

No. 510.

Hong Kong.

*The Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, Ordinance No. 10
of 1899, Table I, Quarantine Regulations.*

It is hereby declared by order of His Excellency the Governor in Council that Wuchow is a place at which an infectious or contagious disease, namely, cholera, prevails.

D. W. TRATMAN,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
2nd August, 1932.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 511.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 10.

Thursday, 30th June, 1932, at 2.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT
(Hon. Mr. WILFRID THOMAS SOUTHOORN, 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. EDWIN RICHARD HALLIFAX, C.M.G., C.B.E.).

„ the Attorney General, (Mr. CHALONER GRENVILLE ALABASTER, K.C.,
O.B.E.).

„ the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (Mr. ALAN EUSTACE WOOD).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (Mr. EDWIN TAYLOR).

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

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

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

„ Mr. THOMAS HENRY KING, (Acting Inspector General of Police).

„ Sir HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, Kt., K.C.

„ Mr. WILLIAM EDWARD LEONARD SHENTON.

The Honourable Mr. ROBERT HORMUS KOTEWALL, C.M.G., LL.D.

- „ Mr. JOSÉ PEDRO BRAGA.
 „ Mr. TS'ò SEEN-WAN, O.B.E., LL.D.
 „ Mr. JOHN JOHNSTONE PATERSON.
 „ Mr. CHAU TSUN-NIN.
 „ Mr. WILLIAM HENRY BELL.
 „ Mr. ROLAND ARTHUR CHARLES NORTH, (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government occupied the Chair.

MINUTES.

2. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 23rd June, 1932, were confirmed.

PAPERS.

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

Rescission and substitution under section 3 of the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912, rescinding the Regulation made under the aforesaid Ordinance published as Government Notification No. 689 in the Gazette of the 25th November, 1927.

Regulations made by the Governor in Council under section 88 (8) of the Liquors Ordinance, 1931, Ordinance No. 36 of 1931, dated 22nd June, 1932.

Insertion of an additional note made under regulation 9 of the regulations made by the Governor in Council under the Wireless Telegraph Ordinance, 1926, published as Government Notification No. 375 in the Gazette of 26th July, 1929.

Order made by the Governor in Council under by-laws Nos. 9 (b) and 9 (c) of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, dated 23rd June, 1932.

Administration Reports, 1931:—

Part I.—General Administration:—

Report on the Assessment for the year 1932-1933.

Part III.—Public Health:—

Report of the Head of the Sanitary Department.

QUESTIONS.

4. The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. SHENTON, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

1. Will Government when calling for tenders in connection with the construction of the Shing Mun Dam stipulate, as far as possible, for British Empire materials?
2. Will Government when accepting tenders in connection with the construction of the Shing Mun Dam give preferential consideration to British Empire materials?

The Colonial Secretary replied as follows:—

Subject to the concurrence of the Consulting Engineers, the answer is in the affirmative.

Subject as above to the concurrence of the Consulting Engineers other factors being approximately equal, preference will be given to British materials, but in the interests of the taxpayer no more far-reaching assurance can be given.

MOTIONS.

5. The Colonial Treasurer moved the following resolution :—

That this Council approves the recommendations made by the Director of Public Works and laid before Council and resolves that a sum of \$746,950, distributed as follows :—

Head 35 P. W. D.	\$ 10,500
Head 36 P. W. R.	389,500
Head 37 P. W. E.	346,950

be charged upon the Revenue and other funds of the Colony in addition to the sums already provided in the Estimates for 1932 for the purpose of carrying out these recommendations.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

6. The Colonial Treasurer moved the following resolution :—

Resolved pursuant to section 39 of the Liquors Ordinance, 1931, Ordinance No. 36 of 1931, as amended by the Liquors Amendment Ordinance, 1932, that the Liquor Duties Resolutions of the 26th February, 1931, and the 17th March, 1932 (published respectively by Notifications Nos. 122 and 168 of the Gazettes of the 27th February, 1931 and the 18th March, 1932) be rescinded and that on and after the coming into operation of this Resolution the Liquor Duties to be paid upon intoxicating or spirituous liquors, as the case may be, heretofore or hereafter imported into, distilled, made or prepared in the Colony shall be assessed as in the following Table provided that, in the case of dutiable liquors heretofore or hereafter imported into the Colony the dollars and decimals thereof stated in the Table shall be conventional dollars reckoned as the equivalent of one shilling and eight pence sterling; and that consequently to arrive at the actual amount payable in Hong Kong currency the conventional dollar stated in the Table shall be multiplied by 20 and divided by a figure settled by the Colonial Treasurer from time to time representing the average opening selling rates for previous month of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for demand drafts on London and until so settled the figure shall be 16.10.

