

# HONG KONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

*6th January, 1937.*

## PRESENT:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR (SIR ANDREW CALDECOTT, KT., C.M.G., C.B.E.).

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING THE TROOPS (MAJOR GENERAL A. W. BARTHOLOMEW, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O.).

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (HON. MR. N. L. SMITH).

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (HON. MR. C. G. ALABASTER, O.B.E., K.C.).

THE SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS (HON. MR. R. A. C. NORTH).

THE COLONIAL TREASURER (HON. MR. E. TAYLOR, C.M.G.).

HON. DR. A. R. WELLINGTON, C.M.G. (Director of Medical Services).

HON. MR. R. M. HENDERSON, (Director of Public Works).

HON. COMMANDER G. F. HOLE, R.N. (Retired), (Harbour Master).

HON. MR. T. H. KING, (Inspector General of Police).

HON. SIR HENRY POLLOCK, KT., K.C., LL.D.

HON. MR. J. J. PATERSON.

HON. MR. J. P. BRAGA, O.B.E.

HON. MR. S. W. TSO, C.B.E., LL.D.

HON. MR. T. N. CHAU.

HON. MR. M. K. LO.

HON. MR. S. H. DODWELL.

MR. T. MEGARRY, (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

## ABSENT:—

HON. MR. A. W. HUGHES.

## MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting of Council were confirmed.

### STANDING LAW COMMITTEE.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR.—As this is the first meeting of the Council this year, it is necessary to appoint a Standing Law Committee. I propose to appoint the following members who have agreed to serve:— The Hon. the Attorney General (Chairman), the Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Sir Henry Edward Pollock, KT, K.C., LL.D., the Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, C.B.E., LL.D. and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H.E. the Governor, laid upon the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 12), dated 30th December, 1936, and moved that it be adopted.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and this was agreed to.

### TELECOMMUNICATION AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1937.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Telecommunication Ordinance, 1936."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Upon Council resuming,

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

### HONGKONG GOVERNMENT SERVICE (LEVY ON SALARIES) ORDINANCE, 1937.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make provision for a temporary percentage levy on the salaries of public officers in the Hong Kong Government Service and to provide for the exchange rate at which sterling salaries, when paid in the Colony, are to be converted."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Upon Council resuming,

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

H.E. THE GOVERNOR.—Council stands adjourned *sine die*.

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