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of the Colony of Kenya.

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Minutes of Legislative Council.

FIRST DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 17th day of October, 1923.

The Council assembled at 9 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Present:—

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY (E. B. DENHAM, C.M.G.).
THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL (I. L. O. GOWER).
THE HON. THE TREASURER (R. C. GRANNUM).
THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER (G. V. MAXWELL).
THE HON. THE ACTING PRINCIPAL MEDICAL OFFICER (A. R. PATERSON).
THE HON. THE GENERAL MANAGER, UGANDA RAILWAY (C. L. N. FELLING, C.M.G.).

THE HON. THE COMMISSIONER OF LANDS (H. T. MARTIN).
THE HON. THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE (A. HOLM).
THE HON. THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (H. M. BIRCH).
THE HON. THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (G. WALSH).
THE HON. J. R. ORR (DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION).
THE HON. LT. COL. J. M. LLEWELLYN (OFFICER COMMANDING TROOPS).
THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL (SENIOR COMMISSIONER).
THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE (ASSISTANT COLONIAL SECRETARY).
THE HON. C. E. LAW (ACTING SOLICITOR GENERAL).
THE HON. A. G. BAKER (DIRECTOR OF LAND SURVEYS).
THE HON. LIWALI ALI BIN SALIM, C.M.G., C. B. E.
THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE (CONWAY HARVEY).
THE RIGHT HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY (LORD DELAMERE).
THE HON. MEMBER FOR KENYA (R. B. COLE).
THE HON. MEMBER FOR PLATEAU NORTH (CAPTAIN J. E. CONEY).
THE HON. MEMBER FOR PLATEAU SOUTH (COL. G. C. GRIFFITHS, C.M.G.).
THE HON. MEMBER (PROVISIONAL) FOR UKAMBA (MAJOR J. C. H. GRANT).
THE HON. MEMBER (PROVISIONAL) FOR NAIROBI NORTH (L. A. HOWSE).
THE HON. MEMBER FOR NAIROBI SOUTH (T. A. WOOD).
THE HON. MEMBER FOR MOMBASA (MAJOR R. W. B. ROBERTSON-EUSTACE).
THE HON. MEMBER FOR KIKUYU (W. MACLELLAN WILSON).
THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN.
THE HON. B. S. VARMA.

Absent:—

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE COAST (E. POWYS COBB).
THE HON. J. B. JOSHI.

PRAYER.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

HIS EXCELLENCY administered the Oath of Allegiance to:—

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:—

Edward Brandis Denham, Esq., C.M.G.,
Colonial Secretary.

NOMINATED OFFICIAL MEMBERS:—

Lieutenant-Colonel John Malet Llewellyn,
Officer Commanding Troops.

Geoffry Alexander Stafford Northcote, Esq.,
Assistant Colonial Secretary.

EUROPEAN ELECTED MEMBERS:—

Walter MacLellan Wilson, Esq. (Elected—
Kikuyu).

Leonard Augustus Howse, Esq. (Provisional—
Nairobi North).

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the suspension of Standing Orders in order to proceed to the business of the day without confirmation of the Minutes of the 1922 Session and the Special Session 1923.

THE RIGHT HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY seconded.

The question was put and carried.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR.

HIS EXCELLENCY DELIVERED AN ADDRESS.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the suspension of Standing Orders in order to vary the order of business.

THE RIGHT HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY seconded.

The question was put and carried.

The following papers were laid on the Table:—

- (1) Native Punishment Commission Report.
- (2) Report of Commission of Enquiry on the Divorce and Bastardy Laws.
- (3) Public Health Ordinance, 1921—Notice.
- (4) Master and Servants Ordinance—Native Women Workers. Protection Rules.
- (5) Notice under the Masters and Servants Ordinance.
- (6) Native Labourers Diet Rules, 1921.
- (7) The Master and Servants (Medical Inspection) Rules, 1923.
- (8) Financial Report and Statement for 1922.
- (9) Financial Report by the Hon'ble Treasurer giving notice of a motion on Second Supplementary Estimates, 1923.

- (10) Report of Committee appointed to revise the Rules and Standing Orders of Legislative Council.
- (11) Report of Select Committee appointed to draft proposals in regard to an African Civil Service.

