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## PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] RICHARD GRAVES MACDONNELL.

By His Excellency SIR RICHARD GRAVES MACDONNELL, Knight, and Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

Whereas the Commands of Her Most Gracious Majesty The QUEEN, conveyed through The Right Honorable Earl GRANVILLE, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, have been received, approving of and confirming the following Ordinance; namely:—

No. 12 of 1868, entitled—*An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, for repealing the "Hongkong Emigration Ordinance, 1867," and for better securing the Health and Protection of Emigrants in Chinese Passenger Ships, clearing from Hongkong:*

Now, therefore, it is hereby declared, that the said Ordinance has been so approved and confirmed, as aforesaid.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Given at Victoria, Hongkong, this 26<sup>th</sup> Day of February, 1869.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF HONGKONG.

No. 8 of 1868.

SATURDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER, 1868.

PRESENT:

His Excellency Major General BRUNKER, Lieutenant-Governor.  
The Honorable the Chief Justice (JOHN SMALE.)  
The Honorable the Colonial Secretary, (JOHN GARDINER AUSTIN.)  
The Honorable the Acting Attorney General (HENRY JOHN BALL.)  
The Honorable the Acting Colonial Treasurer (W. H. ALEXANDER).  
The Honorable WILLIAM KESWICK.  
The Honorable JAMES B. TAYLOR.

ABSENT:

The Honorable the Auditor General (W. H. RENNIE,) and  
The Honorable H. B. GIBB,—absent on leave.

The Council meets this day at Noon, by Special Summons.

The Minutes of the Council hold on the 7<sup>th</sup> Instant, are read and confirmed.

The "Reasonable Offences" Bill is read a 2<sup>nd</sup> time, committed and passed, bearing the Title of,—  
*An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to assimilate the Laws of this Colony respecting Reasonable Offences to the Law of the United Kingdom,*—being "No. 15 of 1868."

His Excellency adjourns the Council at 25 minutes past 12 O'clock.

Read and confirmed, this Twenty-sixth Day of February, 1869.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

RICHARD GRAVES MACDONNELL,  
*Governor.*