

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 986.

It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor in Council has given directions for the rescission of the Order of the 20th June, 1938, published in the Gazette of the 21st June, 1938 as Government Notification No. 482, declaring Shanghai to be a place at which an infectious or contagious disease, namely, cholera, prevailed, and the same is hereby rescinded.

T. MEGARRY,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
19th December, 1938.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 987.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 12.

Thursday, 24th November, 1938, at 2.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir GEOFFRY ALEXANDER STAFFORD NORTHCOTE, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General ARTHUR WOLLASTON BARTHOLOMEW, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (Mr. NORMAN LOCKHART SMITH, C.M.G.).

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

„ the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (Mr. WILLIAM JAMES CARRIE, *Acting*).

„ the Financial Secretary, (Mr. SYDNEY CAINE).

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

„ Mr. RICHARD McNEIL HENDERSON, (Director of Public Works).

„ Mr. THOMAS HENRY KING, (Commissioner of Police).

„ Sir HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, Kt., K.C., LL.D.

„ Mr. CHAU TSUN-NIN, C.B.E.

„ Mr. LO MAN-KAM.

„ Mr. STANLEY HUDSON DODWELL.

„ Mr. LEO D'ALMADA E CASTRO, Junior.

„ Dr. LI SHU-FAN.

„ Mr. ANDREW LUSK SHIELDS.

Mr. BRIAN CHARLES KEITH HAWKINS, (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

ABSENT:

The Honourable Dr. PERCY SELWYN SELWYN-CLARKE, M.C., (Director of Medical Services).

„ Mr. JOHN JOHNSTONE PATERSON.

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

MINUTES.

2. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th November, 1938, were confirmed.

OATH.

3. The Honourable Mr. WILLIAM JAMES CARRIE, (Acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs), took the Oath of Allegiance and assumed his seat as a Member of the Council.

PAPERS.

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

Resolution made and passed by the Legislative Council on 10th November, 1938, under the Tramway Ordinance, 1902, Ordinance No. 10 of 1902.

Amendment made by the General Officer Commanding the Troops, under section 10 of the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, Ordinance No. 10 of 1933, with the approval of the Governor after consultation with the Commandant of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, on 5th November, 1938, to the First Schedule to that Ordinance.

Order made by the Governor in Council under section 2 of the Rating (Refunds) Ordinance, 1926, Ordinance No. 3 of 1926, dated 10th November, 1938.

Sessional Papers, 1938:—

No. 15.—Abstract showing the Differences between the Approved Estimates of Expenditure for 1938 and the Approved Estimates of Expenditure for 1939.

Administration Reports, 1937:—

Part II.—Law and Order:—

Report of the Commissioner of Police.

Part III.—Public Health:—

Report of the Director of Medical Services.

MOTIONS.

5. *Appropriation Bill for 1939.*—The Financial Secretary moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Twenty-nine million three hundred and twenty-seven thousand two hundred and ninety-four Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1939.”

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Financial Secretary 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.

6. *Sedition Amendment Bill*.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the First reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Sedition Ordinance, 1938."
The Colonial Secretary seconded.
Question—put and agreed to.
Bill read a first time.
7. *Land Registration Amendment Bill*.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Land Registration Ordinance, 1844, and to confer certain powers on assistant land officers."
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. *Pharmacy and Poisons Amendment Bill*.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance, 1937."
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.
9. *Dollar Currency Notes Amendment Bill*.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Dollar Currency Notes Ordinance, 1935."
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.
10. *Registration of Persons (No. 2) Amendment Bill*.—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Registration of Persons Ordinance, 1934."
The Colonial Secretary seconded.
The Honourable Mr. CHAU TSUN-NIN, C.B.E., addressed the Council.

The Colonial Secretary replied.

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.

11. *Police Force and Peace Preservation Amendment Bill.*—The Attorney General moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend the Police Force Ordinance, 1932, and the Peace Preservation Ordinance, 1886.”

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.

ADJOURNMENT.

12. The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

G. A. S. NORTHCOTE,
Governor.

Confirmed this 22nd day of December, 1938.

B. C. K. HAWKINS,
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

No. 988.—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. 28 of 1938.—An Ordinance to amend the Sedition Ordinance, 1938.

Ordinance No. 29 of 1938.—An Ordinance to amend further the law relating to Empire Preference.