

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, NO. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1888.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT  
(FREDERICK STEWART).

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

„ the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (HENRY ERNEST WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.).

„ the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNEILE PRICE).

„ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (WALTER MEREDITH DEANE).

„ PHINEAS RYRIE.

„ WONG SHING.

„ JOHN BELL-IRVING.

„ BENDYSHE LAYTON, (*vice* the Honourable ALEXANDER PALMER MAC EWEN).

ABSENT:

The Honourable CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

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

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEE.—The Attorney General read the following Reports of the Select Committee dated the 30th ultimo:—

*Bill entitled The Chinese Emigration Consolidation Ordinance, 1888.*—The Select Committee on this Bill report the same without amendment, with the exception of striking out the preamble.

*Bill entitled The Evidence Consolidation Ordinance, 1888.*—The Select Committee on this Bill report the same with the following amendments, adopted upon the suggestion of the Law Revision Commission:—

*In clause 39, by substituting the words at such trial for the words in such prosecution.*

*In clause 40, by inserting after the word Crown the words the prisoner or accused or his Counsel.*

The Bill is printed as thus amended.

*Bill entitled The Compensation to Families Ordinance, 1888.*—The Select Committee upon this Bill report the same without amendment.

BILL ENTITLED THE CHINESE EMIGRATION CONSOLIDATION ORDINANCE, 1888.—The Attorney General moved that the Council go into Committee on this Bill.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Attorney General then moved that the Standing Orders be suspended, and the numbers of the sections of the Bill only be read instead of reading each section.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Council then went into Committee.

Bill reported without amendment.

BILL ENTITLED THE EVIDENCE CONSOLIDATION ORDINANCE, 1888.—The Attorney General moved that the Council go into Committee on this Bill.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Attorney General then moved that the Standing Orders be suspended, and the numbers of the sections of the Bill only be read instead of reading each section.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Council then went into Committee.

Bill reported without amendment.

BILL ENTITLED THE COMPENSATION TO FAMILIES ORDINANCE, 1888.—The Attorney General moved that the Council go into Committee on this Bill.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Attorney General then moved that the Standing Orders be suspended, and the numbers of the sections of the Bill only be read instead of reading each section.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

The Council then went into Committee.

Bill reported without amendment.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE NATURALIZATION OF T'SŪ TAK-PIU *otherwise* CHING Ú.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Council then went into Committee.

Bill reported without amendment.

BILL ENTITLED THE CORONER'S ABOLITION ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE, 1888.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Council then went into Committee.

Bill reported with a verbal amendment.

BILL ENTITLED THE STATUTE LAW PRESERVATION ORDINANCE AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1888.—The Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Council then went into Committee.

Bill reported without amendment.

BILL ENTITLED THE MERCHANT SHIPPING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1888.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE POWERS OF POLICE MAGISTRATES.—The Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council.

His Excellency addressed the Council.

The Acting Treasurer seconded, and addressed the Council.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned to Wednesday, the 12th instant, at 4 P.M.

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Administering the Government.*

Read and confirmed, this 12th day of December, 1888.

ARATHOON SETH,  
*Clerk of Councils.*