.00

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council in connection with Minute No. 63.

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 29th August, 1918, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

QUESTIONS.—Mr. BIRD, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

1. Will the Government take immediate steps to disconnect the Pokfulum reservoir from the drinking supply of the Colony so that the catchment area of this reservoir may be opened up for building purposes?
2. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a road connecting the Pokfulum Road with the Craigmin Road round the South face of Mt. Kellett somewhere about the 1000 foot contour?
3. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a motor road to the Peak on the South face of Mt. Kellett on the lines suggested by the Hongkong Automobile Association?
4. For what purpose does the Government intend to use the area above Wongneicheong Valley previously reserved for Mr. Ede's Portuguese Housing Scheme?
5. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a 20-foot road between the 100 and 200 foot contour from the back of Tai Hang Village round North Point joining the road leading to Quarry Gap thereby opening up a considerable area of easily developed land?
6. In connection with the construction of new roads opening up building sites, will the Government undertake to lay water mains therein so that intending purchasers of land may not have to pay for their water supply out of all proportion to the cost of the building?
7. Will the Government consider a project to move the Government Civil Hospital and Lunatic Asylum from their present situation to a more suitable site at Kennedy Town where the present Tung Wah Plague and Infectious Diseases Hospitals are located which would be easily accessible for stretcher cases by motor ambulance, for out-patients by tram, and harbour cases by launch, so that the existing Civil Hospital site together with the Berlin Mission property might be available at a reasonable price for the erection of a large number of cheap flats at low rentals.

The Colonial Secretary replied.

OPIUM BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved that the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance, 1914, and the Opium Ordinance, 1917, be withdrawn.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General then moved the First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance, 1914, and the Opium Ordinance, 1917.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

APPROPRIATION BILL FOR 1919.—The Colonial Secretary moved the First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Ten million six hundred and five thousand three hundred and forty-five Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1919.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 17th day of October, 1918.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Officer Administering the Government.

Confirmed this 17th day of October, 1918.

A. D. BALL,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 407.—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 13 of 1918.—An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance, 1914, and the Opium Ordinance, 1917.

Ordinance No. 14 of 1918.—An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Ten million six hundred and five thousand three hundred and forty-five Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1919.