# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL No. 1.

TUESDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1882.

#### PRESENT:

### HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR JOHN POPE HENNESSY, K.C.M.G.).

His Honour the Acting Chief Justice, (FRANCIS SNOWDEN).

The Honourable the Acting Colonial Secretary, (MALCOLM STRUAN TONNOCHY)

- " the Attorney General, (EDWARD LOUGHLIN O'MALLEY).
- " the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (WALTER MEREDITH DEANE).
- " PHINEAS RYRIE.
- " NG CHOY.
- " Francis Bulkeley, Johnson.
- " EMANUEL RAPHAEL BELILIOS.

#### ABSENT:

The Honourable WILLIAM KESWICK, (on leave).

JOHN MACNEILE PRICE, (on leave).

The Minutes of the last meeting of Council held on the 12th September, 1881 are read and confirmed.

His Excellency the Governor delivers the following address on opening the Session of 1882.

(See Government Gazette of 11th February, 1882.)

The Governor moves the introduction and first reading of the following Bills, which are laid on the table, read a first time and ordered to be printed: -

An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance.

- " " the Vehicles Ordinance 1863.
  " for the Naturalization of LAI SHUN TING.
  " " " CHAN TENG CHO.
  " " 'NG LI HING.
  " " YAU CHONG HING.
  " " CHAN MUN WING.
- The Acting Chief Justice hands in the report of the Special Committee on the Tramways Bill.
  - Mr. BELILIOS addresses the Council.
  - Mr. JOHNSON moves that the Council go into Committee on the Bill to-morrow.

The Attorney General calls attention to the fact that his name appears in the Minutes of the Special Committee as an absentee and says that he had never been appointed on the Committee.

The Acting Chief Justice gives an explanation with which the Attorney General is satisfied.

- Mr. JOHNSON'S motions to go into Committee on the Bill to-morrow is carried.
- Mr. JOHNSON'S motions with reference to the correspondence relative to the Steam-ship *Ocean* is withdrawn at his request. With reference to this notice of

motion the Governor mentions that the word "barbarous" which appeared to reflect on the Government of New South Wales had been struck out by his directions.

Mr. JOHNSON pursuant to notice asks the following questions: -

When the papers relative the Chinese Emigration from the Colony promised the Council on the 23rd August last will be presented?

The Governor replies.

Mr. JOHNSON pursuant to notice asks the following question: -

Whether the minute of the Finance Committee made in August last relating to the unsatisfactory state of the roads in Victoria has been brought to the attention of the Acting Surveyor General, and whether the recommendation contained in the minute will be acted upon?

The Governor replies.

Mr. JOHNSON pursuant to notice asks the following question: -

Whether final instructions from the Colonial Office have been received with regard to the proposed extension of Water Supply?

The Governor replies.

Mr. JOHNSON pursuant to notice asks the following question: -

Why the sittings of the Education Commission, nominated on the 27th August, 1880, have been suspended, and when they will be resumed?

The Acting Colonial Treasurer replies.

The Acting Colonial Secretary moves the approval of the following sums which have passed the Finance Committee, and they are unanimously approved: -

#### ESTABLISHMENTS.

	Postmaster General	
C.S.O. No. 2448.	Personal Allowance of \$40 per month to Postmaster General, from 13th July to 30 November, 1881,	\$184.51
	Medical.	
C.S.O. No. 2772.	Apothecary and Analyst in the Civil Hospital, annual increase of \$96 per annum, from 23rd September to 30th November,	
	1881,	\$18.13
	EXCLUSIVE OF ESTABLISHMENTS.	
	Surveyor General.	
C.S.O. No. 2412.	Rent of Quarters for the Clerk of Works, at \$30 per month, from 24th August to 30th November, 1881,	\$97.74
	Works and Buildings	
C.S.O. No. 1782.	Repairs to Buildings, Supplementary Vote,	\$3,000.00
C.S.O. No. 2201.	Purchase of 56 Iron Telegraph Posts, at \$15 each,	840.00
C.S.O. No. 2303.	Purchase of 81 Insulators, &c.,	81.00
		\$3,921.00

## Roads, Streets, and Bridges.

C.S.O. No. 2822.	Watering Streets, Supplementary Vote,	\$100.00
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	Government Gardens and Plantations.	
C.S.O. No. 2400.	Repairing Damages caused by a Land Slip in Glenealy Ravine of the New Garden,	\$1,200.00
	Miscellaneous Services.	
C.S.O. No. 2373.	Grant to the Humane Society,	\$250.00
	Grant for the Reception of Their Royal Highnesses Princes Albert Victor and George of Wales,	\$10,000.00

Mr. JOHNSON as a point of order rises to call attention to a notice of a resolution he had wished to move to-day.

The Governor explains that he would have been unable to put the motion referred to, as it was irregular and out of order and it therefore could not appear on the Order Book, being a motion for papers sent by the Honourable Member to the Secretary of State for His Lordship's decision which was not yet signified; and His Excellency refers to the practice in the Imperial Parliament as well as the precedent in 1859 in this Colony when the Lieutenant-Governor declined at this Council table to allow a similar motion to be put.

Mr. JOHNSON gives notice of his intention to enter a protest against His Excellency's decision.

By His Excellency's command the following papers are laid upon the table and ordered to be printed : -

Chinese Emigration.

Despatches about the Estimates for 1882.

Despatches about the Normal School.

Despatches about the appointment of Head Master of the Central School.

Revenue and Expenditure Returns, 1881.

His Excellency adjourns the Council to 2.30 P.M. to-morrow.

J. POPE HENNESSY, *Governor*.

Read and confirmed this Eight day of February, 1882.

ARATHOON SETH,

Clerk of Councils.