

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 29.

MONDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1890.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT
(The Honourable FRANCIS FLEMING, C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Acting Colonial Secretary, (WALTER MEREDITH DEANE, C.M.G.).

„ the Acting Attorney General, (EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD).
„ the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (HENRY ERNEST WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.).
„ the Surveyor General, (SAMUEL BROWN).
„ the Acting Registrar General, (NORMAN GILBERT MITCHELL-INNES).
„ PHINEAS RYRIE.
„ CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.
„ HO KAI, M.B., C.M.
„ THOMAS HENDERSON WHITEHEAD.

ABSENT:

The Honourable JAMES JOHNSTONE KESWICK.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 13th November, 1890, were read and confirmed.

PAPERS.—The Acting Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, laid on the table a statement concerning cost of Law Revision Commission, and cost of the new edition of the Hongkong Ordinances.

Honourable T. H. WHITEHEAD gave notice that at the next Meeting of Council he would ask the following questions:—

1. *Is the Government aware that the water supply to the Robinson Road district was cut off for several days last week, and that no notice whatever was given of the fact so as to allow the inhabitants to make provision to obtain water from some other source? Will the Government issue the necessary instructions so that the public may have some notice in future of when and for how long it is proposed to cut off the water supply?*
2. *Is the Government aware that there is a very great scarcity of water in the Western district at the Peak, and will the Government state what measures they are taking, or propose to take, to meet the emergency?*

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CATTLE DISEASES, SLAUGHTER-HOUSES, AND MARKETS ORDINANCE, 1887."—Council in Committee on the Bill.

Bill reported with amendments.

Council resumed.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHINESE EMIGRATION CONSOLIDATION ORDINANCE, 1889."—Council in Committee on the Bill.

Bill reported without amendment.

Council resumed.

The Acting Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE OF 1887."—Council in Committee on the Bill.

Bill reported with amendment.

Council resumed.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ARMS ORDINANCE OF 1889."—Council in Committee on the Bill.

Bill reported with amendment.

Council resumed.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO GIVE FURTHER POWERS TO COMPANIES WITH RESPECT TO THE ALTERATION OF THEIR MEMORANDA OF ASSOCIATION."—The Acting Attorney General moved that the consideration of this Bill be adjourned until Monday, the 24th instant, which was agreed to.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO APPLY A SUM NOT EXCEEDING ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY DOLLARS TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE YEAR 1891."—The Acting Colonial Secretary moved that the consideration of this Bill be adjourned, which was agreed to.

BILL ENTITLED "THE SQUATTERS' ORDINANCE, 1890."—The Acting Attorney General moved that the consideration of this Bill be adjourned until the 24th instant which was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned till Monday, the 24th November, at 3 P.M.

F. FLEMING,
Officer Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed, this 24th day of November, 1890.

F. A. HAZELAND,
Acting Clerk of Councils.