

proceedings before Justices of the Peace; And where he or they shall adjudicate any one person to have been guilty of any of the said Nuisances, he or they or any other Justice of the Peace shall, upon the application of the Surveyor General, order him or any other proper officer to abate, demolish, or remove the said Nuisance, and to sell and dispose of the Materials thereof (if any) and out of the monies arising by such sale or disposition (if any) to retain or pay the charges and expenses of or incident to such abatement, demolition, or removal; And the said Magistrate, Justices, or Justice shall order and compel all Persons who shall have been found guilty of any such Nuisance, after such adjudication as aforesaid, to satisfy all charges and expenses of or incident to the abatement, demolition, or removal thereof, and for which no other or no sufficient satisfaction is hereby provided, and shall thereupon, by warrant under his or their Hand and Seal, and Hands and Seals, cause the same to be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the said Persons respectively in case of default in payment.

XVIII. In the event of the insufficiency of any distress to be made under this Ordinance, the house of the defaulter shall be subject and liable to defray the deficiency; and a Stipendiary Magistrate or Justice of the Peace upon the application of the Surveyor General shall by warrant authorize and direct a proper officer to seize and take possession of the said house, and to hold the same until such deficiency shall be defrayed, and all the accruing rents and profits of the said house shall be applied by the said Magistrate or Justice in payment of the said deficiency.

XIX. The Surveyor General and his Officers are authorised to seize any Utensil, which he or they shall detect any person in the act of dipping into any public Tank, or Reservoir; and also all building materials found by him or them deposited or lying upon any public Road, or in the side channels thereof; and all Utensils or Materials so seized may be lawfully confiscated by the Surveyor General, and disposed of as he shall direct.

XX. All existing remedies for the prevention or abatement of Nuisances and the punishment of those guilty thereof shall continue to be in force notwithstanding this Ordinance.

JOHN BOWRING.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong,  
this 16th Day of April, 1856.

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

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Diplomatic Department.

His Excellency SIR JOHN BOWRING, Chief Superintendent of British Trade in China, &c., &c., &c., has received from Mr Consul Robertson at Shanghai, the following Notification, which is now published for the information of all concerned.

By Order,

W. WOODGATE.

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 12th April, 1856.

No. 5.

NOTIFICATION.

SHANGHAI, March 13, 1856.

The undersigned, the Consuls of Great Britain and France, and the Vice-Consul of the United States of America, have to notify, for the information of all under their respective jurisdictions, that His Excellency the Superintendent of Customs has announced to them that henceforth the importation of Saltpetre, Gunpowder, Muskets, Guns, and every kind of Munition of War, is strictly forbidden; and that any infringement of this rule will be followed by seizure of such articles.

[L.S.]	(Signed)	D. B. ROBERTSON, H. B. M. Consul.
[L.S.]	( " )	B. EDAN, H. I. M. Consul.
[L.S.]	( " )	M. W. FISH, Acting U. S. Vice-Consul.

True Copy,

W. WOODGATE.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Diplomatic Department.

His Excellency Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of Trade, &c., &c., &c., having been pleased to allow Mr Vice-Consul Backhouse to proceed to England on Medical Certificate, M. C. MORRISON, Esquire, has been appointed to officiate as Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in Charge at the Port of Amoy.

By Order,

W. WOODGATE.

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 16th April, 1856.

NOTICE.

THE Next CRIMINAL SESSIONS of the SUPREME COURT will be held on FRIDAY, the 23th day of April instant, at 12 o'clock at Noon.

By Order of the Court,

WILLIAM HASTINGS ALEXANDER,  
Acting Registrar.

- In re ANTONIO F. TAXERIA, deceased.
- " MUNGLOO, "
- " CAETANO FERNANDEZ, "
- " MAHOMED ALLI, "
- " THOMAS COTTER, "
- " FOONG AHOAN, "
- " WILLIAM ELLIS, "

NOTICE—All claims against the above Estates must be proved before the OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR, before the 19th day of October, 1856, otherwise they will not be included in the Scheme of Distribution. All persons indebted to the said Estates are requested to make immediate payment to

WILLIAM HASTINGS ALEXANDER,  
Acting Registrar—Official Administrator.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

In the matter of the Insolvency of CHUN-CHIN-POO, late of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the ESTATE and EFFECTS of the above named Insolvent have been vested in WILLIAM HASTINGS ALEXANDER, Acting Registrar of the said Court, and Provisional Assignee of Insolvent Estates.

By the Court,

WILLIAM HASTINGS ALEXANDER,  
Acting Registrar.

NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.  
CAPITAL £1,259,760.

THE undersigned are authorized to grant POLICIES covering Risks from FIRE, on BUILDINGS in this Colony owned by Europeans, though the Premises may be in the occupation of Chinese. They are further authorized to grant POLICIES upon LIVES of EUROPEANS resident in China.

TURNER & Co.,  
Agents in China for the

"Northern Assurance Company."  
Hongkong, 10th April, 1856.

IN THE COURT FOR THE RELIEF OF INSOLVENT DEBTORS AT CALCUTTA.

In the matter of the Asiatic Marine Insurance Office.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by an Order of this Court, bearing date the fifth day of January last, the SHAREHOLDERS of the said ASIATIC MARINE INSURANCE OFFICE are required to pay the several sums respectively assessed upon them by the Official Assignee, at the rate of Rs2000 on each share, on or before the following dates: that is to say, the Shareholders resident in CALCUTTA or the Suburbs thereof on or before the first day of March next; the Shareholders resident in HONGKONG and BOMBAY on or before the third day of May next; and the Shareholders resident in GREAT BRITAIN, and all other places not mentioned in the said Order, on or before the fifth day of July;—and that the Official Assignee will be at liberty to apply that the defaulting Shareholders be adjudged to have committed an Act of Insolvency according to the provisions of the Indian Insolvent Act.

DENMAN, HATCH, & DAVIS,  
Attorneys for the Official Assignee.