THE HON. TREASURER gave notice that he would propose a motion for the adoption of Second Supplementary Estimates at a later date.

THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE gave notice that he would propose a motion for the adoption of the Revised Standing Rules and Orders at a later date.

THE HON. TREASURER gave notice that he would propose a motion for the adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on the African Civil Service at a later date.

QUESTIONS.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR PLATEAU NORTH asked the questions standing in his name on the Order of the Day.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY replied.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE asked the questions standing in his name on the Order of the Day.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY and the HON. GENERAL MANAGER, UGANDA RAILWAY, replied.

CERTIFICATE OF EMERGENCY.

THE CLERK TO COUNCIL read the Certificate of Emergency under which a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Provide a Sum of Money for the Service of the Year 1924" would be introduced.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the suspension of Standing Orders in order that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Provide a Sum of Money for the Service of the Year 1924" might be introduced and passed through all its stages without due notice having been given.

THE HON. THE TREASURER seconded.

The question was put and carried.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the second reading of the Bill.

THE HON. TREASURER seconded.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved that the Bill be referred to a Special Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. Colonial Secretary (*Chairman*);

The Hon. Treasurer;

The Hon. G. A. S. Northcote;

The Hon. Liwali Ali bin Salim;

and all Unofficial Members of Council.

THE RIGHT HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY seconded.

The question was put and carried.

CERTIFICATE OF EMERGENCY.

THE CLERK TO COUNCIL having read a Certificate of Emergency,

THE HON. GENERAL MANAGER, UGANDA RAILWAY, moved the suspension of Standing Orders in order that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Provide a further Sum of Money for the Service of the year,

January 1st, 1924, to December 31st, 1924," might be passed through all its stages without due notice having been given.

THE HON. TREASURER seconded.

The question was put and carried.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. GENERAL MANAGER, UGANDA RAILWAY, moved that the Bill be read a second time.

THE HON. TREASURER seconded.

THE HON. GENERAL MANAGER, UGANDA RAILWAY, moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the clauses of the Bill.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Provide a further Sum of Money for the Service of the year, January 1st, 1924, to December 31st, 1924" had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. GENERAL MANAGER, UGANDA RAILWAY, moved that the Bill be read a third time and passed.

THE HON. TREASURER seconded.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL, in pursuance of notice given, moved that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance, 1921," be read a first time.

THE HON. C. E. LAW (Acting Solicitor General) seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER, in pursuance of notice given, moved that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Preserve Mango and other Food Producing Trees" be read a first time.

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, in pursuance of notice given moved that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Electric Power Ordinance 1919" be read a first time.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL, in pursuance of notice given, moved that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for the Substitution of Imprisonment for Transportation under the Indian Penal Code" be read a first time.

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER, in pursuance of notice given, moved that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for the Control of Sugar and Sugar Juices" be read a first time.

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER, in pursuance of notice given, moved that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend Further the Law Relating to Masters and Servants and in particular to Regulate the Residence of Native Families on areas outside Native Reserves" be read a first time.

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the suspension of Standing Orders in order that Council might reassemble at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 24th October.

THE RIGHT HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY seconded.

The question was put and carried.

The Council adjourned till 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 24th October.

SECOND DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 4th day of October, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON'BLE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS
THE HON'BLE MEMBER FOR THE COAST.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

QUESTIONS.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR KIKUYU asked the question standing in his name on the Order of the Day.

THE HON. ACTING PRINCIPAL MEDICAL OFFICER replied.

MOTIONS.

THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE proposed that Council resolve itself into Committee of the whole

Council to consider the Revised Standing Rules and Orders.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR KENYA seconded.

The Council resolved itself into Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

The Council adjourned in Committee at 1 p.m.

THIRD DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 25th day of October, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON'BLE MEMBER FOR THE COAST.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider further the Revised Standing Rules and Orders.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR KENYA seconded.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

Progress was reported.

The Council resumed its sitting.

THE HON. TREASURER moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the Second Supplementary Estimates 1923.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR NAIROBI SOUTH seconded.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

The Second Supplementary Estimates were read clause by clause and returned unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

THE HON. TREASURER moved that the Second Supplementary Estimates 1923 be adopted.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR NAIROBI SOUTH seconded.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. TREASURER introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Estate Duty Ordinance 1918."

