

upon be punished as if convicted on an Information charging them with being such Accessories, and shall not be subject to any greater or other punishment in that behalf; and they shall not be afterwards prosecuted in respect thereof.

Joinder of offences
in one information.

VI. Defendants may be charged with different Felonies and Misdemeanors, or with different Felonies or Misdemeanors in the same Information where the person thereby injured is one and the same person, or where the several offences so charged constitute or relate to one and the same transaction.

Jurisdiction over
offences on the high
seas, &c., how alleged.

VII. In an Information for a Felony or Misdemeanor committed on the High Seas or in Foreign parts, the allegation that the party injured was at the time of the offence charged in the peace of the Queen shall be a sufficient allegation of the jurisdiction of the Court to hear and determine it.

Prisoners' stato-
ments on oath.

VIII. A Written Statement purporting to have been made upon Oath by a person under examination upon a Criminal Charge may be received in evidence against such person, if proof be given that it was in fact made by him not upon oath.

Limitation of the
rule excluding con-
fessions under induc-
ement.

IX. No Promise or Threat shall operate to exclude a defendant's Confession from being received in evidence against such defendant upon his trial for Felony or Misdemeanor, unless such promise or threat shall have been made or held out to such defendant by one having some authority over him in connection with or relation to the prosecution of such offence.

Extension of the 13
& 14 Vict. c. 21. to this
Colony and to Ordin-
ances of the Legisla-
tive Council.

X. The Act of Parliament passed in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Twenty One, for shortening the language used in Acts of Parliament, is hereby for all purposes extended to this Colony; and the rules of construction by the said Act provided shall extend and apply to all Acts of Parliament, and Ordinances of the Legislative Council of this Colony, now in force or hereafter to come in force within the same.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong,
this 17th Day of March, 1856.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO,
Clerk of Councils.

JOHN BOWRING.

HONGKONG.

ANNO DECIMO NONO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. 7 of 1856.

By His Excellency SIR JOHN BOWRING, Knight, LL.D., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of the Trade of British Subjects in China, with the advice of the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

Title.

An Ordinance to extend to this Colony certain Enactments and General Orders for reforming Procedure in the High Court of Chancery and the Offices thereof.

Preamble.

Whereas it is desirable that sundry important Reforms in the Administration of Equity Proceedings be adopted in this Colony: Be it enacted and ordained by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

[17th March, 1856.]

Acts of Parliament
and Orders in Chan-
cery extended to Hong-
kong.

I. Subject to the Provisions hereinafter contained, the several Enactments of the Imperial Parliament specified in Schedule A to this Ordinance annexed, and also the several Orders of the High Court of Chancery of Great Britain specified in Schedule B to this Ordinance also annexed, shall (to the extent in the said two Schedules respectively defined, but not otherwise) extend to and come into force and effect within this Colony from the time of the passing of this present Ordinance.

To be construed with
the Ordinance No. 5 of
1856.

II. This Ordinance and the Ordinance No. 5 of 1856, entitled "An Ordinance for the Amendment of Procedure in Civil and Criminal Cases," shall be so read and construed together as shall best conduce to the particular effect of each Ordinance and of the Provisions thereby respectively extended to this Colony.

The Seal of the
Court, its Judges, and
its Officers, to be with-
in the meaning of the
extended Provisions.

III. For the purposes of this Ordinance, the words "Great Seal" in the said Enactments and Orders, respectively so extended to this Colony, shall be interpreted to include the Seal of the Supreme Court of this Colony, and all the Provisions thereof which respect the Lord Chancellor, or the Court of Chancery, or any Superior Court of Equity, or any Judge in England, shall be interpreted to include the said Supreme Court in Equity and the Judges thereof, and every Officer (howsoever designated) of the said Supreme Court, or Judge thereof having or exercising functions of the like kind or analagous to the functions of any Officers (howsoever designated) of the said Lord Chancellor, Court of Chancery, Superior Courts of Equity, or Judges in England, shall be deemed to be within the meaning of any of the Provisions of such Enactments or Orders respecting such last mentioned Officers.

Rules for the Inter-
pretation of the exten-
ded Enactments and
Orders.

IV. In the interpretation of the Enactments and Orders hereby extended to this Colony, the following Rules shall be observed within the same.

1. Enactments and
Orders are of equal
authority.

1. The authority and force of an Order are equal to the authority and force of an Enactment.

2. Subsequent Enac-
tments or Orders
to abrogate preceding
ones, in case of appa-
rent repugnance.

2. Except in the cases specified in Division 3 of this Section, every Enactment or Order which shall appear to be wholly or partially repugnant to or inconsistent with some previous Enactment or Order, shall be deemed to have abrogated the same *pro tanto*.

