Magistracy, Hongkong, 10th January, 1879.

Summary of Cases deserving notice decided at the Magistracy, during the week ending 9th January, 1879:—

Larceny of 1,090 cash. (Defendant a boy 12 years old).—Sentenced to fourteen days' solitary confinement on rice and water.

Unlawful possession of a quantity of old iron and copper. (Defendant having previously been in Gaol for a similar offence).—Fined £10, or three months' inprisonment with hard labour; and four hours' exposure in the stocks at Yauma-ti.

Retailing prepared opium without a licence.— Fined \$60 or two months' imprisonment, and the prepared opium found to go to the Opium Farmer, together with a moiety of the penalty if paid.

Having possession of prepared opium without permission from the Opium Farmer.—Fined \$100 or two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Embezzlement by a servant of \$25 the monies of his master.—Sentenced to four months' imprisonment, the last fourteen days to be in solitary confinement, the rest with hard labour.

Larceny of one silk jacket and divers other articles.—Sentenced to four hours' exposure in the stocks at Peddars' Wharf, and six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Unlawful possession of a piece of iron.—Fined \$5 or four weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

JNO. J. FRANCIS, Acting Police Magistrate.

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