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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. GERSHOM STEWART.

„ Mr. CHARLES WEDDERBURN DICKSON.

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

ABSENT :

The Honourable Mr. ROBERT GORDON SHEWAN.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 7th December, 1905, were read and confirmed.

NEW MEMBER.—Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C., was duly sworn and took his seat as an Unofficial Member of the Council.

RESOLUTION.—His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council, and moved the following Resolution :—

*“That the Legislative Council of Hongkong desire to humbly express the sorrow with which the intelligence of the death of the Queen’s father has been received and their deep sympathy with their Majesties the King and Queen in their bereavement.”*

The Hon. Dr. HO KAI addressed the Council, and seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

M. NATHAN,  
Governor.

Read and confirmed this 22nd day of February, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
Clerk of Councils.

MOTION.—REGISTRATION OF PARTNERSHIPS.—MR. POLLOCK addressed the Council, and moved :—

*That it is desirable that legislation for the registration of partners, with limited liability, should be introduced into this Colony.*

Dr. HO KAI addressed the Council, and seconded the motion.

Mr. HEWETT and the Attorney General addressed the Council.

After some discussion the motion was withdrawn.

QUESTIONS.—MR. POLLOCK, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions :—

1. *Have the experiments in wood-paving proved sufficiently satisfactory to warrant an extension of this method of road-making being taken into consideration?*
2. *With reference to the leading article, which appeared in the "South China Morning Post" of the 19th April, 1906, will the Government state why the notification as to dead rats therein referred to was not promptly attended to by the Sanitary Authorities, and will the Government also state what steps are being taken to prevent the recurrence of such delays in future?*
3. *Will the Government consider the advisability of granting to those Civil Servants who are drawing their pay on a Sterling basis the privilege of drawing half of their pay at the rate of 1s. 8d. to the dollar, or will the Government grant some other relief by way of compensation to such Civil Servants?*

The Colonial Secretary replied.

MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the law relating to the Property of Married Women.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to regulate the qualifications and to provide for the Registration of Dentists.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

SUMMARY OFFENCES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Summary Offences (Amendment) Ordinance, 1905.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

MAGISTRATES (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported with one amendment.

LUNATIC ASYLUMS BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the order relating to the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of Lunatic Asylums and to provide for the custody and care therein of persons of unsound mind, be withdrawn.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill withdrawn.

LUNACY BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court with respect to the care and commitment of the custody of the persons and estates of Lunatics.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 31st May, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed this 31st day of May, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 2.

THURSDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney-General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. GERSHOM STEWART.

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

ABSENT :

„ Mr. ROBERT GORDON SHEWAN.

„ Mr. CHARLES WEDDERBURN DICKSON.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 31st January, 1906, were read and confirmed.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following papers :—

- Report on the Widows and Orphans' Pension Fund, for the year, 1905.
- Report on the Teaching of Hygiene in the Schools of Hongkong.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 1 to 6), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

M. NATHAN.

No. 9662 of  
1905, C.O.D.  
Miscellaneous.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Eight thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to meet expenditure incurred by the Treasurer of the Reception Committee, and for illuminating the public buildings in connection with the visit to this Colony of H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught.

Government House, Hongkong, 5th January, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 127 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Six hundred and eighty-one Dollars and sixty Cents (\$681.60) in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, Telegraph Service—Contribution in connection with Signalling Vessels and Messages to Observatory.

Government House, Hongkong, 9th January, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 940 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Five thousand two hundred and fifty Dollars (\$5,250) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Rifle Range at the Peak.

Government House, Hongkong, 15th January, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 532 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to revote a sum of Sixty-five thousand two hundred and one Dollars and fourteen Cents (\$65,201.14) and to vote a sum of Six thousand and twenty Dollars (\$6,020) in aid of the vote—Public Works Extraordinary, for the following items:—

Bacteriological Institute, .....	\$2,844.94
Government Civil Hospital—Extension of Staff Quarters, .....	3,000.00
Gunpowder Depôt, Green Island, .....	14,389.56
Harbour Office, .....	6,926.53
Post Office, Shanghai, .....	15,000.00
School, Yaumati, .....	1,382.00
Tai Po, Quarters for Officers, .....	5,086.00
Volunteer Headquarters (Contribution), .....	24.56
Miscellaneous Drainage Works, .....	326.85
Kowloon Roads, .....	5,600.00
Green Island Light Improvement, .....	88.02
Kowloon-Canton Railway—Survey and Preliminary work, .....	10,532.68
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	\$65,201.14
Bacteriological Institute, .....	1,920.00
Gunpowder Depôt, Green Island, .....	300.00
Green Island Light Improvement, .....	1,800.00
Compensation to Lessees of Quarries D. 16 & D. 17, Lyemun, .....	2,000.00
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	\$6,020.00

Government House, Hongkong, 29th January, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 167 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three thousand and forty Dollars (\$3,040) in aid of the vote Judicial and Legal Departments for the following items:—

Magistracy, New Territories, Other Charges, Furnishing of the New Tai Po Quarters, .....	\$1,520
Land Registry Office, New Territories, Other Charges, Furnishing of the New Tai Po Quarters, .....	1,520
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Total, .....	\$3,040

Government House, Hongkong, 6th February, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 6673 of  
1906, C.S.O.  
Extension.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Sixty Dollars (\$60) in aid of the vote, Medical Department—Other Charges, B.—Hospitals and Asylums, New Territory, Rent of Temporary Dispensary at Tai Po.