3. Except in the
case of Enactments,
&c., relating to Mas-
ters in Ordinary or
Lunacy.

3. Every Enactment or Order for regulating the performance of the Powers or Duties of a Master in Ordinary or of a Master in Lunacy passed or promulgated subsequently to the passing of the Act of Parliament of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth years of the present Queen, chapter Eighty, and the promulgation of the General Orders for giving effect to the same, shall be so construed as to enable a Judge in Court or in Chambers to exercise and perform the said Powers and Duties within this Colony as nearly as circumstances will permit in the stead of any such Masters respectively.

4. Provisions respect-
ing printed or stamped
proceedings to apply
to written and unstam-
ped proceedings.

4. All Provisions contained in any Enactment or Order respecting the Printing of Bills and Claims, or Portions of Bills and Claims, or respecting the Stamping or Affixing of Stamps on Vellum, Parchment, or Paper to be used in Proceedings in Chancery, are abrogated, and all Provisions contained in any Enactment or Order respecting the filing Copying Service, or effect of any printed or partially printed Bill or Claim, or any proceedings, Written, Printed, or Engrossed on Stamped Vellum, Parchment, or Paper, shall be respectively interpreted to apply to Bills or Claims in Writing or to Proceedings Written on Unstamped Vellum, Parchment, or Paper, as the case may be.

Supreme Court to
make Rules &c.

V. The Supreme Court is authorised to make and issue such Rules or Orders for giving effect to this Ordinance as may be found meet.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong,
this 17th Day of March, 1856.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO,
Clerk of Councils.

JOHN BOWRING.

SCHEDULE A (ACTS OF PARLIAMENT) TO WHICH THIS ORDINANCE REFERS.

<i>Date of the Act.</i>	<i>Title or Subject matter of the Act.</i>	<i>How far the Act is hereby extended to this Colony.</i>
7 & 8 Vict. c. 16.	<i>The Companies' Clauses' Consolidation Act 1845.</i>	Section CXXXV (relating to service of Notices, Writs, or other Proceedings at Law or in Equity.)
10 & 11 Vict. c. 96.	<i>Trustees' Relief.</i>	The whole Act.
10 & 11 Vict. c. 97.	<i>Discontinuance of the attendance of Masters in Ordinary in the Public Office.</i>	So much of the Act as is unrepealed by any subsequent Act.
11 & 12 Vict. c. 10.	<i>Oaths and Declarations and Affirmations in Chancery.</i>	So much of the Act as is unrepealed by any subsequent Enactment.
12 & 13 Vict. c. 74.	<i>Trustees' further Relief.</i>	The whole Act.
12 & 13 Vict. c. 109.	<i>Offices of the Court of Chancery.</i>	Sections XXVI to XXXI, both inclusive (relating to Writs and Proceedings.)
13 & 14 Vict. c. 35.	<i>The Delay and Expence of Proceedings in Chancery.</i>	The whole Act (except Section XXXV,) and also the Schedule to which the Act refers.
15 & 14 Vict. c. 60.	<i>The Trustee Act 1850.</i>	The whole Act (except Section LIX.)
15 & 16 Vict. c. 48.	<i>The Property of Lunatics.</i>	Section VI (relating to Receivers.)
15 & 16 Vict. c. 55.	<i>The Trustee Act Extension Act.</i>	The whole Act.
15 & 16 Vict. c. 80.	<i>An Act to abolish the Office of Master in Chancery, &c.</i>	The Sections of the Act numbered respectively I, VII, VIII, XI, XIII, XIV, XV, XIX, XX, XXI, XXIII, XXIV, XXVI, XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIV, XXXV, XXXVI, XXXVII, XXXIX, XL, XLII, XLIII, and LX, (except so much of any Section as relates to the Junior Clerks or to mode of nominating the Conveyancing Counsel.)
15 & 16 Vict. c. 86.	<i>The Practice and Course of Proceeding in the Court of Chancery.</i>	The Sections of the Act numbered respectively from II to VI, both inclusive; from X to XXI, both inclusive; from XXIII to XXIX, both inclusive; and from XXXI to LXII, both inclusive; and Section LXVI; And also the Schedule to which the Act refers.
16 & 17 Vict. c. 70.	<i>The Lunacy Regulation Act 1853.</i>	Sections I and II and XXXVIII, (except the words in Section XXXVIII, "shall, subject to the provision hereinafter contained, be directed to the Masters or one of them;") The Sections numbered respectively from XL to XLIX, both inclusive; Section L, (except the words therein "in addition to the Masters or one of them;") Sections LI and LIV; The Sections numbered respectively from LV to LXIII, both inclusive; from LXVI to LXX, both inclusive; from LXXV to LXXXIX, both inclusive; from XCVIII to C, both inclusive; and from CXIII to CXXXIX, both inclusive; Sections CXLV and CXLVI; And the Sections numbered respectively from CXLVIII to CLI, both inclusive; And Schedules I and III in the said Act referred to.
16 & 17 Vict. c. 78.	<i>Oaths in Chancery and Affidavits.</i>	Sections I, V and VI.
16 & 17 Vict. c. 98.	<i>Relief of Suitors in Chancery.</i>	Sections I, II and III.
16 & 17 Vict. c. 137.	<i>The Charitable Trusts' Act 1853.</i>	Sections XV, XXVIII and XLIII, (except so much as relates to persons authorised by the Board therein mentioned.)
17 & 18 Vict. c. 25.	<i>Industrial and Provident Societies.</i>	Section VII (except so much as requires the Registration of the Societies therein mentioned.)
17 & 18 Vict. c. 100.	<i>Dispatch of Business in the Court of Chancery.</i>	Sections I, II, III and IV.

