

DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL.—The Attorney General moved that the Bill be referred back to the Law Committee.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

ASYLUMS BILL.—The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of Asylums for the Detention, Custody and Care of persons of unsound mind, and others.

The 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 until Thursday, the 28th June, 1906.

M. NATHAN,
Governor.

Read and confirmed this 28th day of June, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 555.—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the KING, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 7 of 1906.—An Ordinance to empower the Governor to grant licences to search for and prove minerals and to grant licences and leases of land for the purpose of working mines and minerals.

Ordinance No. 8 of 1906.—An Ordinance to authorize the construction and maintenance of certain Naval and Military Works upon and over certain portions of the Crown foreshore and sea bed situate upon the Harbour frontage of the City of Victoria, in this Colony.

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M. NATHAN,

Governor.

[29th June, 1906.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :—

1. This Ordinance shall be cited as the Prospecting and Mining Ordinance, 1906. Short title.

2. The Governor-in-Council may, from time to time, at his absolute discretion, and upon such terms and conditions as he thinks fit, grant licence and authority to any person to search for and procure in and from any Crown land specimens of such metals or minerals as may be specified in such licence, whether such land be then held under lease from the Crown or otherwise, provided that no such licence shall be granted for a period longer than six months, renewable or not as to the Governor-in-Council may seem fit. Power to grant prospecting licences.

3. The Governor-in-Council may, from time to time, at his absolute discretion, and upon such terms and conditions as he thinks fit, grant licence and authority to any person to get and carry away in and from any Crown land such metals or minerals as may be specified in such licence whether such land be then held under lease from the Crown or otherwise, provided that no such licence shall be granted for a period longer than one year, renewable or not as to the Governor-in-Council may seem fit. Power to grant Mining licences.

4. It shall be lawful for the Governor to grant and agree to grant, for any term not exceeding seventy-five years (or for such longer term as a Secretary of State may authorise), in the name and on behalf of the King, such leases as may be declared by the Governor-in-Council to be expedient to be granted for the purpose of working such mines, metals or minerals as may be specified in such leases, upon such terms and subject to such conditions as the Governor-in-Council may in each case determine. Power to grant Mining leases.

5. (1.) It shall be lawful for the Governor-in-Council, from time to time, as he may think fit, to make regulations for the purposes of this Ordinance. Such regulations may fix the fees and rents and royalties to be paid in respect of such licences or leases and may provide for the recovery of such fees, rents and royalties. Regulations.

(2.) Such regulations may impose for any breach thereof such penalty not exceeding Two Hundred Dollars as the Governor-in-Council may think fit, and any such penalty may be recovered summarily before a Magistrate, who, in default of payment, may inflict imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding six months.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 28th day of June, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor the 29th day of June, 1906.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Colonial Secretary.

HONGKONG.

No. 8 of 1906.

An Ordinance to authorize the construction and maintenance of certain Naval and Military Works upon and over certain portions of the Crown foreshore and sea bed situate upon the Harbour frontage of the City of Victoria, in this Colony.

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M. NATHAN,

Governor.

[29th June, 1906.]

Be it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Short title. **1.** This Ordinance may be cited as The Naval and Military Works Ordinance, 1906.

Authority to construct and maintain certain works over the foreshore and sea bed. **2.**—(a.) It shall be lawful for the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (hereinafter called the Commissioners) to construct upon and over the Crown foreshore and bed of the sea between Murray Pier and Arsenal Street in Victoria in this Colony the works shown and delineated generally in red colour upon a plan signed by Archibald Deacon Shortridge, Esquire, Superintendent Civil Engineer of such works and countersigned by the Director of Public Works, dated the 12th day of April, 1906 and deposited in the Office of the Director of Public Works.

(b.) The Commissioners may make such alterations in the said works as they may deem expedient so long as such works, so altered, shall not extend beyond the limits shown in red colour on the said plan and marked "Harbour Boundary," Eastern Boundary and Western Boundary respectively.

(c.) During the construction of the said works, such cofferdams, stagings, and other accessory works as may be necessary or convenient for the execution of the said works, may be temporarily constructed and maintained within the limits specified in sub-section (b).

(d.) Such works when constructed may be maintained so long as they may be required for the use of His Majesty's Services.

Duplicate plan. **3.** A duplicate of the said plan signed and countersigned as aforesaid shall be deposited in the Land Registry Office.

Past work legalized. **4.** So far as the said works (including any accessory works) have heretofore been constructed and maintained, such construction and maintenance is hereby validated and legalized, for all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly effected under this Ordinance.

Determination of certain public rights. **5.** All public rights, privileges and easements in, upon, and over such portions of the Crown foreshore and sea bed as are or shall be occupied by the said works, are hereby determined, and shall be deemed to have ceased to exist prior to the commencement of the said works.

Ordinance only to affect works over foreshore and sea bed. **6.** Nothing in this Ordinance shall be deemed to affect the said works except so far as they are upon or over the said foreshore or sea bed.

Saving of rights of the Crown. **7.** Nothing in this Ordinance shall be in derogation of any of the powers or rights of the Crown in respect of the said foreshore or sea bed.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 28th day of June, 1906.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 29th day of June, 1906.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
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