

Civil Hospital, the Lunatic Asylum or the Kennedy Town Hospital according to the following scale :—

Annual Salary.	Class I.	Class II.	Class III.
Under \$300 per annum	—	—	Free
From \$300 to \$1,000 per annum	—	50 cents	25 cents
From { \$1,001 to \$2,000 } { £100 to £200 } per annum	—	\$1.00	60 cents
From { \$2,001 to \$3,000 } { £201 to £300 } per annum	—	\$2.00	\$1.20
From { \$3,001 to \$4,000 } { £301 to £400 } per annum	—	\$2.50	\$1.50
Over { \$4,000 } { £400 } per annum	\$5.00	\$3.50	\$2.00

Children under twelve years of age half price in each class.

No. 476.

Order made by the Governor in Council under section 7 of the Rating Ordinance, 1901, Ordinance No. 6 of 1901, this 17th day of November, 1921.

It is hereby ordered that a valuation of the tenements in the Colony for the year commencing 1st July, 1922, shall be made before the 30th day of April, 1922, or as soon thereafter as may be.

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

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
17th November, 1921.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 477.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 15.

THURSDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 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 HORSFORD KEMP, C.B.E., K.C.).

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

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

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

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

MINUTES.—The Minutes of the last Meeting held on the 27th October, 1921, were confirmed.

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

Regulations made by the Governor in Council under section 3 of the Licensing Ordinance, 1887, on 13th October.

FINANCIAL MINUTE.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minute No. 114, and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 114.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong:—

Buildings, (7) Additional Quarters at Happy Valley (12 houses),	\$ 20,000.00
Miscellaneous, (26) Central Police Station, Reconstruction of kitchen and bath-room block,..	7,000.00
	\$ 27,000.00

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. 12), dated the 27th October, 1921, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS.—Mr. POLLOCK gave notice that he will put the following questions at the next meeting of the Council:—

1. *When does the Government intend to publish the Report of the Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the purpose of considering what measures can best be taken*
 - (i.) *To facilitate the prompt acquisition by applicants of sites which they require:*
 - (ii.) *To facilitate the prompt passing of building plans?*
2. *What measures does the Government propose to take for the purpose of carrying out the recommendations made in the Report of the Commission on Child Labour?*

APPROPRIATION BILL FOR 1922.—With the consent of the Council, the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Sixteen million four hundred and fifty thousand one hundred and thirty-one Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1922, was postponed to the next meeting of the Council.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION SECOND AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinances, 1908 and 1921.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council go into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

The Attorney General moved that the words "three months" be substituted for the words "one month" in sub-clause 3 of clause 4 in the first line of paragraph (a) and the first line of paragraph (b) in each case.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with amendments 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.

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend further the Legal Practitioners Ordinance, 1871.

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.

RENTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General laid on the table the report of the Standing Law Committee, (No. 1), addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Rents Ordinance, 1921.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

The Attorney General moved that Clause 7 of the Bill be omitted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General moved that the clause marked "7" in the report of the Standing Law Committee be substituted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General moved that Clause 8 of the Bill be omitted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General moved that the clause marked "8" in the report of the Standing Law Committee be substituted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General moved that Clause 9 of the Bill be omitted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General moved that the clause marked "9" in the report of the Standing Law Committee be substituted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General moved that Clause 10 of the Bill be omitted.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with amendments 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.

MERCANTILE BANK NOTE ISSUE BILL.—Mr. POLLOCK moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to extend for a further period the powers granted by the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, to the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes in the Colony.

Mr. HO FOOK seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

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

Mr. HO FOOK seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE INCORPORATION BILL.—Mr. POLLOCK moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance for the incorporation of the Christian Brothers School known in French as "L'Institut des Frères des Écoles Chrétiennes" and known in Hongkong as "St. Joseph's College."

Mr. BIRD seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

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

Mr. BIRD seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

INDEMNITY BILL.—With the consent of the Council, 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 was postponed to the next meeting of the Council.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until 2.30 p.m. on Monday, the 14th day of November, 1921.

R. E. STUBBS,
Governor.

Confirmed this 14th day of November, 1921.

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