Government House, Hongkong, 9th February, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

RESOLUTION.—The Attorney General moved the following resolution:—

*Whereas by section 5 of "The Summoning of Chinese Ordinance, 1899", (No. 12 of 1899) it was enacted that the said Ordinance should only continue in operation for the period of two years from the coming into operation of the said Ordinance and for such further period or periods as might, from time to time, be determined by Resolution of the Legislative Council, and whereas such operation has been continued by Resolution of this Council until the 30th day of March, 1906, inclusive:*

*it is hereby resolved by this Council that "The Summoning of Chinese Ordinance, 1899", shall be further continued in operation for the further period of two years from the 31st day of March, 1906, inclusive.*

The Colonial Secretary seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

QUESTION.—Mr. STEWART, pursuant to notice, asked the following question:—

*Will the Government take into consideration the advisability of approaching the Proprietors of the "City Hall" with a view to acquiring the "Building" in order that it may be altered to meet the necessity of the growing community?*

The Colonial Secretary replied.

QUESTIONS.—Mr. POLLOCK, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

*Will the Government state what steps are being taken to educate the Chinese tenants of houses in the principles of sanitation and ventilation which are applicable to the houses in which they live?*

*For what purpose was Robinson Road, Kowloon, opened up and on what date? When is it anticipated that the work will be completed and the road restored to its proper state?*

*Will the Government state what steps they have taken, and what further steps they intend to take and when, in connection with the installation of a system of fire-alarms? Will the Government also state what is the estimated cost of such installation?*

*Will the Government state what progress has been made with the works for the extension of water storage at Tytam and at Tytam Tuk and at Kowloon? Will the Government also state when these respective works are likely to be completed?*

*When is it anticipated that—*

- (a) the New Post Office,*
- (b) the New Law Courts,*

*will be completed?*

*Is it the intention of the Government to make a road from the top Tram Station to Plantation Road? If so, when? What is the estimated cost of such road?*

*Will the Government procure and lay before the Council an estimate of the cost of prolonging Kennedy Road in a south-easterly direction from the point of its junction with the Wanchai Gap Road so that it may lead down to the Race Course at the back of the Mahommedan Cemetery?*

*Will the Government procure and lay upon the table an estimate of the cost of continuing Harlech Road round the North side of Victoria Peak—*

- (a) back to Victoria Gap,*
- (b) to Barker Road?*

The Colonial Secretary and the Director of Public Works replied.

SUMMARY OFFENCES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Summary Offences (Amendment) Ordinance, 1905.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

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The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

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The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.



LUNACY BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court with respect to the care and commitment of the custody of the persons and estates of Lunatics.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until after the meeting of the Finance Committee.

JURY LIST FOR 1906.—On Council resuming it proceeded to consider the Jury List for 1906 in private.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council adjourned *sine die*.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed, this 17th day of May, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 3.

THURSDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 1906.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. CHARLES WEDDERBURN DICKSON.

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGER HEWETT.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 22nd February, 1906, were read and confirmed.

NEW MEMBERS.—Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE and Mr. EDBERT ANSGER HEWETT took the Oath and assumed their seat as Members of the Council.

COMMITTEES.—His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with the Standing Order No. 47, appointed the Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK to be a Member of the Law Committee *vice* Mr. ROBERT GORDON SHEWAN, and the Honourables Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE and Mr. EDBERT ANSGER HEWETT to be Members of the Public Works Committee *vice* Sir C. P. CHATER and Mr. GERSHOM STEWART.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following papers:—

1. Jurors List for 1906.
2. Report on the Queen's College, for the year 1905.
3. Financial Returns for the year 1905.
4. City of Victoria and Hill District Water-works. (Water Statistics from 1889-1905.)
5. Report of the Superintendent of Victoria Gaol, for the year 1905.
6. Report of the Registrar of the Supreme Court, for the year 1905.
7. Report of the Director of the Hongkong Observatory, for the year 1905.
8. Report on the Blue Book for 1905.
9. Research into the Etiology of Beri-beri.
10. Report of the Harbour Master, for the year 1905.
11. Report of the Registrar-General, for the year 1905.
12. Reports on the Health and Sanitary Condition of the Colony of Hongkong, for the year 1905.
13. Rules and Regulations made under Section 6 of the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873, in relation to Petroleum in Bulk.
14. Rules and Regulations made under Section 6 of the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873, in relation to Petroleum in Cases.
15. Rules and Regulations made under Section 6 of the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873, in relation to Dangerous Goods in General.
16. Regulation to amend the Regulations made under the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873, in relation to Petroleum in Bulk.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 7 to 27 excepting No. 15 which was withdrawn), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

M. NATHAN.

No. 1316 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three thousand Dollars (\$3,000) in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department, G.—Lighthouses, for the following items:—

<i>Gap Rock Lighthouse, Other Charges.</i>	
Gunpowder Charges and Tubes for Fog Signalling Guns,...	\$1,000
<i>Waglan Island Lighthouse, Other Charges.</i>	
Gunpowder Charges and Tubes for Fog Signalling Guns,...	2,000
Total, .....	<u>\$3,000</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 23rd February, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 9210 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Five hundred Dollars (\$500) in aid of the vote, Education, A.—Department of Inspector of Schools, Other Charges, Visual Instruction Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 23rd February, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5610 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Fifteen thousand two hundred Dollars (\$15,200) in aid of the vote. Public Works Extraordinary, Communications, Metallic Circuits including New Route to North Point.

Government House, Hongkong, 1st March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4836 of  
1905, Extension.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Six hundred Dollars (\$600) in aid of the vote Registrar General's Department—Other Charges, Language Allowance to Mr. C. CLEMENTI, Assistant Registrar General, who has passed the examination in the Pekingese Colloquial.

Government House, Hongkong, 5th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1774 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and twelve Dollars (\$112) in aid of the vote, Post Office, Postal Agencies in China,—Other Charges, Hankow, Incidental Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 10th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1878 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand seven hundred and forty Dollars (\$1,740) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments, for the following:—

Infectious Hospitals.