TABLE.

Part I.

EUROPEAN TYPE LIQUOR.

	<i>Per gallon.</i>
On all liqueurs, and on all champagnes and other sparkling wines	\$ 10.00
On all brandy, gin, rum, whisky and other spirituous liquors ...	6.00
On all port, sherry and madeira	4.00
On all other still wines	3.00
On beer, porter, cider, perry and stout	0.60
On all intoxicating liquors above the strength of 18 degrees under proof, for every degree above such strength, in addition to the appropriate duty as above	0.70

Part II.

CHINESE TYPE LIQUOR.

On all Chinese type spirits containing not more than 24 per cent of alcohol by weight	\$ 1.20
For every one per cent of additional alcoholic strength by weight	00.5

Part III.

JAPANESE TYPE LIQUOR.

	<i>Per gallon.</i>
On all sake containing not more than 24 per cent of alcohol by weight	\$ 1.20
For every one per cent of additional alcoholic strength by weight	0.05

Part IV.

OTHER LIQUORS.

On all spirituous liquors other than intoxicating liquors, but including spirits of wine or arrack, containing not more than 24 per cent of alcohol by weight.....	\$ 1.20
For every one per cent of additional alcoholic strength by weight.	0.05

Provided that it shall be lawful for the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, in his discretion, to assess the duty on any intoxicating liquor not specifically mentioned in Parts, I, II, and III above at such rate as is provided in such parts for the liquor which the Superintendent shall deem to approximate most nearly to such intoxicating liquor; and Provided also that it shall be lawful for the said Superintendent, in his discretion, to assess the duty on any spirituous liquors imported in a consignment of less than two gallons at one time at \$5.00 per gallon.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

7. *Merchant Shipping Amendment Bill.*—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.”

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.

8. *Crown Solicitors Amendment Bill.*—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend further the Crown Solicitors Ordinance, 1912.”

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.

RETIRING MEMBER.

9. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government addressed the Council expressing regret at the retirement of the Hon. Mr. H. T. CREASY, C.B.E. the Director of Public Works and paying high tribute to his services.

Sir HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, Kt., K.C. also addressed the Council in the same sense, on behalf of the Unofficial Members.

The Hon. Mr. H. T. CREASY, C.B.E. replied.

ADJOURNMENT.

10. The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

W. T. SOUTHORN,

Officer Administering the Government.

Confirmed this 4th day of August, 1932.

H. R. BUTTERS,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

No. 512.

Hong Kong.

ORDINANCE No. 1 of 1903. — (PUBLIC HEALTH AND BUILDINGS).

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, the Sanitary Board makes the following amendment of the by-laws under the heading "Prevention and mitigation of epidemic, endemic, contagious or infectious disease" set forth in Schedule B to the above-mentioned Ordinance as amended by Notification No. 714 in the Gazette of the 31st December, 1926 :—

Add to by-law No. 9 the following :—

- (d) No person shall without the written permission of the Head of the Sanitary Department and the Medical Officer of Health sell or offer for sale any non-aerated drinks in the preparation of which fruit juice or herbs (other than tea) are used.
- (e) No person shall without the written permission of the Head of the Sanitary Department and the Medical Officer of Health sell or offer for sale the jellies known as Leung Fan (涼粉) and Man Tau Lo (饅頭蘿).

Made by the Sanitary Board this 5th day of July, 1932.

J. H. GELLING,

Secretary.

Approved by the Legislative Council this 4th day of August, 1932.

H. R. BUTTERS,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.