

31st January, 1951.

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PRESENT: —

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

SIR ALEXANDER WILLIAM GEORGE HERDER GRANTHAM, K.C.M.G.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES

LIEUTENANT GENERAL SIR ERIC CARDEN ROBERT

MANSERGH, K.B.E., C.B., M.C.

THE HONOURABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY

MR. JOHN FEARNIS NICOLL, C.M.G.

THE HONOURABLE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

MR. JOHN BOWES GRIFFIN, K.C.

THE HONOURABLE THE SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS

MR. RONALD RUSKIN TODD.

THE HONOURABLE THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

SIR CHARLES GEOFFREY SHIELD FOLLOWS, C.M.G.

DR. THE HONOURABLE ISAAC NEWTON

(Director of Medical and Health Services).

THE HONOURABLE PATRICK CARDINAL MASON SEDGWICK

(Acting Chairman, Urban Council).

THE HONOURABLE THEODORE LOUIS BOWRING, O.B.E.

(Director of Public Works).

THE HONOURABLE CHAU TSUN-NIN, C.B.E.

DR. THE HONOURABLE CHAU SIK-NIN, C.B.E.

THE HONOURABLE LEO D'ALMADA E CASTRO, K.C.

THE HONOURABLE MAURICE MURRAY WATSON.

THE HONOURABLE PHILIP STANLEY CASSIDY.

THE HONOURABLE CHARLES EDWARD MICHAEL TERRY.

THE HONOURABLE LO MAN WAI, O.B.E.

MR. ROBERT WILLIAM PRIMROSE *(Deputy Clerk of Councils).*

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 17th January, 1951, were confirmed.

PAPERS.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, by Command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the table the following papers: —

<i>Subject.</i>	<i>G.N. No.</i>
The Stamp Ordinance, 1921.	
Stamp (13ank Authorization) (No. 1) Order, 1951	A. 10
The Defence Regulations, 1940.	
Price Control Order, 1946—Amendment of Schedule	A. 11
Proclamation No. 1 of 1951.	
Amendment of the First Schedule to the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance, 1948	A. 12
The Hong Kong Police Reserve Ordinance, 1927.	
Amendment of the Regulations	A. 13
The Radio-Active Minerals Ordinance, 1948.	
Radio-Active Minerals (Amendment of Schedule) Order, 1951	A. 14
The Emergency Regulations Ordinance, 1922.	
Emergency (Penicillin Ordinance, 1948) (Amendment) Regulations, 1951	A. 15
The Defence (Finance) Regulations, 1940.	
Possession of Gold (Goldsmiths) (Amendment) Order, 1951	A. 16
The Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance, 1936.	
Declaration under section 18	A. 17
The Public Health (Sanitary Provisions) Regulations, 1948.	
Declaration under Regulation 2(10)(a)	A. 18

**BY-LAWS UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH (SANITATION)
ORDINANCE No. 15 OF 1935.**

THE HON. P. C. M. SEDGWICK moved—

That the By-laws made by the Urban Council on the 2nd day of January, 1951, under section 4 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935 (Ordinance No. 15 of 1935) be approved.

He said: Sir, it has been the practice hitherto for the public to be informed by notification in the *Government Gazette* of the approved fees charged by the Urban Council in respect of conservancy services. It is considered preferable that such fees should be laid down in the relevant by-laws made under the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance of 1935. The fees set out in the amendment to the Conservancy By-laws which I now move are the same as those which have already been published in Gazette Notification No. 328 of 29th March, 1949, and which remain in force at the present time.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Motion was carried.

DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1951.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Diplomatic Privileges Ordinance, 1948."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a Second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Council then resumed.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL reported that the Diplomatic Privileges (Amendment) Bill, 1951, had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

**LAW REVISION (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENT)
BILL, 1951.**

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend miscellaneous Ordinances for the purpose of facilitating the preparation of the revised edition of the laws."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a Second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Council then resumed.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL reported that the Law Revision (Miscellaneous Amendment) Bill, 1951, had passed through Committee without amendment, and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

RATING (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1951.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance further to amend the Rating Ordinance, 1901."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a Second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Council then resumed.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL reported that the Rating (Amendment) Bill, 1951, had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

ADJOURNMENT.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: —That concludes the business, Gentlemen. When is it your pleasure that we should meet again?

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: —I propose adjournment to this day fortnight.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: —Council will adjourn to this day fortnight.