

DESPATCHES FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

No. 61.—The following telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor is published for general information :—

“In informing you that His Majesty the KING has entrusted to me the seals of the Colonial Department I wish to assure you of my interest in the fortunes of the community over which you preside. I look forward to receiving your earnest co-operation in dealing with the difficulties which the war has left in its train and in developing our great inheritance for the common good. You may rely on my support in your task.

WINSTON CHURCHILL.”

16th February, 1921.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. I.

THURSDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 1921.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
(SIR REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General Sir GEORGE MACAULAY KIRKPATRICK, K.C.S.I., K.C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (CLAUD SEVERN, C.M.G.).

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

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (CHARLES McILVAINE MESSER, O.B.E.).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM, C.M.G.).

„ the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (STEWART BUCKLE CARNE ROSS).

„ the Director of Education, (EDWARD ALEXANDER IRVING).

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

„ Mr. LAU CHÜ-PAK.

„ Mr. PERCY HOBSON HOLYOAK.

„ Mr. Ho Fook.

„ Mr. JOHN JOHNSTONE.

„ Mr. EDWARD VICTOR DAVID PARR.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

INVESTITURE.—His Excellency the Governor invested Major CHRISTOPHER WILLSON as an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (Military).

NEW MEMBERS.—His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops and Mr. ROSS took the Oath and assumed their seats as Members of the Council.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 23rd December, 1920, were confirmed.

STANDING LAW COMMITTEE.—His Excellency the Governor appointed the following to be Members of the Standing Law Committee :—The Attorney General (*Chairman*), the Colonial Treasurer, Mr. POLLOCK, Mr. LAU CHÜ-PAK, and Mr. HOLYOAK.