Supreme Court, Hongkong, 21st July, 1879.

Summary of cases tried at the Supreme Court during the Criminal Sessions which commenced on the 18th June, 1879.

- 1. Liú A-chi aged 62, of San-ning, shopkeeper. No. 26, Wellington Street, pleaded guilty to having falsely stated to the Registrar General that one Ng A-pò had died of fever, whereas in fact the said Ng A-pò had died of opium poison. The prisoner was sentenced to nine days' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$50. The Judge stated that like offenders will in future be much more severely punished.
- 2. Ch'an A-ping, aged 23, of Tung-kún, farmer, was found guilty of the larceny of a pair of silver carrings, from the person of Ho A-yéung, and of having unlawfully wounded a Sergeant of Police named Nicholas Perry when he attempted to arrest him. The prisoner was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude for the first offence and seven' years penal servitude for wounding the Policeman. The Judge brought the bravery of Sergeant Perry to the notice of the Governor. His Excellency has commended and rewarded Sergeant Perry.
- 3. Ch'an A-ching, aged 21, of Tung-kún, brick-layer, pleaded guilty to the larceny of one pair of earrings, from the person of Wong A-kiu. As there were two previous convictions proved against this prisoner, he was sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour and to be kept in solitary confinement four times in each year, not exceeding fourteen days at any one time.
- 4. Mok A-káp, aged 32; of Tung-kún, coolie, was found guilty of the larceny of one blanket and five jackets, from the dwelling house of Lò A-shek in British Kawlung. As there were two previous convictions proved against this prisoner, he was sentenced to two years imprisonment with hard labour, and to be kept in solitary continement four times in each year not exceeding fourteen days at any one time.
- 5. Yéung A-chik, aged 30, of Héung-shán, hawker, was found guilty of the larceny of one jacket and a pair of trowsers, from the dwelling house of To A-wan. As there was a previous conviction proved against this prisoner he was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.
- 6. Lau Wá-chü, aged 22, of Tung-kún, hawker, pleaded guilty to the larceny of one pair of earrings from the person of Chéung A-shing, and was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labour.
- 7. Léung A-wai, aged 34, of Héung-shan, servant to William Neish Bain, was found guilty of stealing from the said William Neish Bain, while in his employ, one gold watch and chain of the value of \$260, and was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

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