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. TREASURER gave notice that he would move the second reading of the Bill at a later date.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance further to Amend the Maintenance Orders Enforcement (Amendment) Ordinance 1923.

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later date.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance further to Amend the Liwalis Courts Ordinance 1921."

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later date.

THE HON. TREASURER introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Fish Protection Ordinance 1908."

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.
The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. TREASURER gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later date.

THE HON. COMMISSIONER OF LANDS introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Game Ordinance 1921."

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.
The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. COMMISSIONER OF LANDS gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later date.

THE HON. TREASURER introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Supply a further Sum of Money for the Service of the year ended 31st December, 1922."

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.
The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. TREASURER gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later date.

THE HON. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Agricultural Produce Export Ordinance 1921."

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.
The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later date.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER introduced and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Consolidate and Amend the Law relating to Trespass."

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.
The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later date.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL read the Report of the Select Committee of Council on the Civil Procedure Ordinance, 1922.

THE HON. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE read the Report of the Select Committee of Council appointed to report on the Coconut Industry.

THE HON. COMMISSIONER OF LANDS read the Report of the Select Committee of Council appointed to consider the Travel and Access Roads Ordinance.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance 1921."

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.
The question was put and carried.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later date.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Preserve Mango and other Food-producing Trees."

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.
The question was put and carried.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved that Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN recorded that he was opposed to the principle of the Bill.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later date.

THE HON. ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Amend the Electric Power Ordinance 1919."

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.
The question was put and carried.

THE HON. ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS moved that Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

THE HON. ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later date.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for the Substitution of Imprisonment for Transportation under the Indian Penal Code."

THE HON. MEMBER FOR NAIROBI SOUTH seconded.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that Council resolve itself into Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR NAIROBI SOUTH seconded.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

The question that Clause 2 of the Bill should stand as printed was put and carried by 18 votes to 6.

The Bill was returned to Council unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later date.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for the Control of Sugar and Sugar Juices."

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m. on October 26th.

FOURTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 26th day of October, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. A. G. BAKER (DIRECTOR OF LAND SURVEYS).

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE COAST.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the suspension of Standing Orders to vary the order of business in order to proceed with the debate on a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for the Control of Sugar and Sugar Juices."

The question was put and carried.

The following spoke:—

The Hon. Member for the Lake.

The Hon. Member for Kikuyu.

The Rt. Hon. Member for Rift Valley.

The Hon. Member for Ukamba.

The Hon. F. S. F. Traill.

The Hon. Member for Plateau North.

The Hon. Shams-ud-Deen.

The Hon. G. A. S. Northcote.

The Hon. Member for Plateau North.

The question that the Bill be read a second time was put and carried.

THE HON. CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. Chief Native Commissioner

(Chairman).

The Hon. F. S. F. Traill.

The Hon. C. E. Law.

The Hon. Member for Ukamba.

The Hon. Member for Kikuyu.

The Hon. Shams-ud-Deen.

THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN moved that the Hon. Member for the Lake should also be a member of the Select Committee. This amendment was accepted by the Hon. Mover.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for Procedure in Civil Courts."

In Committee.

Progress was reported.

The Council resumed its sitting.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m. Monday, 29th of October.

FIFTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 29th day Of October, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR UKAMBA.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Apply a Sum of Money for the Service of the year ending the 31st day of December, 1924."

THE HON. TREASURER seconded.

The question was put and carried.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

In Committee.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE moved:—

"That the estimates for the Prisons Department be reduced by £100 to call attention to the appointment of an officer from another department as Commissioner of Prisons."

The Motion was debated, put and lost.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR NAIROBI SOUTH moved:—

"That the provision for a Chief Sanitary Inspector under the Medical Department vote be deleted."

The Motion was debated, put and lost by 22 votes to 6.

THE HON. B. S. VARMA moved:—

"That the Estimates for the Medical Department be reduced by £100 to call attention to the lack of medical facilities in the area between Nairobi and Mombasa."

The Motion was debated, put and lost.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR KIKUYU moved:—

"That an addition of £3,000 be made to the Medical Department Estimates to provide for grants to Missions for medical work."

The Motion was debated.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m., Tuesday, 30th October, 1923.

SIXTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 30th day of October 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR UKAMBA (SIR NORTHRUP McMILLAN) resumed his seat on returning to the Colony.