Hospital Hulk *Hygeia*:—

<i>Personal Emoluments.</i>	
Temporary Staff, for 3 months, .....	\$240
<i>Other Charges.</i>	
Provisions, &c., .....	1,500
Total, .....	<u>\$1,740</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 15th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2186 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Sixteen thousand Dollars (\$16,000) in aid of the vote—Miscellaneous Services, Refunds of Revenue.

Government House, Hongkong, 23rd March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2114 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Seventy Dollars (\$70) in aid of the vote, Post Office, B.—Postal Agencies in China—Other Charges, Shanghai, Allowance for attendance on Sundays.

Government House, Hongkong, 24th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1313 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three thousand Dollars (\$3,000) in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department, G.—Lighthouses, for the following items:—

*Gap Rock Lighthouse, Other Charges.*

Gunpowder Charges and Tubes for Fog Signalling Guns, ...\$1,000

*Waglan Island Lighthouse, Other Charges.*

Gunpowder Charges and Tubes for Fog Signalling Guns, ... 2,000

Total,.....\$3,000

Government House, Hongkong, 27th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1624 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four hundred and eight Dollars (\$408) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, D.—Land Registry Office—Other Charges, for New Territories, Conveyance and hire of Coolies.

Government House, Hongkong, 27th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 716 of  
1903,  
Extension.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four hundred and fifty Dollars and sixty-six Cents (\$450.66) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Resumption of Land for the Sai U Shek Cemetery, near Kowloon City.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2240 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Forty-two thousand Dollars (\$42,000) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, 19, Forming and Kerbing Streets.

Government House, Hongkong, 29th March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 9662 of  
19 5, C.O.D.  
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cellaneous.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a further sum of Four thousand four hundred and fifty-five Dollars and fifty-nine Cents (\$4,455.59) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Connaught Reception.

Government House, Hongkong, 31st March, 1906.

M. NATHAN

No. 7335 of  
1905,  
Extension.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and twenty Dollars (\$120) in aid of the vote, Treasury, A.—Treasurer's Office—Other Charges, New Territory, Conveyance Allowance to Clerk and Shroff.

Government House, Hongkong, 31st March, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3470 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand eight hundred taels (taels 1,800) in aid of the vote, Post Office, B.—Postal Agencies in China, Other Charges, Shanghai, Rent of the British Post Office Extension site from 1st July, 1905, to 31st December, 1906.

Government House, Hongkong, 10th April, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2791 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three hundred and fifty thousand Dollars (\$350,000) in aid of the vote Public Works Extraordinary, Kowloon-Canton Railway.

Government House, Hongkong, 25th April, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2992 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Six hundred and eighty-five Dollars (\$685) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, A.—Supreme Court, Other Charges, Safe for Original Wills.

Government House, Hongkong, 2nd May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 588 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three hundred and seventy-two Dollars and thirty Cents (\$372.30) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments—Other Charges, A.—Staff, Health Officer of Port, Repairs to Launch.

Government House, Hongkong, 5th May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3271 of  
1904, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to revote a sum of One hundred and seventy-two Dollars and eighty Cents (\$172.80 @ 2s. 1d. = £18) in aid of the vote, Military Expenditure, B.—Volunteers—Other Charges, Contribution towards Sergeant Major's Army Pension.

Government House, Hongkong, 5th May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3170 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four hundred and fifty Dollars (\$450) in aid of the vote, Post Office, B.—Postal Agencies in China—Other Charges, Shanghai, Rates and Taxes.

Government House, Hongkong, 5th May, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 22nd February, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

AMENDMENT OF THE SCAVENGING AND CONSERVANCY BYE-LAWS.—The Colonial Secretary moved an amendment to the Scavenging and Conservancy Bye-laws.

The Attorney General seconded, and the motion was carried.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 4.

THURSDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

ABSENT :

The Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 17th May, 1906, were read and confirmed.

• FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 28 to 33), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

M. NATHAN.

No. 343 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three hundred and fifty Dollars (\$350) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Buildings, 12.—Quarters for Signalmen, Green Island.

Government House, Hongkong, 16th May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3058 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand Dollars (\$1,000) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Buildings, Re-arrangement of Outbuildings at the Supreme Court.

Government House, Hongkong, 19th May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 6787 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Seven thousand eight hundred Dollars (\$7,800) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Buildings, —Time Ball Tower on Blackhead's Hill, Kowloon.

Government House, Hongkong, 19th May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2921 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Twenty-eight thousand two hundred and seventy-five Dollars and thirty-six Cents (\$28,275.36) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Miscellaneous, Re-construction of Government Piers.

Government House, Hongkong, 19th May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3489 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two hundred and seventeen Dollars and eighty Cents (\$217.80) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Buildings, 10. School, Yaumati.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th May, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4499 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred Dollars (\$100) in aid of the vote, Education, Department of Inspector of Schools—Other Charges, Remuneration to Assistant Examiners of Grant Schools.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th May, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 17th May, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Two hundred and seventy-eight thousand four hundred and twelve Dollars and eight Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1905.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the law relating to the Property of Married Women.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be referred to the Law Committee.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to regulate the qualifications and to provide for the Registration of Dentists.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be referred to the Law Committee.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

SUMMARY OFFENCES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Summary Offences (Amendment) Ordinance, 1905.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

MAGISTRATES (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

LUNACY BILL.—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court with respect to the care and commitment of the custody of the persons and estates of Lunatics.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 7th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed, this 7th day of June, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 5.

THURSDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1906.

## PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

## ABSENT:

The Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 31st May, 1906, were read and confirmed.

