

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 434.

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THURSDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1921.

## PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR  
(SIR REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G.).His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Lieut.-General Sir GEORGE  
MACAULAY KIRKPATRICK, K.C.B., K.C.S.I.).

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

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

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

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

,, the Director of Public Works, (THOMAS LUFF PERKINS).

,, Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

,, Mr. LAU CHÜ-PAK.

,, Mr. PERCY HOBSON HOLYOAK.

,, Mr. HO FOOK.

,, Mr. HERBERT WILLIAM BIRD.

,, Mr. ALEXANDER GORDON STEPHEN.

## ABSENT:

,, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (STEWART BUCKLE CARNE ROSS,  
O.B.E.).

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENTATION OF DECORATION.—His Excellency the Governor presented the badge of Member of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire to Mr. S. J. SYRETT, Naval Armament Supply Officer.

MINUTES.—The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 1st September, 1921, were confirmed.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following paper:—

Regulation made by the Governor in Council under section 23 (1) of the Waterworks Ordinance, 1903, on 1st September, 1921.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 82 and 83, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 82.—Police and Fire Brigade:—

B.—Fire Brigade:—

Repairs to Motor Engines and Plants, .....	\$	420.00	
Coal and Oil fuel, .....		750.00	
Incidental Expenses, .....		70.00	
			\$ 1,240.00

No. 83.—Kowloon-Canton Railway, Special Expenditure,  
Produce Shelter, Taipo Market, .....\$ 150.00

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 10), dated the 1st September, 1921, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend further the Legal Practitioners Ordinance, 1871, should be discharged.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL FOR 1920.—The Colonial Secretary moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of One million four hundred and fifty-seven thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven Dollars and seventy-four Cents to defray the Charges of the year 1920.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Mr. POLLOCK addressed the Council.

The Colonial Secretary, the Director of Public Works and His Excellency the Governor replied.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Colonial Secretary then moved that the Bill be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

GENERAL LOAN AND INSCRIBED STOCK BILL.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the General Loan and Inscribed Stock Ordinance, 1913.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

PRAJA EAST RECLAMATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to provide for the reclamation of the foreshore and sea bed off Praya East, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Mr. BIRD, Mr. POLLOCK, the Director of Public Works and His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

**BILLS OF EXCHANGE BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend further the Bills of Exchange Ordinance, 1885.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

**INDEMNITY BILL.**—The Attorney General moved that the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to restrict the taking of legal proceedings in respect of certain acts and matters done during the war and to provide in certain cases remedies in substitution therefor, should be postponed to the next meeting of the Council.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**DEPORTATION BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Deportation Ordinance, 1917.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

**TOBACCO BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Tobacco Ordinance, 1916.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

**STAMP AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1921.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ESTATE DUTY BILL.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1915.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND BUILDINGS BILL.—With the consent of the Council, the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend further the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, was postponed to the next meeting of the Council.

ADJOURNMENT.—Council then adjourned until after the meeting of the Finance Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL.—On Council resuming, the Colonial Secretary reported that the Bill intituled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of One million four hundred and fifty-seven thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven Dollars and seventy-four Cents to defray the Charges of the year 1920, had been approved by the Finance Committee, and moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

R. E. STUBBS,  
*Governor.*

Confirmed this 27th day of October, 1921.

S. B. B. McELDERRY,  
*Clerk of Councils.*