THE HON. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (H. L. SIKES) resumed his seat on returning from leave.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

On Motion from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council further to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a Sum of Money for the Service of the year ending December 31st 1924."

In Committee.

On further consideration of the Medical Department vote the Hon. the Colonial Secretary moved that the proposal to apply certain sums of money as medical grants to Missions be referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner,

The Hon. the Principal Medical Officer,

The Hon. Member for Kikuyu.

The Hon. Member for Kenya,

The Hon. Member for Plateau North,

with the Hon. the Colonial Secretary as Chairman.

The question was put and carried.

THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY proposed a Motion in regard to the Technical Education of Natives but later withdrew the Motion on being informed by His Excellency that it was the intention of Government to appoint a Committee to make full recommendations on Technical Education after reports have been received from the officers who will examine the various technical schools in the near future.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE moved the deletion of provision for a Veterinary Adviser under the Agricultural Department vote.

The Motion was debated, put and lost.

THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY moved a reduction of £100 in the vote for the Game Department to draw attention to the fact that the recommendation of the Kenya Government in regard to the appointment of an officer to the post of Game Warden had not been followed and that another officer from England had been appointed to the post.

The question was put and lost by 17 votes to 12.

THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY moved that an additional amount of £5,000 be included in Estimates for 1924 to make provision for European Instructors for the Technical Education of Natives.

The Motion was put and carried.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m., Wednesday, 31st October.

SEVENTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 31st day of October, 1923

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the suspension of Standing Orders to vary the order of business.

The Motion was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the

whole Council further to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a Sum of Money for the Service of the year ending December 31st 1924."

In Committee.

The Council adjourned till 10 a.m., on Thursday, 1st November.

EIGHTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 1st day of November, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. THE TREASURER moved the suspension of Standing Orders in order to vary the order of business.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer the Council resolved itself into Committee of the whole Council further to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a Sum of Money for the Service of the year ending 31st December, 1924."

In Committee.

THE HON. THE TREASURER moved that the Bill as amended in Committee be reported to Council.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY reported that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. THE TREASURER gave notice that he would move the third reading of the Bill at a later date.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance, 1921," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Preserve Mango and other Food Producing Trees" was read a third time and passed. (The Hon. Shams-ud-Deen and the Hon. J. B. Joshi objecting).

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Public Works a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Electric Power Ordinance, 1919," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for the Substitution of Imprisonment for Transportation under the Indian Penal Code," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council further to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make Provision for Procedure in Civil Courts."

In Committee.

Progress was reported.

The Council resumed its sitting

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Agricultural Produce Export Ordinance, 1921," was read a second time.

THE HON. THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

THE HON. THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later date.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Law relating to Masters and Servants and in particular to regulate the Residence of Native Families on Areas outside Native Reserves."

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE seconded.

The following spoke.

The Rt. Hon. Member for Rift Valley.

The Hon. Member for the Lake.

The Hon. Member for Plateau North.

The Hon. Member for Nairobi South.

The Hon. Member for Kikuyu.

The Hon. G. A. S. Northcote.

The Hon. Member for the Coast.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of—

The Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner

(Chairman).

The Hon. the Commissioner of Lands.

The Hon. C. E. Law.

The Hon. F. S. F. Traill.

The Rt. Hon. Member for Rift Valley.

The Hon. Member for the Lake.

The Hon. Member for Plateau North.

The Hon. Member for the Coast.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1918," was read a second time.

THE HON. THE TREASURER moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. THE TREASURER gave notice that he would move the third reading of the Bill at a later stage.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance further to amend the Maintenance Orders Enforcement (Amendment) Ordinance, 1923," was read a second time.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later stage.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance further to amend the Liwali's Courts Ordinance, 1921," was read a second time.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the third reading of the Bill at a later stage.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m., Friday, 2nd November.

NINTH DAY.

2nd November
 Held at Nairobi on the ~~15th day of October~~, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.
 THE HON. MEMBER FOR PLATEAU NORTH.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. THE TREASURER proposed a Motion:—

“That this Council hereby approves of the refund of Duty on Films for Bioscopes or Cinematographs in excess of Sh. 1 per 500 linear feet which may have been paid on or after the 27th September, 1922, that is the date of the passing of the Customs Tariff Ordinance, 1922.”

THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE seconded.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. THE TREASURER proposed the following Motion:—

“Be it resolved that this Council approves of the grant of a pension amounting to Shs. 1,287/90 per annum to Ali bin Mohamed Zena, late Foreman in the Public Works Department.”

THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY seconded.

The question was put and carried.

In pursuance of notice given the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner proposed and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance further to amend the Native Hut and Poll Tax Ordinance, 1910.”

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later stage.

THE HON. THE COMMISSIONER OF LANDS moved the second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend the Game Ordinance, 1921.”

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Commissioner of Lands the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. THE COMMISSIONER OF LANDS gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later stage.

THE HON. THE TREASURER moved the second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend the Fish Protection Ordinance, 1908.”

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE seconded.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

Progress was reported.

The Council resumed its sitting.

THE HON. THE TREASURER moved that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of—

The Hon. the Acting Attorney General,
 The Rt. Hon. Member for Rift Valley,
 The Hon. Member for Ukamba,
 The Hon. Col. J. M. Llewellyn,
 The Hon. Member for West Kenya,
 with the Hon. the Treasurer as Chairman.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. THE TREASURER moved the second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to supply a further Sum of Money for the Service of the year ended 31st December, 1922”.

THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE seconded.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was returned to Council unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

THE HON. THE TREASURER gave notice that he would move the third reading at a later stage.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved the second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to Consolidate and Amend the Law relating to Trespass.”

THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL seconded.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. the Acting Attorney General,
The Hon. the Commissioner of Lands,
The Hon. F. S. F. Traill,
The Rt. Hon. Member for Rift Valley,
and the Honourable Members for the Lake Coast, Kenya, Kikuyu and Nairobi South, with the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner as Chairman.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. G. A. S. Northcote, Council resolved itself into Committee of the whole Council to consider further the Revised Standing Rules and Orders.

In Committee.

The Revised Standing Rules and Orders were returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

In pursuance of notice given the Hon. G. A. S. Northcote moved that the Revised Standing Rules and Orders as amended be adopted.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR KENYA seconded.

The question was put and carried.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m. on Thursday, 8th November.

TENTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 8th day of November, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR. presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. J. R. ORR.
THE HON. C. E. LAW.
THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

HIS EXCELLENCY made a statement on the subject of a proposed Customs Conference.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE asked the two questions standing in his name and the Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR KIKUYU moved:—

"That as in the opinion of certain Commissioners of the Native Punishments Commission, the Report, which has been laid on the Table of this Honourable Council, does not reflect, particularly in the summary, the true findings of the Commission on a certain issue, the Report be referred back to the Commission for further consideration. And that a Chairman be appointed in place of His Honour the Chief Justice who is on leave."

After a statement by the Hon. the Colonial Secretary that Government proposed that a memorandum should be drawn up and signed by Members of the Commission stating in what way the summary differed from the findings of the Commission and that this memorandum should be published and bound with the report, the Hon. Mover withdrew his Motion.

THE HON. THE TREASURER moved:—

"That pursuant to the provisions of Section 2 of the Colonial Treasury Bills Ordinance, 1922, this Honourable Council do hereby authorize His Excellency the Governor to request the Crown Agents for the Colonies to borrow by the issue in London of Kenya Government Treasury Bills a sum not exceeding in the whole £2,400,000 and the said Crown Agents are hereby authorized out of the proceeds of the £3,000,000 loan to be raised under the provisions of the Specific Loan Ordinance, 1922, immediately on flotation, to repay any Bills so issued."

THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Estate Duty Ordinance 1918," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance further to amend the Maintenance Orders Enforcement (Amendment) Ordinance, 1923," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance further to amend the Liwali's Courts Ordinance, 1914," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to supply a Sum of Money for the Service of the year ended 31st December, 1922" was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Agricultural Produce Export Ordinance, 1921," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Fish Protection Ordinance, 1908."

In Committee.

The Bill was returned to Council unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

THE HON. THE TREASURER gave notice that he would move the third reading of the Bill at a later date.

After a Certificate of Emergency had been read the Hon. the Director of Agriculture moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make better provision for the Protection and Improvement of the Coconut Industry" might be passed through all its stages without due notice.