NEW MEMBER.—Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON took the Oath and assumed his seat as a Member of the Council.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 31st May, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

QUESTIONS.—Mr. OSBORNE, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

1. Will the Government take steps to improve the Ricksha service by:—

(a.) Requiring them to be more strongly built and provided with better springs.

(b.) Instituting a monthly inspection.

(c.) Making it a condition of the licence that every Ricksha be provided with a clean white cover to the back and to the seat.

(d.) Introducing first class Rickshas (both for Victoria and Kowloon) similar to those at Saigon.

2. Will the Government make provision in the forthcoming Estimates for:—

(a.) A market at Tsim-tsat-sui.

(b.) A refuse burner.

3. Will the Government take steps to enquire what practical means can be adopted for re-establishing and maintaining the value of British subsidiary coinage on a par with the dollar.

The Colonial Secretary, the Director of Public Works, and the Colonial Treasurer replied.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of Asylums for the Custody and Care of persons of unsound mind, and others.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Two hundred and seventy-eight thousand four hundred and twelve Dollars and eight Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1905.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

- Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 14th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed this 14th day of June, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 6.

THURSDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR  
(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 7th June, 1906, were read and confirmed.

COMMITTEE.—His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with Standing Order No. 47, appointed the Honourable Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON to be a Member of the Public Works Committee *vice* Mr. CHARLES WEDDERBURN DICKSON.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 34 to 38), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

M. NATHAN.

No. 10169 of  
1904, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to re-vote a sum of Two thousand one hundred and sixty-four Dollars (\$2,164) in aid of the vote. Public Works Extraordinary, Buildings :—1. Government Civil Hospital—Extension to Staff Quarters.

Government House, Hongkong, 6th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4309 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand Dollars (\$1,000) in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, A.—Police—Other Charges, for the following items :—

Meals for Prisoners in Cells, .....	\$400
Secret Service, .....	600

Total, .....\$1,000

Government House, Hongkong, 7th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 8023 of  
1904, C.O.D.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three thousand three hundred and seventy-five Dollars and seventy-nine Cents (\$3,375.79) in aid of the vote, Military Expenditure, B.—Volunteers—Other Charges, Rifles and Equipment.

Government House, Hongkong, 7th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4344 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand six hundred Dollars (\$1,600) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments, Other Charges, B.—Hospitals and Asylums, Civil Hospital:—Washing.

Government House, Hongkong, 7th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4059 of  
1906, C.O.D.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four hundred and seventy Dollars (\$470) in aid of the vote, Post Office, A.—Hongkong Post Office Other Charges, for the following items:—

Contingencies, .....	\$ 50
Rent of a floor, .....	420
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Total, .....	\$470
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Government House, Hongkong, 9th June, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 7th June, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE LAW COMMITTEE.—The Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Law Committee, dated the 7th June, 1906, and moved its adoption.

After some discussion the motion was withdrawn.

QUESTIONS.—MR. HEWETT, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

*With reference to the Draft Supplementary Colonial Estimates giving a comparative statement of the Estimated and Actual Expenditure of the Colony for the year 1905 as presented to the Legislative Council at the last meeting, will the Honourable the Colonial Secretary state what saving, if any, has been effected in the personal emoluments of the whole of the Civil Service during that period?*

*Is the saving entirely due to the difference in the rate of exchange between that calculated on in the Estimates and the rate at which payment was made, or if to other causes, what causes?*

*On what rate were the Estimates based, and at what rate or rates were payments made?*

The Colonial Treasurer replied.

NAVAL AND MILITARY WORKS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the construction and maintenance of certain Naval and Military Works upon and over certain portions of the Crown foreshore and sea bed situate upon the Harbour frontage of the City of Victoria, in this Colony.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

ASYLUMS BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of Asylums for the Custody and Care of persons of unsound mind, and others.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported with amendments.

**SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The Colonial Secretary moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Two hundred and seventy-eight thousand four hundred and twelve Dollars and eight Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1905.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

**MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to the Property of Married Women.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

**ADJOURNMENT.**—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 21st June, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed, this 21st day of June, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 7.

THURSDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

” the Attorney General, (SIR HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

” the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

” the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

” the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

” the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

” Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

” Mr. WEI YUK.

” Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

” Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

” Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT :

The Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 14th June, 1906, were read and confirmed.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following papers :—

Report on the Botanical and Forestry Department, for the year 1905.

Report on the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, for the year April 1st, 1905, to March 31st, 1906.

Report of the Inspector of Schools, for the year 1905.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 39 to 41), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

M. NATHAN.

No. 4365 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three thousand Dollars (\$3,000) in aid of the vote, Sanitary Department—Other Charges, Plague, for the following items :—

Compensation for damages by disinfection, .....\$1,000

Plague corpses, cost of burial,..... 2,000

Total,.....\$3,000

Government House, Hongkong, 14th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2325 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and seventy Dollars (\$170) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, B.—Magistracy—Other Charges, Bonus to Mr. T. A. HANMER.

Government House, Hongkong, 18th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3182 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Five thousand seven hundred Dollars (\$5,700) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Buildings :—Post Office, Kowloon.

Government House, Hongkong, 16th June, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 14th June, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the following resolutions :—

- “ 1. Resolved that the Resolution regarding the running of Workmen's Cars by the Hongkong Tramway Electric Company, Limited, passed by the Legislative Council on the 15th September 1904 be rescinded as from to-day.
2. Resolved that until further notice the Hongkong Tramway Electric Company, Limited, shall provide the following number of cars every morning and evening, at such hours not being later than 7 a.m. nor earlier than 5.30 p.m. as the Company shall think most convenient, for artisans, mechanics and daily labourers, at fares not exceeding 2 cents for the single journey and 3 cents for the return journey :—

*Morning.*

*From Kennedy Town to Arsenal Street, .....2 Cars.*

*From North Point to the junction of Wing Lok Street  
and Connaught Road, .....4 Cars.*

*Evening.*

*From Arsenal Street to Kennedy Town, .....2 Cars.*

*From the junction of Wing Lok Street and Connaught  
Road to North Point, .....4 Cars.”*

The Registrar General addressed the Council, and seconded the motion.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

The motion was carried unanimously.

