

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF HONGKONG.

No. 22 of 1858.

FRIDAY, 8th OCTOBER, 1858.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AND ALL THE MEMBERS, EXCEPT THE HONOURABLE
THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, ABSENT ON ACCOUNT OF ILLNESS.

The Council met to-day, pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Council were read and approved.

Read a first time *Draft* Ordinance for defraying the Supplementary Charges of the
Civil Establishments for the Year ending 31st December, 1858.

Ordered that the said Ordinance, with the Three Schedules thereunto annexed, be
printed and circulated amongst Members.

The Governor recommended, that a Committee, consisting of the Acting Colonial
Secretary and two Non-official Members of this Council, should be appointed
to report the conditions upon which the Colonial Government might properly
take charge of the Post-office at Hongkong.

Whereupon, it was moved by the Chief Magistrate, and seconded by the Surveyor
General that Mr Jardine and Mr Lyall, with the Acting Colonial Secretary, be
appointed a Committee to report the Conditions upon which the Colonial
Government might properly take charge of the Post-office at Hongkong.

Mr Lyall objecting to his nomination, on the ground that he had already served in the
recent Caldwell Inquiry Commission, which had absorbed much of his
time;—

It was moved by the Chief Magistrate, seconded by the Surveyor General, and
unanimously agreed to,—That Mr Lyall be excused; and that such Committee
do consist of the Acting Colonial Secretary, Mr Jardine, and Mr Dent.

The Governor gave notice of his intention to move a Resolution, that a Sum not
exceeding £19,000 be appropriated towards the Construction of the Bowring
Prays, and the Works thereunto belonging.

The Council then adjourned till Friday, the 15th instant, at 12 o'clock precisely.

JOHN BOWRING,
Governor.

Read and approved, this 15th Day of October, 1858.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO,
Clerk of Councils.