

No. 477.—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. 5 of 1930.—An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Three hundred and four thousand five hundred and thirty-eight Dollars and eighty-three Cents to defray the Charges of the year 1929.

Ordinance No. 6 of 1930.—An Ordinance to amend the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910.

HONG KONG.

No. 5 OF 1930.

I assent.

(L.S.)

W. PEEL,  
*Governor.*

1st August, 1930.

An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Three hundred and four thousand five hundred and thirty-eight Dollars and eighty-three Cents to defray the Charges of the year 1929.

[1st August, 1930.]

WHEREAS it has become necessary to make further provision for the public service of the Colony for the year 1929, in addition to the charge upon the revenue of the Colony for the service of the said year already provided for:

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

A sum of three hundred and four thousand five hundred and thirty-eight Dollars and eighty-three Cents is hereby charged upon the revenue of the Colony for the service of the year 1929, the said sum so charged being expended as hereinafter specified; that is to say:—

Audit Department - - - -	-\$	412.29
Attorney General - - - -	-	11,976.99
Crown Solicitor - - - -	-	9,652.30
Land Registry - - - -	-	1,142.20
Public Works Department - -	-	223,383.18
Miscellaneous Services - - -	-	57,971.87
TOTAL - - - -	-\$	304,538.83

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this 31st day of July, 1930.

N. L. SMITH,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

HONG KONG.

No. 6 OF 1930.

I assent.



W. PEEL,  
Governor.

1st August, 1930.

An Ordinance to amend the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910.

[1st August, 1930.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the New Territories Regulation Amendment Ordinance, 1930.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 34 of 1910, s. 4. 2. Section 4 of the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910, is amended by the repeal of the second paragraph thereof.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 34 of 1910, s. 20. 3. Section 20 of the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910, is amended by the repeal of the proviso contained in lines 12 to 19 thereof (both inclusive) and by the insertion of the following proviso immediately after the word "judgment" in line 7 thereof:—

Provided as follows:—

- (a) the Land Officer shall not have power to decide any question or dispute to which the Crown is a party unless the Governor consents in writing to his so doing;
- (b) the Land Officer shall not have power to decide any claim to arrears of rent if the monthly value of the rent exceeds five hundred dollars, or if the total claim exceeds one thousand five hundred dollars;
- (c) the Land Officer shall not have power to decide any claim to arrears of rent where the title of the plaintiff is in his opinion disputed *bona fide*, unless either (i) the defendant consents in writing to his so doing or (ii) he would have had jurisdiction under paragraph (d) of this proviso if the claim, instead of being a claim to arrears of rent, had been a claim in respect of the land out of which the rent in question issues or is alleged to issue;
- (d) the Land Officer shall not have power to decide any question or dispute (other than a claim to arrears of rent) in respect of any land having a capital value exceeding five thousand

dollars, or an annual value exceeding five hundred dollars, unless with the written consent of the parties to such question or dispute.

4. Section 24 of the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910, is repealed and the following section is substituted therefor:—

24. Except by way of appeal from the Land Officer, no proceeding relating to land in the New Territories shall be commenced in the Supreme Court unless the Crown is a party or the jurisdiction of the Land Officer in respect of such proceeding is excluded by or under the provisions of section 20, provided that nothing in this section shall affect the operation of section 40 of the Distress for Rent Ordinance, 1883, as enacted by section 4 of the Distress for Rent Amendment Ordinance, 1928.

Repeal of Ordinance No. 34 of 1910, s. 24, and substitution of new section.

Exclusion of certain proceedings from jurisdiction of Supreme Court.

Ordinance No. 1 of 1883, Ordinance 1883, No. 8 of 1928.

5. The provisions of the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910, as amended by this Ordinance, shall apply to all questions and disputes relating to land in the New Territories, including claims to arrears of rent, whether such questions or disputes shall have arisen before the commencement of this Ordinance or shall hereafter arise.

Application of Ordinance No. 34 of 1910, as amended.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this 31st day of July, 1930.

N. L. SMITH,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

No. 478.

*Resolution made and passed by the Legislative Council on the 31st day of July, 1930, under the provisions of section 170 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.*

Whereas application has been made by the Sanitary Board to the Governor under section 167 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, for the erection of a Public Latrine on the east of Ladder Street at its junction with Lower Lascar Row.

And whereas such application having been duly approved by the Governor and a notification of the intention to erect a Public Latrine at such site having been duly published in three successive numbers of the Gazette a certain owner and occupier of the property in the vicinity has objected to such erection;

And whereas such objection has been duly considered;

It is hereby resolved by this Council that the above mentioned site and the erection thereon of a Public Latrine be and the same are hereby approved.

N. L. SMITH,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

COUNCIL CHAMBER.

*31st July, 1930.*