PROSPECTING AND MINING BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to empower the Governor to grant licences to search for and prove minerals and to grant licences and leases of land for the purpose of working mines and minerals.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

NAVAL AND MILITARY WORKS BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the construction and maintenance of certain Naval and Military Works upon and over certain portions of the Crown foreshore and sea bed situate upon the Harbour frontage of the City of Victoria, in this Colony.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without any material amendment.

DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the Bill be referred back to the Law Committee.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ASYLUMS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of Asylums for the Detention, Custody and Care of persons of unsound mind, and others.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 28th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed this 28th day of June, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 8.

THURSDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR  
(SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (SIR HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT :

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 21st June, 1906, were read and confirmed.

PAPER.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following paper :—

• Report on Refuse Destructors by Mr. T. L. PERKINS.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 42 and 43), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

M. NATHAN.

No. 4676 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred Dollars (\$100) in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, Prison—Other Charges, Executioners' Fee, and for Inflicting Corporal Punishment.

Government House, Hongkong, 22nd June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7355 of  
1906,  
Extension.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four hundred and eighteen Dollars and thirty Cents (\$418.30) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, B.—Magistracy—Other Charges, New Territories, Weights:

Government House, Hongkong, 23rd June, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 21st June, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE LAW COMMITTEE.—The Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Law Committee, dated the 22nd June, 1906, addressed the Council; and moved its adoption.

Dr. HO KAI addressed the Council, and seconded the motion.

Mr. HEWETT addressed the Council.

After some discussion the motion was carried.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.—The Director of Public Works, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Public Works Committee, dated the 21st June, 1906.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

PROSPECTING AND MINING BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council, and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to empower the Governor to grant licences to search for and prove minerals and to grant licences and leases of land for the purpose of working mines and minerals.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

\*Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.\*

DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the Order of the Day for the consideration of the Bill in Committee be discharged.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

NAVAL AND MILITARY WORKS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the construction and maintenance of certain Naval and Military Works upon and over certain portions of the Crown foreshore and sea bed situate upon the Harbour frontage of the City of Victoria, in this Colony.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until after the meeting of the Finance Committee, and on the Council resuming, the Colonial Secretary reported that Financial Minutes Nos. 42 and 43 had been considered by the Finance Committee and that the recommendations had been approved.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 28th June, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 6th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed, this 6th day of September, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 9.

THURSDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1906.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING, R.E.).

„ the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (SIR HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt., K.C.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT:

The Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 28th June, 1906, were read and confirmed.

NEW MEMBERS.—Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING and Mr. FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY took the Oath and assumed their seats as Members of the Council.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following papers:—

Report of the Director of Public Works, for the year 1905.

Report on the Assessment for the year 1906-1907.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 44 to 64), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

M. NATHAN.

No. 6004 of  
1904, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and seventy Dollars (\$170) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments, *B.*—Hospitals and Asylums, Infectious Hospitals—Other Charges, Hospital Hulk *Hygeia*:—Shifting, towing and mooring *Hygeia*.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4932 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred Dollars (\$100) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments, *B.*—Hospitals and Asylums, Lunatic Asylums—Other Charges, Incidental Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3192 of  
1902, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Nine hundred Dollars (\$900) in aid of the vote, Education, *B.*—Queen's College—Other Charges, Allowance to Mr. R. E. O. BIRD, Senior Assistant English Master, who has passed the examination in Cantonese, Colloquial and Written.

Government House, Hongkong, 2nd July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1238 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Eight thousand Dollars (\$8,000) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903 :—31.— Compensation.

Government House, Hongkong, 7th July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1739 of  
1906, C.S.O.,  
Confidential

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) in aid of the vote, Treasury, A.—Treasurer's Office, New Territory—Other Charges, Gratuity to Police Sergeant GERRARD for examining accounts:

Government House, Hongkong, 13th July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5235 of  
1906, C.O.D.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two thousand Dollars (\$2,000) in aid of the vote, Education, A.—Department of Inspector of Schools—Other Charges, Evening Continuation Classes.

Government House, Hongkong, 16th July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5333 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Twenty-five thousand Dollars (\$25,000) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Communications :—15. Railway to Canton,—Survey and Preliminary Work.

Government House, Hongkong, 12th July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5612 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three hundred Dollars (\$300) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, A.—Supreme Court,—Other Charges, Fees to Counsel for Prisoners in Capital Cases.

Government House, Hongkong, 21st July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5704 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two thousand Dollars (\$2,000) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Printing and Binding Blue Book, &c., &c.

Government House, Hongkong, 24th July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5592 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two hundred and fifty Dollars (\$250) in aid of the vote, Public Works Recurrent, Communications, 8.—Maintenance of Telegraphs.

Government House, Hongkong, 27th July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1624 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two hundred and fifty Dollars (\$250) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, D.—Land Registry Office—Other Charges for New Territories, Incidental Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 27th July, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4666 of  
1904, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two hundred and eighty Dollars (\$280) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Green Island Light Improvement.

Government House, Hongkong, 2nd August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5985 of 1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Five thousand and twenty-four Dollars (\$5,024) in aid of the vote, Sanitary Department—Other Charges, Scayenging City, Villages and Hill District.

Government House, Hongkong, 3rd August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4658 of 1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand and seventy-three Dollars (\$1,073) in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department—Other Charges, Fittings for New Office.

