

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL No. 30.

FRIDAY, 14TH MAY, 1886.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY WILLIAM HENRY MARSH, C.M.G.,

Administering the Government in the absence of His Excellency SIR GEORGE FERGUSON BOWEN, G.C.M.G.

His Honour the Acting Chief Justice, (JAMES RUSSELL.)

The Honourable the Acting Colonial Secretary, (FREDERICK STEWART, LL.D.)

„ the Acting Attorney General, (EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD.)

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALFRED LISTER.)

„ the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNEILE PRICE.)

„ PHINEAS RYRIE.

„ WONG SHING.

ABSENT:

His Honour the Chief Justice, (SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO, Knt.,) on leave.

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

„ WILLIAM KESWICK, on leave.

„ THOMAS JACKSON, on leave.

„ FREDERICK DAVID SASSOON, on leave.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 7th instant, were read and confirmed.

VOTE OF MONEY REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—Read the following Minute by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government:—

W. H. MARSH.

The Officer Administering the Government recommends the Council to vote the following sum:—

C.S.O. 998 of 1886.	Allowance to Passed Cadet, Mr. MAY, for a Chinese Teacher conversant with Mandarin, at \$15 per month, 7 months,	<u>\$ 105.00</u>
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It is very desirable that Mr. MAY should continue his study of the Mandarin dialect, and keep up the knowledge which he has acquired of the Official language of China, and that a competent person should be provided to assist him in writing Proclamations and other Official Correspondence.

Government House, Hongkong, 14th May, 1886.

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

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

VOTE OF MONEY PASSED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Acting Colonial Secretary moved the following Vote passed by the Finance Committee:—

(*Finance Committee, 7th May, 1886.*)

PAYMENT IN EXCESS OF THE ESTIMATES FOR 1886.

SERVICES EXCLUSIVE OF ESTABLISHMENTS.

Miscellaneous Services.

C.S.O. 3122 of 1885.	For expenses in connection with the Law Revision Commission, being salaries of the Secretary and Copying Clerk, and Contingencies, to be paid during the year 1886,	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>
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The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

PAPERS.—The Acting Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, laid upon the table the following papers:—

- (a.) The Harbour Master's Report, for 1885. (No. 30.)
- (b.) The Educational Reports, for 1885. (No. 31.)
- (c.) The Colonial Surgeon's Report, for 1885. (No. 32.)

BILL IN COMMITTEE.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, the Council resumed consideration, in Committee, of the Bill entitled *The Spirits Licence Ordinance*, 1886.

Bill reported with amendments.

The Acting Attorney General gave notice that at the next meeting of Council he would move the third reading of this Bill.

BILLS READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, the following Bills were read a third time:—

- (a.) *The Board of Ship Liquor Sale Ordinance*, 1886.
- (b.) *The Reformatory Schools Ordinance*, 1886.
- (c.) *The Harbour Regulations Ordinance*, 1886.

Question put—that these Bills do pass.

Bills passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned to Friday, the 21st instant, at 4 P.M.

W. H. MARSH,
Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed, this 21st day of May, 1886.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.