

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF HONGKONG.

No. 10 OF 1872.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1872.

PRESENT :

His Excellency Governor SIR ARTHUR EDWARD KENNEDY, K.C.M.G., C.B.

The Honorable the Acting Chief Justice (HENRY JOHN BALL).

The Honorable the Acting Colonial Secretary (CECIL CLEMENTI SMITH).

The Honorable the Acting Attorney General (THOMAS CHILD HAYLLAR).

The Honorable the Acting Treasurer (CHARLES MAY).

The Honorable PHINEAS RYRIE.

The Honorable HENRY LOWCOCK.

The Honorable JAMES GREIG.

The Honorable WILLIAM HASTING ALEXANDER.

The Honorable JAMES WHITTALL.

The Council meets this day at 3 P.M., pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the Council held on the 5th September, are read and confirmed.

Read a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, No. 112 of 1st August, 1872, relative to Ordinance No. 3 of 1872, to provide for the Oral Examination of Prisoners.

The Honorable PHINEAS RYRIE puts the following Question, which he had handed in after the last Meeting of Council: - "Whether His Excellency has any objection to furnish the Council with some explanation regarding the resignation of Dr. Young, there being a report in the Colony, that this Officer, (who is acknowledged to have been a most useful and zealous public Servant,) has been harshly dealt with, and in consequence compelled to send in his resignation."

His Excellency in replying to the Honorable Member, draws attention to the distinction between the functions of the Members of the Legislative Council and those of the Executive Government; and having stated that in his opinion no Member was justified in bringing before the Council any matter based merely on "a report," His Excellency declines to answer the Question.

Reading, amended and passed, the Rules and Orders for regulating the Practice of the Court of Summary Jurisdiction as framed by the Honorable THOMAS CHILD HAYLLAR, Acting Judge of the said Court, on the 20th August, 1872.

His Excellency moves that the *Appropriation Bill for 1873*, be read a second time.

Debate ensues.

It is moved by the Honorable PHINEAS RYRIE, and seconded by the Honorable JAMES GREIG, that the second reading of the Bill be postponed for one week.

Amendment put, and Division called for.

Council divides.

Ayes (4).

Mr. ALEXANDER.
Mr. GREIG.
Mr. LOWCOCK.
Mr. RYRIE.

Noes (5)

Mr. WHITTALL.
The ACTING TREASURER.
The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.
The ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE.

Amendment lost.

Original motion put and passed.

Bill read a second time, and the Council goes into Committee upon the Estimates for the year 1873.

The following Votes are agreed to : -

ESTABLISHMENTS	\$	c.
Governor,	740.00	
Colonial Secretary,.....	10,160.00	
Colonial Treasurer,	3,072.00	
Auditor General,	14,599.00	
Clerk of Councils,	100.00	
Surveyor General,	17,831.00	
Postmaster General,	27,950.00	
Registrar General,	9,508.00	
Harbor Master,	26,071.20	
Collector of Stamp Revenue,	4,078.00	
Judicial,	10,650.00	
Registrar of Companies,.....	192.00	
Ecclesiastical,.....	1,230.00	
Educational,	15,412.00	
Medical,	13,536.00	
Police Magistrates,.....	5,968.00	
Police,.....	175,732.80	
Gaol,.....	19,931.00	
Fire Brigade,	6,848.00	
Government Gardens,	4,192.80	

His Excellency adjourns the Council at 5 P.M., until to-morrow at 3 P.M.

A. E. KENNEDY,
Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 19th Day of September, 1872.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO,
Clerk of Councils