RENTS SECOND AMENDMENT BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend further the Rents Ordinance, 1921.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

STOCKS BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to regulate the imposition of the penalty of stocks.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

TREATY OF PEACE (HUNGARY) ORDER, 1921, BILL.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to modify certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Order, 1921, for the purpose of adapting the provisions of the Order to the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On the motion of the Attorney General it was agreed to insert in the eighth line of Clause 3 immediately after the figures 1921 the words "or by any order amending the same,". Clause 4 was omitted entirely.

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.

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 Thursday, the 15th day of December, 1921.

R. E. STUBBS, Governor.

Confirmed this 15th day of December, 1921.

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

No. 523.—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:—

Ordinance No. 30 of 1921.—An Ordinance to amend further the Rents Ordinance, 1921.

Ordinance No. 31 of 1921.—An Ordinance to regulate the imposition of the penalty of stocks.

HONGKONG.

No. 30 of 1921.

I assent to this Ordinance.



R. E. Stubbs, Governor.

16th December, 1921.

An Ordinance to amend further the Rents Ordinance, 1921.

[16th December, 1921.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Rents Second Short title Amendment Ordinance, 1921, and shall be read and and construed as one with the Rents Ordinance, 1921, here-construction. inafter called the principal Ordinance, and with the Ordinance Rents Amendment Ordinance, 1921, and the said Ordinance Nos. 13 and nances and this Ordinance may be cited together as the 25 of 1921. Rents Ordinances, 1921.

2.—(1.) Section 2 of the principal Ordinance is Amendment amended as follows:

of Ordinance

(a) the words "falling within any one of the classes 1921, s. 2. of boarding houses specified in Rule 1 of the rules made by the Governor in Council under the Asiatic Emigration Ordinance, 1915, and the Boarding House Ordinance, 1917, and published in the Gazette of the 19th day of October, 1917" in the sixth to the thirteenth lines of paragraph (b) are repealed, and the following words are substituted therefor

whether such hotel or boarding house be held by the keeper thereof under one lease or under more than one lease, and whether such hotel or boarding house be contained in one building or in more than one building;

- (b) paragraph (iii) of the proviso to the said paragraph (b) is repealed.
- (c) paragraph (iv) of the said proviso is repealed and the following paragraph is substituted therefor:
 - (iv.) Any particular portion of any hotel or boarding house which is let by the keeper of such hotel or boarding house to a guest of such hotel or boarding house.
- (2.) The amendments made by this section shall take effect as if they had been contained in the principal Ordinance, provided that they shall not affect any case in which the lessee shall have given up possession of the hotel or boarding house before the 26th day of November, 1921.
- 3. Section 1 of the Rents Amendment Ordinance, Amendment 1921, is amended by the repeal of the words "and the of Ordinance said Ordinance and this Ordinance may be cited No. 25 of together as the Rents Ordinances, 1921".

Passed the Législative Council of Hongkong, this 15th day of December, 1921.

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

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 16th day of December, 1921.

> CLAUD SEVERN, Colonial Secretary.

HONGKONG.

No. 31 of 1921.

I assent to this Ordinance.



R. E. Stubbs. Governor.

16th December, 1921.

An Ordinance to regulate the imposition of the penalty of stocks.

[16th December, 1921.]

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

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Stocks Ordinance, 1921.

Interpretation.

2. In this Ordinance, "the Court" means the Supreme Court.

Penalty of stocks may be imposed for certain offences.

Ordinances Nos. 2 of 1865, and 4 of 1897.

3. Every male person who is convicted summarily or on indictment of an offence under section 44 or 45 of the Offences against the Person Ordinance, 1865, or under section 3, 4, 8, 9, 11 or 17 of the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897, may be sentenced by the magistrate or the Court to be publicly exposed in the stocks for any period not exceeding six hours in addition to any other punishment to which such person is liable: provided always that in the case of a summary conviction no such sentence shall be carried into effect until after the expiration of seven clear days from the date of such conviction.

Court to enable sen-tences under this Ordinance to be carried into effect.

- Order by 4.—(1.) For the purpose of carrying any such magistrate or sentence into effect it shall be lawful for the magistrate or for the Court, as the case may be, to issue an order in the form in the Schedule to this Ordinance requiring the Superintendent of Prisons to deliver to the Captain Superintendent of Police any person who has been sentenced under this Ordinance.
 - (2.) Any such order shall further require the Captain Superintendent of Police to return such person to the Superintendent of Prisons, and the Superintendent of Prisons to receive such person from the Captain Superintendent of Police, after such sentence has been carried into effect, for the purpose of serving or continuing to serve any other or further sentence which hall have been imposed upon him.
 - (3.) Any such order addressed to the Captain Superintendent of Police may be executed by any police officer, and any such order addressed to the Superintendent of Prisons may be executed by any officer of the Prison Department.

Reneal of Ordinance No. 3 of 1890, s. 87.

5. Section 87 of the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890, is repealed.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 15th day of December, 1921.

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

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 16th day of December, 1921.

> CLAUD SEVERN, Colonial Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

FORM OF ORDER.

[s. 4.]

Stocks Ordinance, 1921.

Hongkong.

To the Superintendent of Prisons and the Captain Superintendent of Police.

Dated the.......day of......, 19......

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No. 524.—His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances:—

Ordinance No. 10 of 1921.—An Ordinance to amend the law relating to criminal procedure in the Supreme Court.

Ordinance No. 13 of 1921.—An Ordinance to amend the law relating to the recovery of possession in certain cases and to restrict the rents of certain domestic tenements and to amend the Rating Ordinance, 1901.

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

*Council Chamber, 15th December, 1921.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 525.—The King's Exequatur empowering Mr. José Pedro Braga to act as Consul for Guatemala at Hongkong has received His Majesty's signature.

14th December, 1921.