

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 34.

SATURDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 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, C.M.G.).  
 „ the Acting Attorney General, (EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD).  
 „ the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (HENRY ERNEST WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.).  
 „ the Surveyor General, (SAMUEL BROWN).  
 „ the Acting Registrar General, (NORMAN GILBERT MITCHELL-INNES).  
 „ PHINEAS RYRIE.  
 „ CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.  
 „ JAMES JOHNSTONE KESWICK.  
 „ HO KAI, M.B., C.M.  
 „ THOMAS HENDERSON WHITEHEAD.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 15th December, 1890, were read and confirmed.

The Acting Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Reports of the Finance Committee held on the 5th, 11th and 16th days of December, 1890.

Honourable C. P. CHATER moved that an addendum drawn up by the un-official members of the Council be added to the said Reports.

After discussion it was decided that the reports be referred back to the Finance Committee.

The Acting Attorney General laid on the table the Report of the Law Committee on AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND REGULATE A PENSION FUND FOR WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF PUBLIC OFFICERS OF THE COLONY.

Honourable T. H. WHITEHEAD pursuant to notice asked the following question:—

*Will the Government lay on the table a statement shewing the aggregate amount of Light Dues collected from 1st January to 31st March last, both days inclusive, and from 1st April to 30th November last, also both days inclusive.*

The Acting Colonial Secretary replied.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE FOR THE NATURALIZATION OF LAI SIU TONG."—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE FOR THE NATURALIZATION OF CHOI WAI OTHERWISE CHOI TSUN."—The Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE No. 13 OF 1860, FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CIVIL LIST."—The Acting Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

The Acting Attorney General moved that the consideration of the "THE GAMBLING ORDINANCE, 1890" and "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE LAW RELATING TO BANKRUPTCY" be postponed which was agreed to.

BILL ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND REGULATE A PENSION FUND FOR WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF PUBLIC OFFICERS OF THE COLONY."—The Acting Attorney General moved that the Bill be read a third time.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put—that this Bill do pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned till Monday, the 22nd December, at 11 AM.

F. FLEMING,  
*Officer Administering the Government.*

Read and confirmed, this 22nd day of December, 1890.

F. A. HAZELAND,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*