LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 6.

FRIDAY, 1ST MARCH, 1889.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(SIR G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX, K.C.M.G.)

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary (FREDERICK STEWART).

- ,, the Acting Attorney General, (Andrew John Leach).
- ,, the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (HENRY ERNEST WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.).
- " the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNELE PRICE).
- " the Captain Superintendent of Police, (WALTER MEREDITH DEANE).
- " PHINEAS RYRIE.
- .. Wong Shing.
- " JOHN BELL-IRVING.
- BENDYSHE LAYTON, (vice the Honourable ALEXANDER PALMER MACEWEN).
- , CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.

ABSENT:

The Honourable the Registrar General, (James Haldane Stewart Lockhart).

The Council met pursuant to notice.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 25th ultimo, were read and confirmed.

Votes referred to the Finance Committee.—Read the following Minutes by His Excellency the Governor:

(1.)

G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX.

C.O. Desp. 224 of 1888. _

The Governor recommends the Council to vote the sum of Two thousand Dollars, to be vested in Trustees, for the benefit of the widow of the late V. C. Pereira, Assistant Turnkey, Victoria Gaol.

The Trustees will be empowered to pay the interest only upon this sum to the widow during her life; and upon her death, or re-marriage, to divide the principal among Mr. Pereira's children.

Government House, Hongkong, 29th January, 1889.

(2.)

G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX.

C.S.O. 301 of 1889.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote the sum of Four hundred and Ninety-two Dollars, to defray cost of Praya surveys in front of the Naval Yard and Military Cantonments.

Government House, Hongkong, 2nd February, 1889.

(3.)

G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX.

C.S.O. 155 of 1889.

The Governor recommends the Council to vote the sum of One hundred and thirty-two Dollars, being the salaries of two scavengers for the new Market at Hunghòm, viz.:—

One Scaveng	ger at \$6 p	er month, =	= 5	\$ 72.00
Do.	at \$5	do.,	=	60.00
			9	\$ 132.00

This expenditure was not included in the Establishment of the Sanitary Department when the Board had under consideration the Estimates for 1889.

Government House, Hongkong, 4th February, 1889.

The Colonial Secretary moved that these Votes be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

BYE-LAWS UNDER "THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE, 1887."—The Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table certain Bye-Laws made by the Sanitary Board, under *The Public Health Ordinance*, 1887, dated the 13th February, 1889, and gave notice that at the next meeting he would move their adoption.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR AMENDING THE LAWS RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill, and addressed the Council.

The Surveyor General seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Council then went into Committee on the Bill.

Progress reported at clause 91.

Clauses 1, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 25, 27, 30, 36, 37, 38, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 67, 68, 80 (sub-section 6), 87, 88, 89, 90, and the Schedules, were postponed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned to Thursday, the 7th instant, at 4 p.m.

G. WILLIAM DES VOEUX, Governor:

Read and confirmed, this 7th day of March, 1889.

ARATHOON SETH, Clerk of Councils.