

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 132.

Rules made by the Governor in Council under section 18 of the Prison Ordinance, 1889, Ordinance No. 4 of 1889, this 11th day of March, 1920.

The Rules made by the Governor in Council under section 18 of the above Ordinance and published on pages 471 to 536 of the Regulations of Hongkong, 1914, as amended by the Rules made by the Governor in Council on the 16th day of May, 1918, and published in the *Gazette* on the 17th day of May, 1918, as Government Notification No. 181 as further amended by the Rule made by the Governor in Council on the 6th day of November, 1919, and published in the *Gazette* on the 7th day of November, 1919, as Government Notification No. 520 and as further amended by the Rule made by the Governor in Council on the 11th day of December, 1919, and published in the *Gazette* on the 12th day of December, 1919, as Government Notification No. 564 are hereby further amended as follows:—

1. By adding at the end of Rule 100 the following:—

“The services of any subordinate officer may however be dispensed with at any time during his period of probation if he is found unfitted for the post in which case he shall unless he has committed an offence rendering him liable to dismissal be entitled to one month’s notice or one month’s salary in lieu of notice.”

2. By repealing Rule 101 and substituting therefor the following:—

Engagement,
dismissal,
and resignation.

“101. Every subordinate officer may at the expiration of his period of probation and before being put on the permanent staff be required to enter into an engagement to serve in such capacity for a period of not more than 5 years and during the period of such engagement he shall not be entitled to quit the service without the permission of the Governor. If however during the period of his engagement any subordinate officer shall in the opinion of the Governor be unfit to perform his duties owing to any reason not amounting to an offence the Governor shall have the power to terminate the engagement by giving to such subordinate officer one month’s notice or paying to him one month’s salary in lieu of notice. In the case of any subordinate officer committing an offence he shall be liable to dismissal without notice and shall forfeit any pay then due to him.”

3. By repealing Rule 314 and substituting therefor the following:—

Prisoners
under sen-
tence for
period
exceeding
10 years.

314. The name of every prisoner irrespective of his age sentenced to imprisonment for a term exceeding ten years shall be submitted for the consideration of the Governor in Council after he has served seven, ten, fifteen and twenty years.

The Medical Officer shall report in each case the condition of the prisoner mental and physical and whether imprisonment appears to have had or in his opinion may be likely to have an injurious effect on the prisoner’s condition.

W. J. CARRIE,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
11th March, 1920.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 133.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. CHARLES WILLIAM JEFFRIES to act as Director, Royal Observatory, during the absence on leave of Mr. THOMAS FOLKES CLAXTON or until further notice, with effect from the 2nd March, 1920.

10th March, 1920.