The Bill was read a first time.

The question for the second reading of the Bill was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

Progress was reported.

The Council resumed its sitting.

After a Certificate of Emergency had been read the Hon. the Director of Agriculture moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to Impose a Tax on Cotton" to be passed through all its stages without due notice.

The Bill was read a first time.

The question for the second reading of the Bill was put and carried by 13 votes to 10.

THE HON. THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE moved that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. the Acting Attorney General,

The Hon. the Treasurer,

The Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner,

The Rt. Hon. Member for Rift Valley,

The Hon. Member for Nairobi South,

with the Hon. the Director of Agriculture as Chairman.

The question was put and carried.

After a Certificate of Emergency had been read the Hon. the Acting Attorney General moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to make certain necessary Amendments in the Laws of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya and for the inclusion of such amendments in a Revised Edition" to be passed through all its stages without due notice.

The Bill was read a first time.

The Hon. the Acting Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill.

THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m., Friday the 9th of November, 1923.

ELEVENTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 9th day of November, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. J. R. ORR.

THE HON. C. E. LAW.

THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer the question that the report of the Select Committee on the Native Civil Service be adopted, was put and carried.

THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR THE RIFT VALLEY moved:—

"That in view of the recrudescence of Stock thefts after the excellent state of affairs which prevailed a few years ago, steps forthwith be taken to enquire into the failure to collect fines under the Stock and Produce Theft Ordinance and to stop a state of affairs which is hampering the stock industry and is bad for the natives."

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR PLATEAU SOUTH moved:—

"That in the opinion of this Honourable Council, Government should sympathetically consider the removal of quarantine restrictions so as to allow the free movement of cattle between Plateau North, Plateau South and Elgeyo, North Kavirondo and Nandi Reserves."

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR MOMBASA moved:—

"That it is the opinion of this Honourable Council that, in the view of the increased trade which will arise through the opening up of new

producing areas by the extensions, both actual and proposed, to the present Railway system, Government should consider the necessity of constructing two additional deep water berths with the relative shed accommodation."

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Commissioner of Lands a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the Game Ordinance, 1921," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the Fish Protection Ordinance," was read a third time and passed.

On Motion for the Hon. the Director of Agriculture, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to make provision for Maintaining and Improving the Coconut Industry."

In Committee.

Progress was reported.

The Council resumed its sitting.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m., Monday, 12th November, 1923.

TWELFTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 12th day of November, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE laid on the table a report on the Live Stock Industry.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR MOMBASA moved:—

“That in the opinion of this Honourable Council, Government should take steps to aid the development of the Fishing Industry in this country, by having a survey made of the fishing areas and the formation of a Fisheries Board.”

THE HON. MEMBER FOR UKAMBA seconded.

The question was put and carried.

After a Certificate of Emergency had been read the Hon. the Director of Agriculture moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to make provision for Maintaining and Improving the quality of Cotton in the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya,” to be passed through all its stages without due notice.

The Bill was read a first time.

The question for the second reading was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture the Bill was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Council further to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to make better provision for the Protection and Improvement of the Coconut Industry.”

In Committee.

The Bill was returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture the Bill was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to Impose a Tax on Cotton.”

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

On Motion from the Hon. the Director of Agriculture the question for the third reading was put and carried by 18 votes to 11.

On Motion from the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to make provision for the Control of Sugar and Sugar Juices.”

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

Standing Orders having been suspended the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner moved that the Bill be read a third time and passed.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved the second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance further to amend the Native Hut and Poll Tax Ordinance, 1910.”

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.

After debate, consideration of the Bill was postponed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to make certain necessary amendments in the Laws of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya and for the inclusion of such amendments in a Revised Edition,” was read a second time.

On Motion from the Acting Attorney General the Bill was referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. C. E. Law,
The Hon Member for Plateau North,
The Hon. Member for Nairobi South,
The Hon. B. S. Varma,

with the Hon. the Acting Attorney General as Chairman.

THE HON. COL. J. M. LLEWELLYN moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the Organisation of the European Inhabitants of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya for the Defence Thereof."

THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY seconded.
The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. Col. J. M. Llewellyn the Bill was referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,
The Hon. the Acting Attorney General,
The Rt. Hon. Member for Rift Valley,
The Hon. Member for Plateau North,
The Hon. Member for Nairobi South,
The Hon. Member for Kenya,
The Hon. Member for the Lake,

with the Hon. Col. J. M. Llewellyn as Chairman.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m., Tuesday the 13th November, 1923.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 13th day of November, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. GENERAL MANAGER UGANDA RAILWAY.
THE HON. COMMISSIONER OF LANDS.
THE HON. F. S. F. TRAILL.
THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE.
THE HON. A. G. BAKER.
THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

THE HON. B. S. VARMA asked the question standing in the name of the Hon. Shams-ud-Deen, the latter being absent. The Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

THE HON. B. S. VARMA asked the question standing in his name, the Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR MOMBASA asked the question standing in his name and the Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Legislative Council (Amendment) Bill and the Immigrants Regulation and Employment Bill would be introduced into Council at the December Session.

Council adjourned sine die.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 31st day of December, 1923.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. GENERAL MANAGER UGANDA RAILWAY.
THE HON. G. A. S. NORTHCOTE.
THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY.
THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE COAST.
THE HON. MEMBER FOR KIKUYU.
THE HON. MEMBER FOR UKAMBA.
THE HON. B. S. VARMA.
THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN.
THE HON. J. B. JOSHI

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

HIS EXCELLENCY announced that the Legislative Council (Amendment) Bill would be introduced into Council on Thursday the 3rd of January and that the Immigration Bill would be postponed to allow the Government of India time to consider the provisions of the Bill.

THE HON. THE TREASURER laid on the table the 3rd Supplementary Estimates 1923 and gave notice that he would propose a motion for their adoption at a later date.

THE HON. THE TREASURER laid on the table a statement of Unforeseen Expenditure for the period ending 31st March, 1923, and gave notice that he would propose a motion for its adoption at a later date.

THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table a Return showing details as to State telegrams.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER laid on the table the Report of the Select Committee on the Masters and Servants (Amendment) Ordinance.

THE HON. COL. J. M. LLEWELLYN laid on the table the Report of the Select Committee on the Defence Force Ordinance.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE asked the question standing in his name on the Order of the Day and the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner replied.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR MOMBASA asked the question standing in his name and the Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR THE LAKE asked the question standing in his name and the Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY moved that the Appropriation Bill be recommitted.

THE HON. THE TREASURER seconded.

The question was put and carried on the voices.

In Committee.

The question for the increase of item 1, Head XI of Estimates from £900 to £1,000 was put and carried on the voices.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a Sum of Money for the Service of the year ending December 31st,

1924," had been recommitted and had passed through Committee with one amendment.

On Motion from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary the Bill was read a third time and passed.

After a Certificate of Emergency had been read the Hon. the Commissioner of Customs moved the suspension of Standing Orders to allow a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to Consolidate and Amend Customs Tariffs" to pass through all its stages without due notice.

THE HON. THE TREASURER seconded.

The question was put and carried.

The Bill was read a first time.

On second reading of the Bill, the Hon. the Commissioner of Customs moved that Council resolve itself into Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee unamended.

On Motion from the Hon. the Commissioner of Customs the Bill was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary Standing Orders were suspended to enable Council to adjourn and reassemble on 10 a.m., on Thursday, 3rd of January.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 3rd day of January, 1924.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS.
THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY.
THE HON. MEMBER FOR KIRUYU.
THE HON. B. S. VARMA.
THE HON. SHAMS-UD-DEEN.
THE HON. J. B. JOSHI.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened the Council with Prayer.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the 3rd Supplementary Estimates.

In Committee.

The Estimates were read item by item and returned to Council unamended.

The Council resumed its sitting.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer the question for the adoption of the 3rd Supplementary Estimates was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Treasurer the question for the adoption of the statement of Unforeseen Expenditure for the quarter ending 31st March, 1923, was put and carried.

A Certificate of Emergency having been read, the Hon. the Colonial Secretary moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Legislative Council Ordinance, 1919," to pass through all its stages without due notice.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

On second reading of the Bill the Hon. the Colonial Secretary moved that Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

On Motion from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary the Bill was read a third time and passed.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL proposed and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Criminal Procedure Ordinance, 1913."

