British Guiana.

FIRST

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND SESSION.

RESOLUTION No. XXVII.

Whereas Resolution No. XLI. of 1927 of the Combined Court provided for the establishment of a Forest Trust; and

Whereas the Ordinance enacted under authority of such a resolution removes from the control of the Legislative Council the Expenditure of the Forest Trust; and

WHEREAS it is no longer desirable that the expenditure on the Colony's Forests should be fixed in perpetuity irrespective of the financial exigencies of Colonial Revenues:

Be it Resolved,—That the Officer Administering the Government be respectfully requested to direct the Urown Law Officers to bring in an amending bill to Ordinance No. 29 of 1927 repealing sections Nos. 30 and 31 of the said Ordinance and substituting therefor the following:—

- "30.—(1) In pursuance of a Resolution of the Combined Court No. XLI. "dated the thirteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, there "shall be appropriated from general revenue such contributions to Forest "Trust Funds as may be voted in each financial yearly motion in the Legis-"lative Council, and in addition in any financial year when the forest revenue "exceeds fifty thousand dollars, such further sums as may be decided upon "by the Legislative Council until a maximum of fifty per centum of such "excess revenue has been reached.
- "(2) In this section 'Forest Revenue' includes all revenue received in "respect of forest produce, whether as royalties, rents, licences, fees, permissions, registrations, or in any other way with the exception of export tax, and also such other revenue as the Governor-in-Council may from time to time with the approval of the Legislative Council, determine to be general "forest revenue.
- "31. The Trust shall, on or before the first day of August in each year, prepare and submit to the Governor-in-Council a statement of the estimates of expenditure to be incurred for a period of one year commencing from the first day of January next ensuing. The estimates as approved by the Governor-in-Council shall thereafter be presented to the Legislative Council for their approval and the Estimates annually so prepared and approved shall be the revenue appropriations of the Forest Trust."

Passed by the Legislative Council this 21st day of January, 1930.

M. B. LAING, Clerk of the Council.

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