

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL No. 31.

FRIDAY, 27TH MAY, 1887.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL WILLIAM GORDON CAMERON, C.B.,

Administering the Government.

His Honour the Acting Chief Justice, (JAMES RUSSELL), *vice* His Honour SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO, Knt.,
on leave.

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

„ the Acting Attorney General, (EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD), *vice* the Honourable EDWARD
LOUGHLIN O'MALLEY, on leave.

„ the Colonial Treasurer, (ALFRED LISTER.)

„ the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNEILE PRICE).

„ HENRY GEORGE THOMSETT, R.N.

„ PHINEAS RYRIE.

„ WONG SHING.

„ JOHN BELL-IRVING, (*vice* the Honourable WILLIAM KESWICK, on leave).

„ ALEXANDER PALMER MACEWEN, (*vice* the Honourable THOMAS JACKSON, on leave).

„ CATCHICK PAUL CHATER, (*vice* the Honourable FREDERICK DAVID SASSOON, on leave).

The Council met pursuant to notice.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 23rd instant, were read and confirmed.

VOTE OF MONEY PASSED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Acting Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, laid upon the table the Report of the proceedings of the Finance Committee, dated the 23rd instant, (No. $\frac{13}{87}$), and moved that the following sum referred to therein be voted:—

C.S.O. 2853 of 1886.	Compensation to certain owners of cultivated land at Deep Bay,	\$ 600.00
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The Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

PAPER.—The Acting Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, laid upon the table the following paper, and explained that it would not be published until the Rejoinder to it, by the Sanitary Board, had been received:—

Dr. HO KAI'S Protest in connection with the *Public Health Bill*. (No. $\frac{30}{87}$).

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE BETTER REGULATING OF THE TRADE IN OPIUM.—On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, the Council went into Committee on this Bill.

Bill reported with amendments.

On the motion of the Acting Attorney General, seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, the Standing Orders were suspended, and the Bill was read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed and numbered as Ordinance No. 22 of 1887.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH BILL.—The Officer Administering the Government informed the Council that a translation of this Bill in Chinese would be published, and that a meeting would be convened about the first week in July to proceed with the consideration of the Bill.

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

W. G. CAMERON, *Major-General,*
Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed, this 8th day of July, 1887.

J. M. GUTIERREZ,
Acting Clerk of Councils.