Government House, Hongkong, 8th August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 6424 of 1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and twenty-five Dollars (\$125) in aid of the vote, Post Office, A.—Hongkong Post Office—Other Charges, Coals, Stores, &c., for Steam Launch.

Government House, Hongkong, 17th August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7290 of 1905, Extension.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) in aid of the vote, Education, Ping Shan (New Territories) Anglo-Chinese School—Other Charges for the following items :—

Furniture, .....	\$ 25
Incidental Expenses, .....	25
Total, .....	<u>\$ 50</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 18th August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5487 of 1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two thousand and sixty-seven Dollars and fifty Cents (\$2,067.50) in aid of the vote, Public Works, Extraordinary,—Filling in Pool on Crown Land, Kowloon.

Government House, Hongkong, 23rd August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2831 of 1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two thousand and nine Dollars and seventy-four Cents (\$2,009.74) in aid of the vote, Public Works, Extraordinary, Repairs to Gap Rock Cable.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4309 of 1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Three thousand five hundred Dollars (\$3,500) in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, A.—Police—Other Charges, for the following items :—

Coal, Oil, &c., for Launches, .....	\$2,000
Repairs of Launches & Boats, .....	1,500
Total, .....	<u>\$3,500</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 28th August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 1330 of  
1901, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Five hundred and forty Dollars (\$540) in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, A.—Police—Other Charges, for the following items:—

Language Allowance to Captain Superintendent,.....	\$450
Teacher Allowance to Captain Superintendent, .....	90
Total, .....	<u>\$540</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 30th August, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3079 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars (\$150) in aid of the vote, Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature—Other Charges, Incidental Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 3rd September, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

LUNACY (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Lunacy Ordinance, 1906.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

MERCHANT SHIPPING (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, and for other purposes.

The Harbour Master seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

NEW TERRITORIES LAND (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the New Territories Land Ordinance, 1905.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

PRAYA RECLAMATION FUND TRANSFER BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to transfer to the General Revenue certain sums forming part of the Praya Reclamation Fund.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

REGULATION OF CHINESE (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Regulation of Chinese Ordinance, 1888.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 13th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed this 13th day of September, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 10.

THURSDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING, R.E.).

„ the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).

„ the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).

„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).

„ the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).

„ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).

„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

„ Mr. WEI YUK.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.

„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT :

The Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 6th September, 1906, were read and confirmed.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 6th September, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following papers :—

Draft Estimates, for the year 1907.

Abstract showing differences between the Estimates of Expenditure for 1906 and 1907.

Financial Statements in connection with Estimates for 1907.

Details of Contents of Reservoirs, etc., arranged according to the rain-year 1905-1906.

APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Colonial Secretary moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Five million two hundred and two thousand one hundred and thirty-five Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1907.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

PREPARED OPIUM (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Prepared Opium Ordinance, 1891.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure.

The Colonial Secretary addressed the Council and seconded the motion.

Mr. HEWETT addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be referred to the Standing Law Committee.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

LUNACY (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Lunacy Ordinance, 1906.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

MERCHANT SHIPPING (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, and for other purposes.

The Harbour Master addressed the Council and seconded the motion.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and progress reported.

NEW TERRITORIES LAND (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the New Territories Land Ordinance, 1905.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

PRAYA RECLAMATION FUND TRANSFER BILL.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to transfer to the General Revenue certain sums forming part of the Praya Reclamation Fund.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

REGULATION OF CHINESE (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Regulation of Chinese Ordinance, 1888.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 20th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed, this 20th day of September, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 11.

THURSDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1906.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

- The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING, R.E.).
- ” the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).
- ” the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt., K.C.).
- ” the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).
- ” the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).
- ” the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.N.).
- ” the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).
- ” Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.
- ” Mr. WEI YUK.
- ” Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.
- ” Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT:

- The Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.
- ” Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 13th September, 1906, were read and confirmed.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council with reference to the typhoon of the 18th September, 1906, proposed relief measures, and read various telegrams of sympathy.

Dr. HO KAI addressed the Council.

Mr. HEWETT addressed the Council.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 27th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed this 27th day of September, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 12.

THURSDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING, R.E.).

„ the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).  
„ the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt.).  
„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).  
„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).  
„ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).  
„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.  
„ Mr. WEI YUK.  
„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.  
„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT :

The Honourable the Harbour Master, (Captain LIONEL AUBREY WALTER BARNES-LAWRENCE R.N.).

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.  
„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 20th September, 1906, were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 65 to 72), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

M. NATHAN.

No. 7152 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four thousand four hundred Dollars (\$4,400) in aid of the vote, Sanitary Department—Other Charges, for the following items :—

Cemetery Incidental Expenses, .....	\$1,500
Cemetery Expenses—Disinterment of Dead Bodies, .....	900
Plague Corpses—Cost of Burial, .....	2,000
Total, .....	<u>\$4,400</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 12th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7107 of  
1906, C.C.D.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand one hundred and seventy Dollars (\$1,170) in aid of the vote, Post Office, B.—Postal Agencies in China, Tientsin—Other Charges, for the following items :—

Fittings, .....	\$1,000
Incidental Expenses, .....	50
Rent, .....	60
Uniforms for Postmen, .....	60
Total, .....	<u>\$1,170</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 13th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5936 of  
1905, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand one hundred Dollars (\$1,100) in aid of the vote, Observatory—Other Charges, Printing and distribution of Meteorological Register.

Government House, Hongkong, 18th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Twenty thousand Dollars (\$20,000) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Typhoon Damages.

