

An Ordinance to provide for the reduction in certain places of the minimum Rates payable for maintenance of Police.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the reduction in certain cases of the minimum rate payable for the maintenance of the Police: **IT IS HEREBY ENACTED BY THE GOVERNOR OF CEYLON**, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :—

Minimum rates may be reduced in certain places from Two Shillings to Fifty Cents.

This Ordinance and "Police Ordinance, 1865," to be deemed one.

Commencement of Ordinance.

1. **IT** shall be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, to reduce, in any place where a Police Force is now or may hereafter be stationed, the minimum rate payable to meet the expenses defrayable by the inhabitants of such place for the maintenance of such Police force, from the sum of Two Shillings yearly to Fifty Cents, if, owing to the poverty of the inhabitants or any other cause, such reduction shall appear to them reasonable. The rate, where such reduction is made, shall be assessed and payable half-yearly, and not quarterly.

2. **THIS** Ordinance and "*The Police Ordinance, 1865,*" shall be read and construed as if they formed one Ordinance.

3. **THIS** Ordinance shall come into effect on the First day of January, 1872.

Passed in Council, the Eighteenth day of December, One thousand Eight hundred and Seventy-one.

JAMES SWAN,
Clerk to the Council.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the Nineteenth day of December, One thousand Eight hundred and Seventy-one, and published by his order.

HENRY T. IRVING,
Colonial Secretary.
