LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 5.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1890.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT

(The Honourable Francis Fleming, C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Acting Colonial Secretary, (WALTER MEREDITH DEANE).

- the Acting Attorney General, (Andrew John Leach).
- ,, the Colonial Treasurer, (ALFRED LISTER).
- ,, the Surveyor General, (SAMUEL BROWN).
- ,, the Acting Registrar General, (Norman Gilbert Mitchell-Innes, vice the Honourable Walter Meredith Deane).
- . Phineas Ryrie.
- .. ALEXANDER PALMER MACEWEN.
- .. CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.
- " JAMES JOHNSTONE KESWICK, (vice the Honourable JOHN BELL-IRVING).
- , Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 5th instant, were read and confirmed.

Votes referred to the Finance Committee.—Read the following Minutes by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government:—

(1.)

F. FLEMING.

C.S.O. 542 of 1890. \$90.

The Officer Administering the Government recommends the Council to vote the sum of Ninety Dollars, as an allowance for a Chinese teacher to the Head Mistress of the Central School for Girls at \$10 per month from 1st April to 31st December, 1890.

Government House, Hongkong, 11th March, 1890.

(2.)

F. FLEMING.

C.O. Desp. 2 of 1890. \$3,000. The Officer Administering the Government recommends the Council to vote the sum of Three thousand Dollars, being an increase to the salary of the Attorney General, from \$4,800 to \$7,800 per annum, who will not be allowed private practice or receive fees in connection with the Registration of Trade Marks or fees for any other service, these fees will revert to the Treasury.

Government House, Hongkong, 11th March, 1890.

(3)

F. FLEMING.

C.S.O. 295 of 1890 \$735

The Officer Administering the Government recommends the Council to vote the sum of Seven hundred and Thirty-five Dollars, for the employment of an Inspector of Nuisances for Kowloon district. From 1st April to 31st December, 1890, viz.:—

Salary at \$60 per month,	\$ 540.00
Lodging allowance at \$15 per month,	135.00
Chair Coolies at \$12 per month, for 5 months in summer,	60.00
•	\$ 735.00

Government House, Hongkong, 11th March, 1890.

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

The Treasurer seconded.

His Excellency addressed the Council on the vote for the increase to the Attorney General's salary.

Question—put and passed.

Votes Passed by the Finance Committee.—The Acting Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, dated the 5th instant, (No. 3), and moved that the following vote referred to therein be passed, viz.:—

Mis. Serv. CS.O. Gratuity to the daughter of the late Mr. J. CARNEIRO, Wardmaster in the Civil and Small-pox

The Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Eastern. 49 of 1890

DEFENCES.—The Officer Administering the Government laid on the table a despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the question of the contemplated demand on the Colony for an increased Military Contribution; and addressed the Council.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE NATURALIZATION OF LAM LEUNG SING *otherwise* LAM YUK PAU.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Council then went into Committee on the Bill.

Bill reported with a verbal amendment.

The Acting Attorney General then moved that the Bill be read a third time.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE, 1887.—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of this Bill.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Council then went into Committee on the Bill.

Bill reported without amendment.

The Acting Attorney General then moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

The Honourable Mr. MACEWEN moved that the third reading be postponed, which was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned till Wednesday, the 19th instant, at 3 PM.

F. Fleming, Administering the Government.

Read and confirmed, this 19th day of March, 1890. F. A. HAZELAND, Acting Clerk of Councils.