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later stage of the session.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL proposed and moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make provision for giving effect to Article 438 of the Treaty of Peace with Germany as to the Property of Christian Religious Missions formerly maintained by Germans in the Colony."

THE HON. THE COMMISSIONER OF LANDS seconded.

The Bill was read a first time.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would move the second reading at a later stage of the session.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council further to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make provision for Procedure in Civil Courts."

In Committee.

The Bill was returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice of third reading at a later stage of the session.

On Motion from the Hon. Col. J. M. Llewellyn, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled

"An Ordinance to provide for the Organization of the European Inhabitants of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya for the Defence Thereof."

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. COL. J. M. LLEWELLYN gave notice of third reading at a later stage of the session.

On Motion from the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Law relating to Masters and Servants and in particular to regulate the Residence of Native Families on areas outside Native Reserves."

In Committee.

Progress was reported.

The Council resumed its sitting.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make certain necessary amendments in the Laws of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya and for the inclusion of such amendments in a Revised Edition."

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice of third reading at a later stage of the session.

Council adjourned till 10 a.m., Friday, 4th of January, 1924.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

Held at Nairobi on the 4th day of January, 1924.

The Council assembled at 10 a.m., HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR presiding.

Absent:—

THE HON. COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS.
THE RT. HON. MEMBER FOR RIFT VALLEY.
THE HON. MEMBER FOR KIKUYU.

HIS EXCELLENCY opened Council with Prayer.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR MOMBASA asked the question standing in his name on the Order of the Day and the Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

THE HON. MEMBER FOR NAIROBI NORTH asked the question standing in his name on the Order of the Day and the Hon. the Colonial Secretary replied.

Standing Orders having been suspended, the Hon. the Treasurer moved:—

"That this Honourable Council approves the grant of a Pension at the rate of £200-17-0 a year to the Widow of the late Mr. F. W. Major, C.M.G., I.S.O., as from the date of his death, namely 7th August, 1923, such pension to cease in the event of remarriage."

THE HON. MEMBER FOR UKAMBA seconded.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make provision for Procedure in Civil Courts" was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. Col. J. M. Llewellyn a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the Organization of the European Inhabitants of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya for the Defence thereof" was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make certain amendments in the Laws of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya and for the inclusion of such amendments in a Revised Edition" was read a third time and passed.

On Motion from the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council further to consider the provisions of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the law relating to Masters and Servants and in particular to regulate the Residence of Native Families on areas outside Native Reserves."

In Committee.

The Bill was returned to Council with certain amendments.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with certain amendments.

THE HON. THE CHIEF NATIVE COMMISSIONER moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable the Bill to be read a third time.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Chief Native Commissioner the Bill was read a third time and passed.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make provision for giving effect to Article 438 of the Treaty of Peace with Germany as to the Property of Christian Religious Missions formerly maintained by Germans in the Colony."

THE HON. THE COMMISSIONER OF LANDS seconded.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with one amendment.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with one amendment.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable the Bill to be read a third time.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General the Bill was read a third time and passed.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Criminal Procedure Ordinance, 1913."

THE HON. C. E. LAW seconded.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General, Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Council to consider the provisions of the Bill.

In Committee.

The Bill was read clause by clause and returned to Council with one amendment.

The Council resumed its sitting.

HIS EXCELLENCY informed Council that the Bill had passed through Committee with one amendment.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable the Bill to be read a third time.

THE HON. THE COMMISSIONER OF LANDS seconded.

The question was put and carried.

On Motion from the Hon. the Acting Attorney General the Bill was read a third time and passed.

A Certificate of Emergency having been read the Hon. the Acting Attorney General moved the suspension of Standing Orders to enable a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Nairobi (Rating of Unimproved Site Values) Ordinance, 1921 and the Nairobi (Rating of Unimproved Site Values) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1922," to be passed through its several stages without due notice.

THE HON. THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS seconded.

The question was put and carried.

THE HON. THE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL introduced and moved the first reading of the Bill.

The Bill was read a first time.

The question for the second reading having been put and carried the Hon. the Acting Attorney General moved that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, *Chairman.*

The Hon. the Acting Attorney General.

The Hon. the Treasurer.

The Hon. F. S. F. Traill.

The Hon. Member for Nairobi North.

The Hon. Member for Nairobi South.

The question was put and carried.

Council adjourned *sine die.*