

No. 68.

PROCLAMATION.

JOHN BOWRING.

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 Consul Superintendent of the Trade of British Subjects in China.

Whereas the Commands of Her Most Gracious Majesty The QUEEN, conveyed through The Right Honourable Sir EDWARD BULWER-LYTTON, Baronet, M.P., Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, have been received, approving of and confirming the following Ordinances, namely:—

No. 3 of 1858, entitled—

“An Ordinance for the Supreme Court;”

No. 4 of 1858, entitled—

“An Ordinance for Summary Jurisdictions and Appeals to the Supreme Court;”

No. 5 of 1858, entitled—

“An Ordinance for extending to this Colony certain Imperial Enactments, and certain Rules and Orders of the Superior Courts:”—

Now, therefore, it is hereby declared, that the said three Ordinances have been so approved and confirmed as aforesaid.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. T. BRIDGES,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Given at Victoria, Hongkong, this 7th Day of August, 1858.

No. 34.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

WALTER HENRY MEDHURST, Esquire, having returned from Leave of Absence, resumed the duties of his office, as Her Majesty's Consul at the Port of Foochow-foo, on the 27th ultimo.

By Order,

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 5th August, 1858.

G. W. CAINE.

No. 35.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency SIR JOHN BOWRING, Knight, LL.D., Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary, &c., &c., has directed that the accompanying Copy of a Notice received from Her Majesty's Consul at Canton, be published for general information.

By Order,

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 5th August, 1858.

G. W. CAINE.

NOTICE.

The undersigned, Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Canton, having received instructions from His Excellency The Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K.T., Her Majesty's High Commissioner in China, to examine and report upon the Claims of British Subjects or Persons entitled to British protection, specifying the amount which shall appear justly chargeable under the head of “Losses for Property and Goods destroyed during the recent disturbances at Canton, or abandoned in the hands of the Chinese, and still unaccounted for”: It is hereby notified, that the undersigned will forthwith proceed to the verification and examination of the said Claims, at the Office for the British Consulate in the Superintendency at Hongkong; and all Claimants are hereby required to hold themselves in readiness to produce such Evidence as they may deem necessary, or as the case may admit of, for the final substantiation of their claims. Notice is further given that,—in reference to the Government Notification No 16, of 6th April, published in the *Gazette* of April the 10th last, requesting Her Majesty's Subjects without delay to send in a Statement of these Losses, and of their Claims, made up and revised to the latest period,—claims will be received until the 20th of August, together with any additional Statements or Inventories required to complete those already registered. After which date no new claims can be accepted without special instructions and authority from Her Majesty's High Commissioner. All claims or correspondence on the subject of these claims, to be addressed to the Superintendency, under cover to the undersigned, with “Canton Claims” plainly written in the corner.

British Consulate, Canton, 31st July, 1858.

RUTHERFORD ALCOCK,
H. B. M.'s Consul at Canton.

No. 36.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency SIR JOHN BOWRING, Knight, LL.D., Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary, &c., &c., is pleased to direct the publication, for general information, of the following Copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, transmitting Copy of a Communication from Her Majesty's Consul at San Francisco, enclosing an Act of the Legislature of California, prohibiting the Immigration into that State of Chinese Labourers, after the 1st of October, 1858.

By Order,

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 6th August, 1858.

G. W. CAINE.

No. 54.

Sir,—I transmit to you herewith, for your information, a Copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at San Francisco, inclosing an Act of the Legislature of California, prohibiting the future immigration into the State of Chinese Labourers.—I am, &c.,

FOREIGN OFFICE, June 19, 1858.

SIR JOHN BOWRING, &c., &c., &c.

(Signed) MALMESBURY.