

No. 492.—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 1934.—An Ordinance to amend the Pensions Ordinance, 1932.

Ordinance No. 13 of 1934.—An Ordinance to amend the Marriage Ordinance, 1875.

Ordinance No. 14 of 1934.—An Ordinance to amend the law relating to the protection of Women and Girls.

Ordinance No. 15 of 1934.—An Ordinance to provide for levying in Hong Kong colonial light dues in respect of certain light-houses and of a buoy on or near the coasts of the Bahamas and the Leeward Islands.

HONG KONG.

No. 12 OF 1934.

I assent.

(L.S.)

W. PEEL,
Governor.

29th June, 1934.

An Ordinance to amend the Pensions Ordinance, 1932.

[29th June, 1934.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Pensions Amendment Ordinance, 1934. Short title.

2. Section 2 (b) (i) of the Pensions Ordinance, 1932, is amended by adding the following proviso at the end thereof:— Amendment of Ordinance No. 21 of 1932, s. 2 (b) (i).

Provided also that no declaration that any office is a pensionable office shall be deemed to imply that any holder thereof, who is not on the permanent establishment of the Colony at the date of his retirement, shall be pensionable.

3. Section 2 (d) of the Pensions Ordinance, 1932, is amended by the deletion of the words “or under the Board of Education for England and Wales, or the Crown Agents for the Colonies, or the Colonial Audit Department (Home Establishment), or the Kenya and Uganda Railways and Amendment of Ordinance No. 21 of 1932, s. 2 (d).

Harbour Administration” and by the substitution therefor of the words “or under the Crown Agents for the Colonies, or the Colonial Audit Department (Home Establishment), or the Kenya and Uganda Railways and Harbours Administration, or service which is pensionable under the Teachers (Superannuation) Act, 1925”.

Substitution
for Ordin-
ance No. 21
of 1932,
s. 3.

4. Section 3 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1932, is repealed and the following section is substituted :—

Regulations.

3.—(1) It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, to make regulations for the granting of pensions, gratuities and other allowances to persons who have been in the public service of the Colony, and to the dependants of such persons where such service is terminated by death.

(2) Every such regulation shall be laid before the Legislative Council and shall be published in the Gazette.

Amendment
of Ordin-
ance No. 21
of 1932,
s. 17.

5. Section 17 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1932, is amended by the substitution of the figure “10 (1) (b)” for the figures “10 (d)”.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this 28th day of June, 1934.

R. A. C. NORTH,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

HONG KONG.

No. 13 of 1934.

I assent.

L.S.

W. PEEL,
Governor

29th June, 1934.

An Ordinance to amend the Marriage Ordinance, 1875.

[29th June, 1934.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Marriage Amendment Ordinance, 1934. Short title.

2. The Marriage Ordinance, 1875, is amended by the insertion of the following section, numbered 12 A, immediately after section 12 thereof:— Addition of new s. 12A to Ordinance No. 7 of 1875.

12A. No licence of the Governor and no certificate of the Registrar of Marriages shall be issued under this Ordinance if either party to the intended marriage is under the age of sixteen years.

3. Section 13 of the Marriage Ordinance, 1875, is amended by the insertion of the words "of or over sixteen and" after the word "is" in the second line thereof. Amendment of s. 13 of Ordinance No. 7 of 1875.

4. Sub-section (2) of section 26 of the Marriage Ordinance, 1875, as amended by the Marriage Amendment Ordinance, 1926, is repealed and the following sub-section is substituted therefor:— Substitution for s. 26, ss. 2, of Ordinance No. 7 of 1875.

(2) A marriage shall be null and void if both parties knowingly and wilfully acquiesce in its celebration in any place other than the office of the Registrar of Marriages or a licensed place of worship (except when authorised by a special licence), or under a false name or without a certificate of notice or licence duly issued, or by a person not being a competent minister or the Registrar of Marriages or his deputy, or if either party to the marriage is at the time of its celebration under the age of sixteen years.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this 28th day of June, 1934.

R. A. C. NORTH,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

HONG KONG.

No. 14 of 1934.

I assent.

L.S.

W. PEEL,
Governor.

29th June, 1934.

An Ordinance to amend the law relating to the protection of
Women and Girls.

[29th June, 1934.]

