Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1921.

R. E. STUBBS, Governor.

Confirmed this 3rd day of March, 1921.

S. B. B. McElderry, Clerk of Councils.

No. 80.

Resolution passed by the Legislative Council on the 3rd day of March, 1921.

Whereas it is expected that the total Revenue derived from Light Dues (Special Assessment) since the introduction of the rates at present in force will exceed in the current year the sum of \$1,104,293, being half the cost of the Typhoon Refuge at Mongkoktsui:

And whereas an undertaking was given that this Special Assessment would not be continued after the above mentioned sum had been raised unless a new Resolution should first be proposed to the Legislative Council:

And whereas, in view of the financial requirements of the Colony, it is expedient to continue the collection of Light Dues at the present rates:

It is hereby resolved by this Council that Light Dues shall continue to be collected during the present year at the rates laid down in Table P of the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, No. 10 of 1899.

S. B. B. McElderry, Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, 3rd March, 1921.

No. 81.—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

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Ordinance No. 4 of 1921.—An Ordinance to amend the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912.

Ordinance No. 5 of 1921.—An Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908.

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No. 4 of 1921.

I assent to this Ordinance.



R. E. STUBBS, Governor.

4th March, 1921.

An Ordinance to amend the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912.

[4th March, 1921.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Short title and construction. Ordinance No. 40 of 1912.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1921, and shall be read and construed as one with the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912, hereinafter referred to as the principal Ordinance, and the said Ordinance and this Ordinance may be cited together as the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinances, 1912 and 1921.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 40 of 1912, s. 2.

- 2. Section 2 of the principal Ordinance is amended by the addition of the following paragraph at the end thereof:—
 - (l) "Motor Vehicle" means a vehicle propelled by mechanical power.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 40 of 1912, s. 3.

- 3. Section 3 of the principal Ordinance is amended as follows:—
 - (a) by the insertion of the following paragraph immediately after the eighth paragraph thereof:—
 - (9) for granting exclusive rights of maintaining services of public motor vehicles, for enforcing the obligations of any persons to whom such rights may be granted, for requiring security from such persons and for realising such security, for the amendment or cancellation of such rights when granted, for prescribing the fees to be paid in respect of such rights and for the effective control and protection of such services;
 - (b) by the renumbering of paragraph (9) as paragraph (10).

Amendment of Ordinance No. 40 of 1912, s. 4.

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4. Section 4 of the principal Ordinance is amended by the deletion of the figures and words "50 dollars or in default of payment thereof to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 2 months" in the third and fourth lines thereof, and by the substitution therefor of the words "two hundred and fifty dollars and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months".

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 3rd day of March, 1921.

S. B. B. McElderry, Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 4th day of March, 1921.

CLAUD SEVERN, Colonial Secretary.

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No. 5 of 1921.

I assent to this Ordinance.



R. E. STUBBS, Governor.

4th March, 1921.

An Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908.

[4th March, 1921.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:-

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Widows' and Short title Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1921, and shall be read and and construed as one with the Widows' and Orphans' construction. Pension Ordinance, 1908, hereinafter called the principal Ordinance Ordinance, and the said Ordinance and this Ordinance No. 1 may be cited together as the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinances, 1908 and 1921.

2. Section 2 of the principal Ordinance, as amended Amendment by section 2 of the Widows' and Orphans' Pension of Ordinance (Amendment) Ordinance, 1914, is further amended by No. 15 of the deletion of the definition of the term "officer" and Naw Years. by the substitution therefor of the following definition:-

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"Officer" means:-

- (a) a person permanently employed in the 1914. service of the Government; or
- (b) an European member of the police force of the rank of sergeant or of higher rank; or
- (c) a married European member of the police force below the rank of sergeant whose marriage has received or may hereafter receive either the previous or the subsequent approval of the Captain Superintendent of Police:

Provided that the term "officer" does not include any such person whose salary is less than \$420 per annum.

3.-(1.) Every person contributing to the Fund at Existing the date of the commencement of this Ordinance who contributors falls outside the definition of the term "officer" con- who fall tained in section 2 of this Ordinance may either continue outside the new to contribute to the Fund or may withdraw from the definition of Fund and receive therefrom one-half of the total amount officer. of the contributions made by him, without interest.

- (2.) If any person to whom this section applies fails to give due notice to the Directors of his desire to continue to contribute to the Fund such person shall be deemed to have elected to withdraw from the Fund.
- (3.) For the purpose of sub-section (2) of this section due notice shall mean notice which shall reach the Directors:
 - (a) within one month after return from leave in the case of persons who are on leave at the commencement of this Ordinance; and

(b) within one month after the commencement of this Ordinance in the case of persons who are not on leave at the commencement of this Ordinance.

Persons who have left the service not affected.

4. Nothing in this Ordinance shall affect the rights of any person who shall have left the public service before the commencement of this Ordinance.

Repeal of Ordinance No. 21 of 1914. 5. The Widows' and Orphans' Pension (Amendment) Ordinance, 1914, is repealed.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 3rd day of March, 1921.

S. B. B. McElderry, Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 4th day of March, 1921.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 82.—His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances:—

Ordinance No. 8 of 1920. -- An Ordinance to amend the law relating to societies.

Ordinance No. 10 of 1920.—An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Fourteen million and eighty-four thousand six hundred and sixty-two Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1921.

Ordinance No. 12 of 1920.—An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897.

S. B. B. McElderry, Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, 4th March, 1921.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 83.—With reference to Government Notification No. 453 published in the Gazette of the 3rd September, 1920, it is hereby notified that Mr. E. Suzuki, Consul General for Japan, has returned from leave and has resumed charge of the Japanese Consulate General.

2nd March, 1921.

No. 84.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Harold Kennard Holmes to act as Land Officer in addition to his other duties, during the absence on leave of Mr. Philip Jacks, with effect from the 5th March, 1921.

4th March, 1921.

No. 85.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to recognise Messrs. VERNE GLENN STATEN and HUGH St. ELMO MILLER as Vice-Consuls of the United States of America in Hongkong.

4th March, 1921.