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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**


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No. 445.

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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 7.**


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Thursday, 15th June, 1933, at 2.30 p.m.

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**PRESENT :**

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**

(Sir WILLIAM PEEL, K.C.M.G., K.B.E.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General OSWALD CUTHBERT BORRETT, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (Mr. DAVID WILLIAM TRATMAN, C.M.G.).

„ 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. MICHAEL JAMES BREEN).

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

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

„ Commander JOSEPH BERNARD NEWILL, D.S.O., R.N. (Retired), (Harbour Master).

„ Mr. ARTHUR GEORGE WARNHAM TICKLE, (Director of Public Works).

„ Sir HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, Kt., K.C.

„ Mr. CHARLES GORDON STEWART MACKIE.

„ 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. PAUL LAUDER.

„ Mr. ALEXANDER WILLIAM GEORGE HERDER GRANTHAM, (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

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

## MINUTES.

2. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 25th May, 1933, were confirmed.

## OATHS.

3. The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, (Mr. DAVID WILLIAM TRATMAN, C.M.G.), and the Hon. the Colonial Treasurer (Mr. MICHAEL JAMES BREEN), took the Oath of Allegiance and their seats as Members of the Council.

## PAPERS.

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

Order made by the Governor in Council under section 4 (1) of the Tobacco Ordinance, 1931, Ordinance No. 39 of 1931, dated 23rd May, 1933.

Administration Reports, 1932:—

Part II.—Law and Order:—

Report of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Police Magistrates' Courts.

Report on the New Territories.

Report of the Inspector General of Police.

Part III.—Public Health:—

Report of the Head of the Sanitary Department.

Report of the Botanical and Forestry Department.

Part IV.—Education:—

Report of the Director of Education.

## QUESTION.

5. The Hon. Mr. JOSÉ PEDRO BRAGA, pursuant to notice, asked the following question:—

Will the Government appoint a small Committee to consider and submit recommendations on ways and means for marketing New Territories produce in Hong Kong and at Kowloon, including such questions as (a) transport facilities, (b) receiving depots, (c) distribution, (d) vendors' licences, (e) marketing, and (f) any kindred matters?

The Colonial Secretary replied as follows:—

A similar proposal was considered by Government in 1931, when the question of facilities for the transport and marketing of New Territory products was very thoroughly examined, and the conclusion was that existing facilities in this direction appeared, generally speaking, to be adequate.

Government is however prepared to accept the Honourable Member's suggestion, and appoint a Committee further to investigate the question.

## MOTIONS.

6. The Colonial Secretary moved:—

(a) That this Council approves the construction of a Civil Hangar and Slipway at the Kai Tak Aerodrome and the raising and regrading of the western area of the Air Port at an estimated cost of \$800,000.

- (b) That this Council authorises the said sum of \$800,000 to be charged to a future loan and sanctions an advance of a sum of \$520,000 to be spent during the financial year 1933 from the surplus balances of the Colony.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

7. The Colonial Treasurer moved :—

That the Council authorizes the expenditure of a further sum of \$10,597.93 in respect of the year 1932 on works connected with the Shing Mun Valley Water Supply Scheme (Second Section; Gorge Dam) to be met from a future loan, and meanwhile to be charged as an advance from the surplus balances of the Colony.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

8. The Colonial Treasurer moved :—

That the Council approves the further expenditure during 1932 of \$27,041.62 on the Shing Mun Valley Scheme (Second Section: Preliminary Works) which sum shall be met from a future loan, and shall meanwhile be charged as an advance from the surplus balances of the Colony.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

9. The Attorney General moved :—

That the amendment of the Order dated 10th day of July, 1931, made by the Chief Justice under section 32 of the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873, be revised and approved.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

10. *Supreme Court Amendment Bill.*—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend further the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

11. *Code of Civil Procedure Amendment (No. 2) Bill.*—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance for the further amendment of the Code of Civil Procedure.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

12. *Probates Amendment Bill.*—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend further the Probates Ordinance, 1897.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

13. *Public Works Loan Redemption Bill*.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to make provision for the redemption of the bonds issued under the authority of the Public Works Loan Ordinance, 1927.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

14. (*1932 Supplementary*) *Appropriation Bill*.—The Colonial Treasurer moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled “An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Five hundred and seventeen thousand and fifteen Dollars and thirty Cents to defray the Charges of the year 1932.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Colonial Treasurer 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.

ADJOURNMENT.

15. The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 22nd day of June, 1933, at 2.30 p.m.

W. PEEL,  
*Governor.*

Confirmed this 22nd day of June, 1933

A. W. G. H. GRANTHAM,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

**No. 446.**—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. 12 of 1933.—An Ordinance to amend further the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873.

Ordinance No. 13 of 1933.—An Ordinance for the further amendment of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Ordinance No. 14 of 1933.—An Ordinance to amend further the Probates Ordinance, 1897.

Ordinance No. 15 of 1933.—An Ordinance to make provision for the redemption of the bonds issued under the authority of the Public Works Loan Ordinance, 1927.