

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL No. 9.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH APRIL, 1884.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR GEORGE FERGUSON BOWEN, G.C.M.G.)

His Honour the Chief Justice, (SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO, Knt.)

The Honourable the Attorney General, (EDWARD LOUGHLIN O'MALLEY.)

„ the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNEILE PRICE.)
„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALFRED LISTER.)
„ the Registrar General, (FREDERICK STEWART, LL.D.)
„ PHINEAS RYRIE.
„ WILLIAM KESWICK.
„ THOMAS JACKSON.
„ FREDERICK DAVID SASSOON.
„ WONG SHING.

ABSENT:

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (WILLIAM HENRY MARSH, C.M.G.), by leave.

The Council met in pursuance of adjournment.

Minutes read and confirmed.

VOTES OF MONEY REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—Read the following Minute by His Excellency the Governor:—

The Governor recommends the Council to vote the following sums:—

C.S.O. (1.) A sum of \$25,000 for the drainage and filling in of the unhealthy marsh in the centre
877 of 1884. of the Wongnaich'ung Valley.

C.S.O. (2.) A sum of \$650 for repairing the roof of the T'ai'p'ingshán Market.
858 of 1884.

The Colonial Treasurer moved that these papers be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Registrar General seconded.

Question—put and passed.

ORDINANCES CONFIRMED BY THE QUEEN.—The Acting Clerk of Council announced Her Majesty's confirmation of the following Ordinances:—

No. 13 of 1883, entitled—*An Ordinance for the naturalisation of LAI FONG.*

No. 14 of 1883, entitled—*An Ordinance for the naturalisation of* JANUARIO ANTONIO DE CARVALHO.

No. 15 of 1883, entitled—*An Ordinance for the naturalisation of* WONG SHING.

No. 16 of 1883, entitled—*An Ordinance for the naturalisation of* HENRIQUE JOAQUIM RODRIGUES.

No. 18 of 1883, entitled—*An Ordinance for amending the Tramways Ordinance, 1883.*

THE STAMP ORDINANCE, 1884.—The Attorney General moved that the Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled *The Stamp Ordinance, 1884.*

The Honourable W. KESWICK moved, as an amendment, that the Council go into Committee on the Bill that day week.

Seconded by the Honourable P. RYRIE.

Amendment carried.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 3 OF 1871.—The Attorney General moved that the Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled *An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 3 of 1871*.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

The Bill was committed.

The Attorney General gave notice that at the next Meeting of Council he would move that the Bill be read a third time.

THE MERCHANT SHIPPING ORDINANCE, 1879, AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1884.—The Attorney General moved that the Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled *The Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1879, Amendment Ordinance, 1884*.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

The Bill was committed.

The Attorney General gave notice that at the next Meeting of Council he would move that the Bill be read a third time.

THE POST OFFICE ORDINANCE, 1884.—On the motion of the Attorney General, seconded by the Colonial Treasurer, the Bill entitled *The Post Office Ordinance, 1884*, was read a second time, and committed.

The Attorney General gave notice that at the next Meeting of Council, he would move that the Bill be read a third time.

NOTICE OF MOTION.—The Attorney General gave notice that at the next Meeting of Council he would move "that it is expedient that those Justices of the Peace who are also officials of Government "should abstain from taking part in the nomination of the Un-official Member of this Council who is "to be nominated by the Justices of the Peace.

The Attorney General moved the adjournment of the Council until Wednesday, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.

Question—put and passed.

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 23rd day of April, 1884.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Acting Clerk of Councils.