Government House, Hongkong, 19th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7186 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Ten thousand Dollars in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, for the following items:—

Other Miscellaneous Services, ..... \$ 3,000

Refunds of Revenue, ..... 7,000

\$10,000

Government House, Hongkong, 19th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5612 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Two hundred and fifty Dollars (\$250) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, A.—Supreme Court—Other Charges, Electric Lighting and Fans.

Government House, Hongkong, 24th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 6826 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and twenty-three Dollars and forty-seven Cents (\$123.47) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Buildings:—Post Office, Kowloon.

Government House, Hongkong, 25th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7186 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Forty Dollars (\$40) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Travelling Allowances in the New Territory.

Government House, Hongkong, 25th September, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

TRADE MARKS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Trade Marks.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

CRIMINAL EVIDENCE BILL.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law of Evidence.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

**APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The Colonial Secretary moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Five million two hundred and two thousand one hundred and thirty-five Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1907.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Various Members addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Colonial Secretary moved that the Bill be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**PREPARED OPIUM (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Prepared Opium Ordinance, 1891.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed and Bill reported with one amendment.

**LUNACY (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Lunacy Ordinance, 1906.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

**NEW TERRITORIES LAND (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the New Territories Land Ordinance, 1905.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

**PRAYA RECLAMATION FUND TRANSFER BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to transfer to the General Revenue certain sums forming part of the Praya Reclamation Fund.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

**REGULATION OF CHINESE (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Regulation of Chinese Ordinance, 1888.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned till after the meeting of the Finance Committee.

APPROPRIATION BILL.—On Council resuming, the Colonial Secretary reported that the Appropriation Bill was considered clause by clause in the presence of the members of the Standing Committee and that in the opinion of the Finance Committee the Bill might be dealt with in the same manner as a Bill reported on by a Committee of the whole Council.

The Colonial Secretary moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 27th September, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 11th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed, this 11th day of October, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 13.

THURSDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1906.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING, R.E.).

- „ the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).
- „ the Attorney General, (SIR HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt., K.C.).
- „ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).
- „ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).
- „ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).
- „ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).
- „ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.
- „ Mr. WEI YUK.
- „ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.
- „ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT:

The Honourable Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 27th September, 1906, were read and confirmed.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council regarding the death of the late Harbour Master the Honourable Captain BARNES LAWRENCE.

COMMITTEES.—His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with the Standing Order No. 47, appointed the following Committees:—

*Finance Committee.*—All the Members of the Council, except the Governor, with the Colonial Secretary as Chairman.

*Law Committee.*—The Honourable the Attorney General (Chairman), the Honourables the Captain Superintendent of Police, Dr. HO KAI, Mr. WEI YUK, and Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.

*Public Works Committee.*—The Honourable the Director of Public Works (Chairman), the Honourables the Colonial Treasurer, Mr. E. OSBORNE, Mr. E. A. HEWETT, and Mr. W. J. GRESSON.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 73 to 77), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

M. NATHAN.

No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand two hundred Dollars (\$1,200) in aid of the vote, Botanical and Forestry Department—Other Charges, Repairs of Typhoon Damages.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th September, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

III in.  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Forty-nine thousand Dollars (\$49,000) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Typhoon Damages.

Government House, Hongkong, 8th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

I in  
No. 7418 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Five thousand Dollars (\$5,000) in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, A.—Police—Other Charges, Repairs of Typhoon Damages.

Government House, Hongkong, 9th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

VIII in  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Five thousand eight hundred and forty-six Dollars (\$5,846) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments—Other Charges, for the following items:—

A.—Staff:

Health Officer of Port, Repairs of Steam Launch  
"Sybil", ..... \$973

B.—Hospitals and Asylums.

Infectious Hospitals.  
Hospital Hulk "Hygeia":—Repairs of "Hygeia", .. 4,873

Total, ..... \$5,846

Government House, Hongkong, 10th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 3326 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred Dollars (\$100) in aid of the vote, Charitable Allowances, Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Government House, Hongkong, 11th October, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

CRIMINAL EVIDENCE BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law of Evidence in Criminal Cases.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The Attorney General moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

The Attorney General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

MERCHANT SHIPPING (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, and for other purposes, be postponed for further consideration.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

PREPARED OPIUM (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Prepared Opium Ordinance, 1891.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned till after the meeting of the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—On Council resuming, the Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 11th October, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 25th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed this 25th day of October, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 14.

THURSDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1906.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR  
(Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING,  
R.E.).

„ the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).  
„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).  
„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).  
„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).  
„ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).  
„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.  
„ Mr. WEI YUK.  
„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.  
„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.  
„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT :

The Honourable the Attorney General, (Sir HENRY SPENCER BERKELEY, Kt., K.C.).

„ Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 11th October, 1906, were read and confirmed.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following paper :—

Report by the Examiners of Queen's College.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 78 to 83), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee :—

M. NATHAN.

V in  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O. The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand nine hundred and forty-two Dollars (\$1,942) in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department, for the following items :—

A.—Harbour Office.

Other Charges.

New Boats, .....\$ 720

G.—Lighthouses,

Gap Rock Lighthouse.

Other Charges.

Gunpowder Charges and Tubes for Fog

Signalling Guns, ..... 1,222

Total, .....\$1,942

Government House, Hongkong, 12th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

II in  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O. The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and ten Dollars (\$110) in aid of the vote, Sanitary Department—Other Charges, Typhoon Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 12th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7616 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and thirteen Dollars (\$113) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, B.—Magistracy—Other Charges, for the following items:—

Advertising Meetings of Justices of the Peace, .....	\$ 50
New Territory.	
Incidental Expenses, .....	63
Total, .....	<u>\$113</u>

Government House, Hongkong, 12th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

VIII in  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four hundred and fifty\* Dollars (\$450) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments, Typhoon Expenses,—Hire of Launch for Health Officer of Port.

