

No. 385.—The following proposed additions to the Public Health and Buildings Bill which is now before the Legislative Council are published for general information. It is intended to insert them in the bill in the Committee stage.

5. Section 89 of the principal Ordinance is amended by the insertion of the words “, or is reasonably suspected to have been,” between the word “been” and the word “recently” in the fourth line thereof.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, s. 89.

6. The following section is inserted in the principal Ordinance immediately after section 95 thereof:—

Insertion of new section in Ordinance No. 1 of 1903.

Penalty for obstructing officers of the Department in execution of their duties.

95a. Every person who obstructs any officer of the Department in the execution of the duties, or in the exercise of the powers, imposed or conferred upon him by any of the provisions of this Ordinance or by any of the by-laws made thereunder, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars or to imprisonment not exceeding one month.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

9th September, 1921.

Note 1.—The object of clause 5 is to give the Sanitary Department power to disinfect premises where infected cases are reasonably suspected to have occurred. As the law stands at present, disinfection can only be carried out where infectious cases have actually occurred. It often happens that the Department is morally certain that given premises have been occupied by infected persons, but at the same time is unable to carry out the necessary disinfection in the absence of definite proof of the facts. The amendment effected by this clause in section 89 of the Ordinance is therefore considered advisable in the public interest.

Note 2.—Clause 6 adds a new section to the Ordinance and provides a penalty for obstructing the officers of the Sanitary Department in the execution of their duties. Section 25 of the original Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, provided a penalty for obstructing an officer of the Board in the execution of his duties, but the section was subsequently repealed and apparently absorbed in section 47 of the Interpretation Ordinance, Ordinance No. 31 of 1911. That section is however limited to obstruction by force or violence. It has been thought advisable in the public interest to re-enact the old section in practically the same words as before. The penalty is now twenty-five dollars or one month's imprisonment instead of one hundred dollars.

OFFICE OF REGISTRAR OF TRADE MARKS.

No. 386.—It is hereby notified that the following Letters Patent have been granted:—

Number.	Date of Grant.	Name of Grantee.	Address of Grantee.	Description of Invention.
No. 11 of 1921.	30th August, 1921.	A. B. Dick Company.	A corporation of the State of Illinois having its principal place of business at 161, West Jackson Boulevard in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, U.S.A.	An invention for improvements in Stencil Duplicating Sheets and in the Process of making a Stencil therefrom.

2nd September, 1921.