SCHEDULE B. (GENERAL ORDERS IN CHANCERY,) TO WHICH THIS ORDINANCE REFERS.

<i>Date or Titles of the General Orders.</i>	<i>Subject Matter of the General Orders.</i>	<i>How much of each General Order is hereby extended to Hongkong.</i>
Order of 17 March, 1843.	<i>Enrolment of Decrees and Orders.</i>	The whole, except so much as defines the amount of Office Fees.
Orders of May, 1845.	<i>Practice and Pleading in Equity.</i>	Order I; Order IV, Article 3; Orders numbered from XI to XV, both inclusive; Order XVI, Articles 1, 3, 4, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 41, 45, 46; Orders numbered from XX to XXVII, both inclusive; from XXIX to XXXVI, both inclusive; from XLIII to LVIII, both inclusive; and from LXIII to XC, both inclusive; Orders XCIII, CXIV, CXV, CXVI, CXVIII; and Orders numbered respectively from CXX to CXXVIII, both inclusive; And also the Schedules in the said General Orders referred to and thereunto annexed.
Order of the 31st January, 1846.	<i>Habeas Corpus on taking Bill pro Con-fesso.</i>	The whole Order.
Order of the 13th April 1847.	<i>Amendment.</i>	The whole Order.
Order of the 10th June 1848.	<i>Trustees Relief Act.</i>	The whole of the Orders.
Order of the 10th December 1849.	<i>Taxation of a Pauper's Costs.</i>	The whole Order.
Order of the 22d April 1850.	<i>Practice and Pleading by way of claim in Equity.</i>	Orders I, II, III, VI, VII, VIII and IX; Orders numbered from XI to XVIII both inclusive; Orders XX, XXI, XXII, XXIV, XXV, XXVI, XXVIII, XXIX, XXXI and XXXII; Order XXXIII (except as to Charges, Allowances, and Fees, payable to Solicitors); and Order XXXV; And also Schedules A, B, and C, to the said Orders annexed and therein referred to.
Order of the 3d June, 1850.	<i>References and Warrants.</i>	Orders numbered from I to XI, both inclusive.
Order of the 2d November 1850.	<i>Practice as to Exceptions and Orders of course.</i>	Orders I and II; and Orders numbered from IV to XXVIII, both inclusive.
Order of the 16th July 1851.	<i>Sales under authority of the Court.</i>	The whole of the Orders.
Order of the 7th August 1852.	<i>Appeals; Rehearings, and Enrolments.</i>	The whole of the Orders, except Order VII.
Order of the 7th August 1852.	<i>Pleading and Practice in Equity under the 15 & 16 Vict. c. 86.</i>	Orders numbered from VII to XXX, both inclusive; and from XXXIV to XLVI, both inclusive; and Order XLVIII; And also Schedules B, C, D, and E, to the said Orders annexed and therein referred to.
Order of the 16th October 1852.	<i>Practice in Judges' Chambers in Equity.</i>	Orders I and II; Orders numbered from IV to LIX, both inclusive; and Order LXI; And also the whole of the several Schedules to the said Orders annexed and therein referred to.
Order of the 25th October 1852.	<i>Copies of Proceedings in Equity.</i>	Order I, articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9; and Orders II, III, IV and V.
Order of the 10th November 1852.	<i>Copies of Proceedings and Documents.</i>	The whole Order, except so much as provides that Copies shall be counted after the rate of Ninety Words to the Folio.
Order of the 16th December 1852.	<i>Conveyancing Counsel.</i>	The whole of the Orders.
Order of the 4th March 1853.	<i>Setting down adjourned cause for hearing.</i>	The whole Order, and also the two Schedules thereto annexed and therein referred to.
Order of the 26th July 1853.	<i>Signing of Orders and Certificates.</i>	The whole Order.
Order of the 9th December 1853.	<i>The Charitable Trusts' Act, 1853.</i>	So much only of the Order as authorises proceedings by Summons and the form thereof.
Order of the 1st June, 1854.	<i>Practice under the 15 and 16 Vict. c. 86 and c. 87.</i>	Orders numbered from I to VIII, both inclusive; and from XI to XV, both inclusive.
Order of the 21st June, 1854.	<i>Copies of Pleadings, Proceedings, and Documents.</i>	Order I, except the Reservations therein contained, and also except the provision respecting the Counting and Charging for Figures.
Order of the 13th January 1855.	<i>Examinations, Evidence, and Affidavits.</i>	The whole of the Orders, except Order XI.