Government House, Hongkong, 19th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 2694 of  
1906, C.S.O.,  
Confidential.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Fourteen thousand Dollars (\$14,000) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, Public Health and Buildings Ordinance Commission.

Government House, Hongkong, 20th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

II in  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Six thousand Dollars (\$6,000) in aid of the vote, Sanitary Department, Typhoon Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 22nd October, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

CHINESE CEMETERIES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following Additional Bye-law made by the Sanitary Board on the 2nd October, 1906, under Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, and moved that it be approved by the Council:—

“19.—The areas of the grave spaces in the various sections shall not exceed the following dimensions:—

- Section A 7 feet long by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet wide with 18 inches interspaces.
- Section B 7 feet 6 inches long by  $2\frac{3}{4}$  feet wide with 18 inches interspaces.
- Section C 8 feet long by 3 feet wide with 18 inches interspaces.
- Section D 10 feet long by 8 feet wide with 18 inches interspaces.
- Section E 10 feet long by 8 feet wide with 18 inches interspaces.”

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

WORKMEN'S TRAMS.—Consideration of the following Resolution was postponed:—

“Resolved that the Resolutions regarding the running of Workmen's Cars by the Hongkong Tramway Electric Company, Limited, passed by the Legislative Council on the 21st day of June 1906 be rescinded as from to-day.”

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION FUND (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Colonial Treasurer moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund Ordinance, 1900.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

TRADE MARKS BILL.—The Colonial Secretary moved that the Bill entitled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Trade Marks, be withdrawn from the "Orders of the Day."

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

MERCHANT SHIPPING (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Colonial Secretary moved that the Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole Council.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported with minor amendments.

The Colonial Secretary moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned until Thursday, the 1st November, 1906.

M. NATHAN,  
*Governor.*

Read and confirmed, this 1st day of November, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 15.

THURSDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER, 1906.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel CHARLES HENRY DARLING, R.E.).

- „ the Colonial Secretary, (THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH).  
„ the Attorney General, (HENRY HESSY JOHNSTON GOMPERTZ).  
„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALEXANDER MACDONALD THOMSON).  
„ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM).  
„ the Registrar General, (ARTHUR WINBOLT BREWIN).  
„ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (FRANCIS JOSEPH BADELEY).  
„ Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.  
„ Mr. WEI YUK.  
„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.  
„ Mr. EDBERT ANSGAR HEWETT.  
„ Mr. WILLIAM JARDINE GRESSON.

ABSENT:

The Honourable Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 25th October, 1906, were read and confirmed.

NEW MEMBER.—Mr. HENRY HESSY JOHNSTON GOMPERTZ took the Oath and assumed his seat as a Member of the Council.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the following Financial Minutes, (Nos. 84 to 90), and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

M. NATHAN.

IV in  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand two hundred Dollars (\$1,200) in aid of the vote, Botanical and Forestry Department—Other Charges, Repairs of Typhoon Damages.

Government House, Hongkong, 25th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7608 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and eighty Dollars (\$180) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, Land Office, New Territories—Other Charges, Typhoon Expenses.

Government House, Hongkong, 26th October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

I in  
No. 7416 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand Dollars (\$1,000) in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, A.—Police—Other Charges, Repairs of Typhoon Damages.

Government House, Hongkong, 31st October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 4314 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Four hundred and eighty Dollars (\$480) in aid of the vote, Medical Departments—Other Charges, for the following items:—

B.—Hospitals and Asylums.

Civil Hospital.

Light and Fuel,..... \$300

Victoria Hospital for Women and Children.

Washing, ..... 180

Total, ..... \$480

Government House, Hongkong, 31st October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 5333 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of Fifteen thousand Dollars (\$15,000) in aid of the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, Communications:—15.—Railway to Canton,—Survey and Preliminary Work.

Government House, Hongkong, 31st October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7186 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One thousand Dollars (\$1,000) in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services—Refunds of Revenue.

Government House, Hongkong, 31st October, 1906.

M. NATHAN.

No. 7639 of  
1906, C.S.O.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of One hundred and seventy-five Dollars (\$175) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, D.—Land Registry Office, for New Territories—Other Charges, Rewards for Services in the Typhoon.

Government House, Hongkong, 31st October, 1906.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 25th October, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.—The Director of Public Works, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Public Works Committee, dated the 25th October, 1906.

WORKMEN'S TRAMS.—The Colonial Secretary addressed the Council and moved that consideration of the following Resolution be postponed *sine die*:—

*“Resolved that the Resolutions regarding the running of Workmen's Cars by the Hongkong Tramway Electric Company, Limited, passed by the Legislative Council on the 21st day of June 1906 be rescinded as from to-day.”*

The Attorney General seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.



QUESTIONS.—MR. POLLOCK, K.C., pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

1. (a). *When does the Government intend to commence work on the construction of a new Harbour of Refuge?*
- (b). *Will the Government state the respective situations areas and estimated cost of construction of the various new Harbours of Refuge which have been suggested at different times?*
2. (a). *Will the Government state what is the area of the present Harbour of Refuge at Causeway Bay?*
- (b). *Has the Government obtained any, and, if so, what Estimates with reference to the dredging and deepening of the shallow portions of such Harbour of Refuge?*

The Director of Public Works replied.

Some discussion then ensued.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION FUND (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Colonial Treasurer moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund Ordinance, 1900.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

Council resumed, and Bill reported without amendment.

The Colonial Secretary moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

• Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

• ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned till after the meeting of the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—On Council resuming, the Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 1st November, 1906, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council with reference to the Observatory Inquiry.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

Governor.

Read and confirmed this            day of            , 1906.

(Clerk of Councils.