

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 44.

Regulation made by the Governor in Council under section 27 of the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1900, Ordinance No. 2 of 1900, on the 21st day of January 1930.

The regulation made by the Governor in Council under the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1900, and set forth on page 264 of the Regulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925, under the heading "Ammunition", is hereby rescinded.

D. W. TRATMAN,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
21st January, 1930.

NOTE.—The rescinded regulation is now, in effect, embodied in Ordinance No. 2 of 1900 by virtue of Ordinance No. 32 of 1929.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 45.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. I.

Thursday, 2nd January, 1930, at 2.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
(Sir CECIL CLEMENTI, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General JAMES WALTER SANDILANDS, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (Mr. WILFRID THOMAS SOUTHORN, C.M.G.).

„ the Attorney General, (Sir JOSEPH HORSFORD KEMP, Kt., K.C., C.B.E.).

„ the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (Mr. EDWIN RICHARD HALLIFAX, C.M.G., C.B.E.).

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

„ Mr. HAROLD THOMAS CREASY, C.B.E., (Director of Public Works).

„ Mr. EDWARD DUDLEY CORSCADEN WOLFE, C.M.G., (Inspector General of Police).

„ Commander GEORGE FRANCIS HOLE, R.N. (Retired), (Harbour Master).

„ Dr. ARTHUR ROBARTES WELLINGTON, (Director of Medical and Sanitary Services).

The Honourable Sir HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, Kt., K.C.

- „ Sir SHOUSON CHOW, Kt.
- „ Mr. ROBERT HORMUS KOTEWALL, C.M.G., LL.D.
- „ Mr. ARTHUR CECIL HYNES.
- „ Mr. JOHN OWEN HUGHES.
- „ Mr. WILLIAM EDWARD LEONARD SHENTON.
- „ Mr. JOSÉ PEDRO BRAGA.
- „ Mr. Ts'ò SEEN-WAN, O.B.E., LL.D.
- „ Mr. EDWARD IRVINE WYNNE-JONES, (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment. His Excellency the Governor occupied the Chair.

MINUTES.

2. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 19th December, 1929, were confirmed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

3. *Standing Law Committee.*—His Excellency the Governor appointed the following to be Members of the Standing Law Committee:—The Hon. Attorney General (Chairman), the Hon. Colonial Treasurer, the Hon. Sir HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, Kt., K.C., the Hon. Mr. ROBERT HORMUS KOTEWALL, C.M.G., LL.D., and the Hon. Mr. WILLIAM EDWARD LEONARD SHENTON.

His Excellency also wished all members and through them the whole Colony a happy, peaceful and prosperous New Year.

PAPERS.

4. The following papers were laid on the table:—

The Director of Air Services to be the duly competent authority to grant, renew and validate licences referred to in Schedule V to the Air Navigation (Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories) Order, 1927.

Règulation made by the Governor in Council under section 5 of the Ferries Ordinance, 1917, on 13th December, 1929.

Regulation made by the Governor in Council under section 4 of the Stamp Ordinance, 1921, on 19th December, 1929.

Regulation made by the Governor in Council under section 3 of the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912, on 16th December, 1929.

Standing Orders of the Legislative Council of Hong Kong.

QUESTIONS.

5. The Hon. Mr. J. P. BRAGA, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

1. Will the Honourable Director of Public Works lay on the table of this Council, at the earliest convenient date, a full report, supplemented by a plan, on the scheme for improving the approach to the “Star” Ferry Pier at Kowloon Point, showing—

- (i) any proposed change in the position of—
 - (a) the ricksha coolie shelter, and
 - (b) the adjoining public convenience;
- (ii) the provision, if any, of parking spaces for—
 - (a) attended, and
 - (b) unattended motor-cars and motor-cycles;
- (iii) an improved arrangement for parking public motor-buses?

2. What is the estimated cost of the scheme and the period required for its completion?
3. Will the Government include the proposed scheme in the list of urgent Public Works Extraordinary and ask for a supplementary vote from the Finance Committee of this Council to defray its cost and with a view to inviting tenders for carrying it out with as little delay as possible?

The Colonial Secretary replied as follows:—

1. Fresh proposals for the layout of the approach to the Star Ferry Pier at Kowloon Point are under consideration at the present time. A meeting on the site between representatives of the Police department and the Kowloon Residents Association took place on the 9th December, 1929, after which the Kowloon Residents Association representatives stated that they would send in a fresh plan showing the proposed improvements which would be a modification of a plan submitted previously. This plan has not yet been received. It is proposed to issue a Sessional Paper on this matter as early as possible.
2. This information cannot be given until the scheme is settled.
3. This question will not arise until the scheme has been approved.

REPORTS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

6. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Reports of the Finance Committee (Nos. 18 and 19), dated 19th December, 1929, and 30th December, 1929, respectively, and moved their adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

MOTIONS.

7. *Opium Amendment Bill.*—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend further the Opium Ordinance, 1923.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

8. *Printers and Publishers Amendment Bill.*—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend the Printers and Publishers Ordinance, 1927.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

In clause 1 the figures 1930 were substituted for 1929.

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

9. *Church of England Trust Bill.*—The Hon. Sir HENRY E. POLLOCK, Kt., K.C. moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled “An Ordinance to incorporate a Body of Trustees capable of holding property for the purposes of the

Church of England, and to provide for the performance of divine worship according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England, and, for certain objects ancillary to the aforesaid objects.”

The Hon. Mr. J. OWEN HUGHES seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

The figures 1930 were substituted for 1929 in clause 1 in, the First Schedule, in the first regulation of the Second Schedule.

The words “from time to time” were substituted for the words “in the first instance”.

The figures 1930 were substituted for 1929 in the second line of regulation 8 and the last but one line of regulation 8, in regulation 15 of the Second Schedule, In subsection (4) of regulation 17 and on page 19, Table of Correspondence.

On Council resuming, the Hon. Sir HENRY E. POLLOCK, Kt., K.C. reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with minor amendments and moved that it be read a third time.

The Hon. Mr. J. OWEN HUGHES seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.

10. The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 23rd day of January, 1930.

C. CLEMENTI,
Governor.

Confirmed this 23rd day of January, 1930.

N. L. SMITH,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

No. 46.—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the KING, to the following Ordinance passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 3 of 1930.—An Ordinance to amend further the Opium Ordinance, 1923.