

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 15.

THURSDAY, 16TH MAY, 1889.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
(SIR G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX, K.C.M.G.)

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary (FREDERICK STEWART).
" the Acting Attorney General, (ANDREW JOHN LEACH).
" the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (HENRY ERNEST WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.).
" the Acting Registrar General, (NORMAN GILBERT MITCHELL-INNES).
" PHINEAS RYRIE.
" WONG SHING.
" CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.
" BENDYSHE LAYTON, (*vice* the Honourable ALEXANDER PALMER MAC EWEN).
" JAMES JOHNSTONE KESWICK, (*vice* the Honourable JOHN BELL-IRVING).

The Council met pursuant to notice.

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

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

G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX.

C.S.O.
1170 of 1889. The Governor recommends the Council to vote the sum of Three thousand and Four hundred Dollars,
\$3,400. for repairing damage caused to roads outside the City of Victoria by the rainstorm of the 29th April last.
Government House, Hongkong, 9th May, 1889.

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

The Acting Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE NATURALIZATION OF LI MAN HI *otherwise* POKSHAN.—The Acting Attorney General, moved the first reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 17 OF 1887.—The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE POST OFFICE ORDINANCE, 1887.—The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED THE CROWN LANDS RESUMPTION ORDINANCE, 1889.—The Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

BILL ENTITLED THE CHINESE EXTRADITION ORDINANCE, 1889.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Mr. RYRIE addressed the Council, and moved that the second reading of the Bill be postponed.

Mr. LAYTON seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Second reading postponed.

POKFULAM WATER SUPPLY.—Mr. LAYTON gave notice that at the next Meeting he would ask the following question:—

Whether, in view of the unsatisfactory state of the water supply from Pokfulam, any steps are being taken to remedy the defects in that supply; and, if that be impossible, whether the Tytam water cannot be distributed to districts at present provided by Pokfulam?

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

Mr. LAYTON then withdrew the question.

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

G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX,
Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 27th day of May, 1889.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.