
APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 334.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint LEUNG KWAN (梁坤) to be a "Forest Officer" for the control and superintendence of the forests of the Colony, in succession to CHENG FUK (鄭福) dismissed, with effect from the 1st August, 1921.

4th August, 1921.

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 335.—The following Warrant of His Majesty the KING is published for general information.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

5th August, 1921.

THE COLONIAL AUXILIARY FORCES
OFFICERS' DECORATION WARRANT.

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India: To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting:

WHEREAS Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, did, by Royal Warrant dated the 18th day of May, 1899, institute and create a decoration entitled "The Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration" (hereinafter referred to as "the Decoration") to be awarded to Commissioned Officers of Our Colonial Auxiliary Forces in recognition of long and meritorious service, and did lay down rules and ordinances for the governance of the same, which rules and ordinances were subsequently amended by Royal Warrant dated the 3rd day of August, 1902:

AND WHEREAS We desire to recognise specially the meritorious service of Officers of Our Dominion and Colonial Auxiliary Forces during the late war:

And whereas We also deem it expedient to promulgate new rules and ordinances in substitution for those contained in the aforesaid Royal Warrants:

NOW THEREFORE We do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances heretofore in force shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled, and We are pleased to make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall from henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

Firstly.—It is ordained that the Decoration shall, as heretofore, consist of a chased oval band of silver having thereon the words "Colonial Auxiliary Forces," and in the centre the Imperial Cypher in silver gilt; the whole surmounted by the Imperial Crown in silver gilt.

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Decoration shall be worn after all British War Medals, suspended from the left breast, by a green riband of one inch and a-half in width, from a silver brooch.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that the Decoration may be worn by Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Kings and Queens Regnant of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, to confer the Decoration upon any of the Princes of the Royal Family of Great Britain and Ireland.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that the Decoration shall be conferred on duly qualified Commissioned Officers of all authorized Auxiliary Military Forces (*i.e.*, other than Permanent Forces) of Our Dominions, Colonies and Dependencies (except India) and of countries under Our protection (hereinafter referred to as Protectorates), whether designated as Militia or Volunteers or otherwise.

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the period of service requisite to qualify for the Decoration shall be 20 years' commissioned service; that half the time served in the ranks of the aforesaid Auxiliary Military Forces (including India) or in the ranks of the Territorial Force of Great Britain or Volunteer Force which existed before 1st April, 1908, shall be reckoned as qualifying service; and that Service on the West Coast of Africa shall reckon two-fold as qualifying service.

Sixthly.—It is ordained that Commissioned Service rendered wholly in the Auxiliary Forces of one or more Dominion, Colony or Protectorate; or partly in the Auxiliary Forces of one or more Dominion, Colony or Protectorate, partly in the Territorial Force of Great Britain, or partly in any Naval or Military Volunteer Force of any part of Our Empire (except service since the 4th August, 1914, in the Volunteer Force of Great Britain raised under the Volunteer Acts, 1863-1916), shall be reckoned as qualifying service for the Decoration.

Seventhly.—It is ordained that service on the Permanent Staff of the Auxiliary Forces of Our Dominions, Colonies, Dependencies or Protectorates by members of the Permanent Forces shall not reckon as qualifying service for the Decoration.

Eighthly.—It is ordained that service qualifying for the Decoration shall also count towards the qualifying service necessary for "The Territorial Officers' Decoration," and *vice versâ*.

Ninthly.—It is ordained that an officer of the Auxiliary Forces of one of Our Dominions, Colonies, Dependencies or Protectorates who during the late war actually served, or accepted the obligation of serving, beyond the boundaries of the Dominion, Colony, Dependency or Protectorate, shall reckon all embodied service as an officer on the active list two-fold as qualifying service towards the requisite 20 years, whether such service was in Our Naval Forces, Our Military Forces, or Our Air Forces.

Provided that nothing in this Royal Warrant shall permit service to count more than two-fold towards the award of the Decoration.

Tenthly.—It is ordained that an officer of the Auxiliary Forces of one of Our Dominions, Colonies, Dependencies or Protectorates who during the late war actually served, or accepted the obligation of serving, beyond the boundaries of the Dominion, Colony, Dependency, or Protectorate, shall reckon all embodied service in the ranks on the active list as full qualifying service towards the requisite 20 years, whether such service was in Our Naval Forces, Our Military Forces, or Our Air Forces.

Eleventhly.—It is ordained that a recipient of the Decoration shall be permitted to wear with it any "Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal" which may have been awarded to him, provided that he has completed the full qualifying service required for both the Medal and the Decoration.

Twelfthly.—It is ordained that the Decoration shall be conferred under such regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration, and other matters, in amplification of these Our rules and ordinances, as may with Our approval signified through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, be issued from time to time by the Governors-General, Governors or officers administering the government of Our Dominions, Colonies, or Protectorates, as the case may be.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these rules

and ordinances, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Royal Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at *St James's*, this 9th day of June, 1921, in the twelfth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

L. WORTHINGTON-EVANS.

Note.—The Warrant of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, dated the 18th day of May, 1899, was published in the *Gazette* of the 21st day of October, 1899, and Regulations made thereunder were published in the *Gazette* of the 24th day of April, 1903.

The Warrant published above cancels the Warrant of 1899 and the Regulations made thereunder. The question of making new regulations is being considered.

TREASURY.

No. 336.—Financial Statement for the month of April, 1921.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Balance of Assets and Liabilities on 31st March, 1921,	\$ 5,037,504.46
Revenue from 1st to 30th April, 1921,	1,397,190.54
	6,434,695.00
Expenditure from 1st to 30th April, 1921,	1,382,638.53
	Balance,.....\$ 5,052,056.47

Assets and Liabilities on the 30th April, 1921.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
	\$ c.		\$ c.
Deposits not Available,.....	902,380.24	Subsidiary Coins,	1,632,070.04
Postal Agencies,	41,687.85	Advances,	538,969.74
Shipping Control Account,	2,231,204.11	Building Loans,	476,000.00
Suspense Account,.....	70.85	Imprest,	55,172.50
		House Service Account,.....	2,931.32
		Crown Agents Deposit Account, ...	98,356.78
		Unallocated Stores, (P.W.D.),.....	303,461.95
		Unallocated Stores, (Railway), ...	250,239.46
		Coal Account,.....	191,937.09
		Investment Account,.....	3,831,026.44*
Total Liabilities,	3,175,343.05	Balance, Bank,	819,282.37
Balance,	5,052,056.47	Crown Agents' Current Account,...	27,657.48
		Exchange,	294.35
TOTAL,.....\$	8,227,399.52	TOTAL,.....\$	8,227,399.52

* Invested as follows :—

	Value of Stock.	Actual Cost.	Market Value.
Hongkong 6% War Loan, 1921-1923, ...	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
4% Funding Loan, 1960-1990,	£835,000 0s. 0d.	£696,089 5s. 0d. (71½)	£597,025 0s. 0d.

C. McI. MESSER,
Treasurer.

30th July, 1921.