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 Protection of
Women and Girls Amendment Ordinance, 1934.
- Repeal of
s. 5 of
Ordinance
No. 4 of
1897 and
substitution
of new
section
therefor. **2.** Section 5 of the Women and Girls Protection Ordinance,
1897, is repealed and the following section substituted
therefor:—
5. Every person who carnally knows or attempts to have
carnal knowledge of any unmarried girl, being of or above
the age of thirteen years and under the age of sixteen years,
shall be guilty of a misdemeanour: Provided that, where both
parties are Asiatics, a girl shall not be deemed to be unmarried
within the meaning of this Ordinance if she is duly married
according to the laws and customs of the native country of
the girl: Provided also, that no prosecution shall be com-
menced for an offence under this section more than twelve
months after the commission of the offence.
- Amendment
of s. 6 of
Ordinance
No. 4 of
1897. **3.** Section 6 of the said Ordinance is amended by the
substitution of the word “thirteen” for the word “twelve”
in each sub-section thereof.
- Amendment
of s. 7 of
Ordinance
No. 4 of
1897. **4.** Section 7 of the said Ordinance is amended by the
substitution of the word “sixteen” for the word “thirteen”
in sub-section (2) thereof.
- Amendment
of s. 11 of
Ordinance
No. 4 of
1897. **5.** Section 11 of the said Ordinance is amended by the
substitution of the word “thirteen” for the word “twelve”
in each sub-section thereof, and by the repeal of the proviso
contained in the last five lines thereof.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this
28th day of June, 1934.R. A. C. NORTH,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

HONG KONG.

No. 15 of 1934.

I assent.

L. S.

W. PEEL,
Governor.

29th June, 1934.

An Ordinance to provide for levying in Hong Kong colonial light dues in respect of certain lighthouses and of a buoy on or near the coasts of the Bahamas and the Leeward Islands.

[29th June, 1934.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Colonial (Bahamas and Leeward Islands) Light Dues Ordinance, 1934. Short title.

2. In exercise of its powers under section 670 (2) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, the legislature of Hong Kong hereby signifies its opinion that the dues fixed by the Order of His Majesty in Council of the 17th day of December, 1931, (a copy of which is set out in the Appendix to this Ordinance) or such other dues as may from time to time be substituted therefor by His Majesty in Council, ought to be levied and paid in the Colony of Hong Kong, and such dues as aforesaid shall be levied and collected in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance in all cases in which the dues payable have not previously been paid in the United Kingdom or in some other British possession in respect of the occasion for which such dues are claimed. Signification of opinion of legislature under 57 & 58 Vict. c. 60. s. 670 (2). Appendix.

3. The dues payable under this Ordinance shall be collected and dealt with by the Harbour Master in accordance with such instructions as he may from time to time receive from the Board of Trade. Procedure.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this 28th day of June, 1934.

R. A. C. NORTH,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

Appendix.

[s. 2.]

AT THE COURT AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE,

THE 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1931.

PRESENT,

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by Section 670 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, it is provided that where any lighthouse, buoy or beacon has been erected or placed on or near the coasts of any British possession by or with the consent of the legislature of that possession His Majesty may by Order in Council fix such dues (in that Act referred to as colonial light dues) to be paid in respect of that lighthouse, buoy or beacon by the owner or master of every ship which passes the same and derives benefit therefrom as His Majesty may deem reasonable and may by like Order increase, diminish or repeal such dues, and those dues shall from the time mentioned in the Order be leviable throughout His Majesty's dominions and further that colonial light dues shall not be levied in any British possession unless the legislature of that possession has by address to the Crown or by Act or Ordinance duly passed signified its opinion that the dues ought to be levied:

AND WHEREAS the lighthouses and buoy specified in the Schedule hereto have been erected or placed on or near the coasts of the Bahamas and the Leeward Islands by or with the consent of the legislature of those Possessions:

NOW, THEREFORE, His Majesty, in pursuance of the powers in that behalf vested in Him by the said Section and by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to fix and doth hereby fix the dues to be paid in respect of the lighthouses and buoy specified in the first part of the said Schedule by the owner or master of every ship at one penny per ton of her register tonnage for every occasion after the first day of April, 1932, on which such ship passes and derives benefit from any of the said lighthouses or the said buoy.

AND HIS MAJESTY is further pleased to fix and doth hereby fix the dues to be paid in respect of the lighthouse specified in the second part of the said Schedule by the owner or master of every ship at a half-penny per ton of her register tonnage for every occasion after the first day of April, 1932, on which such ship passes and derives benefit from the said lighthouse.

M. P. A. HANKEY.

SCHEDULE.

PART I.

	Latitude.	Longitude.
Lighthouses.		
Gun Cay	25° 34' N.	79° 19' W.
Abaco	25° 51' N.	77° 11' W.
Cay Sal	23° 57' N.	80° 28' W.
Great Isaac	26° 02' N.	79° 06' W.
Cay Lobos	22° 23' N.	77° 36' W.
Elbow Cay	26° 32' N.	76° 57' W.
Great Stirrup Cay	25° 50' N.	77° 54' W.
Castle Island	22° 07' N.	74° 20' W.
Inagua	20° 56' N.	73° 40' W.
Bird Rock	22° 51' N.	74° 22' W.
Watling Island	24° 06' N.	74° 26' W.
Buoy.		
Matanilla Shoal	27° 23' N.	79° 06' W.

PART II.

	Latitude.	Longitude.
Lighthouse.		
Sombrero Island	18° 36' N.	63° 28' W.