

26TH APRIL, 1904.

PRESENT:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER
ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT, F. H. MAY,
C.M.G.

HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL VILLIERS
HATTON, C.B. (Commanding the Troops).

Hon. A. M. THOMSON (Acting Colonial
Secretary).

Hon. Sir H. S. BERKELEY (Attorney-General).

Hon. L. A. M. JOHNSTON (Colonial
Treasurer).

Hon. A. W. BREWIN (Registrar-General).

Hon. Captain L. A. W. BARNES-LAWRENCE
R.N. (Harbour Master).

Hon. P. N. H. JONES (Acting Director of
Public Works).

Hon. Sir C. P. CHATER, C.M.G.

Hon. Dr. HO KAI, C.M.G.

Hon. WEI A YUK.

Mr. R. F. JOHNSTON (Clerk of Councils).

FINANCIAL.

The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the
table Financial Minutes (Nos. 24 to 26) and
moved that they be referred to the Finance
Committee.

The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded,
and the motion was agreed to.

The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the
table the Report of the Finance Committee (No.
5) and moved its adoption.

The ACTING COLONIAL TREASURER seconded,
and the motion was agreed to.

PEAK RESERVATION.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the third
reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance for the
Reservation of a Residential Area in the Hill
District.

The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded,
and the motion was agreed to and the Bill
passed.

The Council adjourned *sine die*.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was
held after the Council, the Acting Colonial
Secretary (Hon. A. M. Thomson) presiding.

The following votes were approved:—

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE.

The Officer Administering the Government
recommended the Council to vote a sum of
\$2,000 in aid of the vote, Public Works,
Extraordinary, to meet cost of erecting a public
urinal on the northern side of the hill close to the
upper tram station at the Peak.

TREASURY EXPENSES.

The Officer Administering the Government
recommended the Council to vote a sum of
\$3,280 in aid of the vote, Treasury, for the
following Staff required from 1st May to 31st
December, 1904, to collect Crown Rent, etc., in
the New Territories:—

PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS.

Clerk * at \$600 per annum	= \$400	
2 clerks * at \$480 per annum		
each	= 640	
For Taipo † 2 clerks at \$600 per		
annum each	= 800	
For Taipo † 2 clerks at \$480 per		
annum each	= 640	
		<u>\$2,480</u>

OTHER CHARGES.

Conveyance Allowance	—	
Collector	= \$240	
7 clerks	= 560	
		<u>\$ 800</u>
Total		<u>\$3,280</u>

* Temporary Shroff (\$480) and Assistance (\$144) under vote Treasury not now required.

† Shroff (\$540) under vote Colonial Secretary's Office not now required.

CLEANSING TANKS.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$5,100 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, to meet the cost of supplying and erecting sixteen tanks in Nos. 9 and 10 Health Districts, Victoria.

This was all the business.

