

No. 157.

Order made by the Officer Administering the Government in Council under sections 3 and 4 of the Importation and Exportation Ordinance, 1915, Ordinance No. 32 of 1915, on the 10th day of April, 1919.

Rule 41 of the Rules made by the Governor in Council under the above Ordinance is amended by the insertion of the words "Serbia, Roumania" between the words "Greece" and "Spain" and by the deletion of the word "and" before the word "Morocco" in paragraph (3) thereof and by the addition of the words "and Palestine and Syria, as far north as a line from Alexandretta to Aleppo inclusive, and as far east as the Hejaz railway inclusive, and to all ports in such foreign countries" at the end of the said paragraph.

NOTE 1.—Rule 41 was published in the *Gazette* of the 31st January, 1919.

NOTE 2.—The effect of the above amendment is to permit the exportation to the places mentioned of goods in Class (C) in the Schedule to the rule in question.

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The Schedule to Rule 41 of the rules made by the Governor in Council under the above Ordinance is further amended by the transfer of the headings "Ferro-alloys" "Hemp" and "Paraffin Wax" from Class (B) to Class (C).

NOTE 1.—Rule 41 was published in the *Gazette* of 31st January, 1919.

NOTE 2.—The effect of the above amendment of the Schedule is that the exportation of Ferro-alloys, Hemp, and Paraffin Wax is now prohibited to all destinations in European and Asiatic Russia and in other foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean, except France and French Possessions, Italy and Italian Possessions, Portugal, Belgium, Greece, Serbia, Roumania, Spain, Morocco and Palestine and Syria, as far north as a line from Alexandretta to Aleppo inclusive, and as far east as the Hejaz railway inclusive, and to all ports in such foreign countries. The exportation of Ferro-alloys, Hemp, and Paraffin Wax was formerly prohibited to all non-British destinations.

No. 159.—It is hereby notified that the following society has been exempted by the Officer Administering the Government in Council from registration under the Societies Ordinance, 1911, Ordinance No. 47 of 1911, and its name is hereby added to the List of Exempted Societies, published in Government Notification No. 157 of 1918, under the following heading:—

Social (Chinese).

St. Stephen's College Association.

A. D. BALL,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
10th April, 1919.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**No. 160.****LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 3.**

THURSDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1919.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT
(Mr. CLAUD SEVERN, C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General FRANCIS VENTRIS).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (ARTHUR GEORGE MURCHISON FLETCHER).
 „ the Attorney General, (JOSEPH HORSFORD KEMP, K.C., C.B.E.).
 „ the Colonial Treasurer, (CHARLES McILVAINE MESSER, O.B.E.).
 „ the Director of Public Works, (WILLIAM CHATHAM, C.M.G.).
 „ the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (EDWIN RICHARD HALLIFAX, O.B.E.).
 „ the Captain Superintendent of Police, (EDWARD DUDLEY CORSCADEN WOLFE).
 „ Mr. DAVID LANDALE.
 „ Mr. LAU CHÜ-PAK.
 „ Mr. PERCY HOBSON HOLYOAK.
 „ Mr. HO FOOK.

ABSENT:

„ Mr. HENRY EDWARD POLLOCK, K.C.
 „ Mr. ROBERT GORDON SHEWAN.

The Council met pursuant to summons.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 27th February, 1919, were confirmed.

PAPERS.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following papers:—

Jurors List for 1919.

Return of Excesses on Sub-Heads met by Savings under Heads of Expenditure for the 4th Quarter of 1918.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 11 and 12, and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee:—

No. 11.—Royal Observatory, Typewriter,	\$ 31.55
No. 12.—Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Miscellaneous, Repairing and Coaling Yard for Government Launches,	6,300.00

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 2), dated the 27th February, 1919, and moved its adoption.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

QUESTIONS.—Mr. HOLYOAK asked the following questions, notice of which had been given by Mr. POLLOCK:—

1. Will the Government draw the attention of the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the importance to the Colony of Hongkong of its being made one of the Stations in the proposed Imperial Air Service which is being inaugurated?
2. Will the Government consider the advisability of reserving a large area in the North Western portion of the plain in the middle of which the Sheung Shui Railway Station is situate for the purpose of an Aerodrome?

The Colonial Secretary replied.

NON-FERROUS METAL INDUSTRY BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to restrict temporarily the persons who may engage in business connected with certain non-ferrous metals and metallic ores.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On the motion of the Attorney General, the following amendments were agreed to:—

In section 8, the letter and figure “s. 6” in the marginal note were deleted and the letter and figure “s. 8” substituted therefor.

In section 9, the words “and lead” in the second line were deleted and the words “lead, nickel, aluminium,” were substituted therefor.

In the First Schedule, the words "or a citizen" in the third last line were deleted, and the figures "1918" in the second last line were altered to read "1917".

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with amendments and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

BANKING BUSINESS (PROHIBITED CONTROL) BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to prohibit the carrying on of banking business for the benefit of or under the control of certain persons.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On the motion of the Attorney General, the following amendments were agreed to:—

In section 2, in the definition of "Prohibited person," the words "or a citizen" in the second and third lines were deleted, and the figures "1918" in the fourth line were altered to read "1917".

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with amendments and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

SUMMARY OFFENCES BILL.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Amendment Ordinance, 1918.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LIMITED (CAPITAL CONVERSION) BILL.—Mr. HOLYOAK addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to authorise the Union Insurance Society of Canton Limited to convert its silver capital into gold.

Mr. LAU CHÜ-PAK seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

On Council resuming, Mr. HOLYOAK reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment and moved that it be read a third time.

Mr. LAU CHÜ-PAK seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

CLAUD SEVERN,

Officer Administering the Government.

Confirmed this 10th day of April, 1919.

A. D. BALL,
Clerk of Councils.