

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 248.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of the Queen, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 14 of 1887.—*An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to consolidate and amend the Law for the Establishment and Regulation of the Police Force of the Colony.*

Ordinance No. 20 of 1887.—*An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, for the naturalisation of CH'AN KWOK YING (陳國英).*

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th June, 1887.

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No. 14 OF 1887.

Title.

An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to consolidate and amend the Law for the Establishment and Regulation of the Police Force of the Colony.

[11th June, 1887.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

PART I.—*Preliminary.*

Short Title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as *The Police Force Consolidation Ordinance, 1887.*

Interpretation.

2. In this Ordinance the expression *subordinate officer* shall mean every member of the Police Force above the rank of constable except the Captain Superintendent, the Deputy Superintendent, or Adjutant, and the word *pension* shall include any allowance in the nature of a pension or any gratuity on retirement.

Repeal.

3. Ordinances No. 9 of 1862, except sections 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, No. 8 of 1869 and No. 7 of 1871 are hereby repealed but such repeals shall not affect the past operation of the said Ordinances or anything done or suffered thereunder or any appointment made or any right acquired under the said Ordinances or any of them.

Police Force establishment and salaries. (No. 9 of 1862, s. 2 & s. 4.) (10 Geo. IV. c. 44, s. 4.)

4. The existing establishment of Police for the service of the Colony mentioned in the 1st Schedule hereto shall as heretofore be under the command and control of a Captain Superintendent and the members thereof shall obey all such lawful commands as they may from time to time receive from the said Captain Superintendent.

Power to Governor to diminish or increase Police Force. (*Ibid.* s. 3.)

5. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time to increase or diminish the strength of the said Force as may to him appear expedient. Provided always that the ways and means shall be considered as heretofore in the estimates laid before the Legislative Council and that the supply required for the payment of the said establishment shall also be voted annually as heretofore and included in the annual appropriation Ordinances.

Payment of Force to be voted in annual estimates. (*Ibid.* s. 5.)

Agents to enlist men for the force. (*Ibid.* s. 6.)

6. It shall be lawful for the Governor from time to time to appoint such agents, with reasonable remuneration for their services, and repayment of disbursements, as to him shall seem necessary, for the enlistment in other portions of Her Majesty's Dominions, of fit and proper men for service in the Police Force for this Colony.

PART II.—*Regulation.*

Oath of Captain Superintendent. (*Ibid.* s. 7.)

7. The Captain Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, or Adjutant shall, previous to entering on the duties of their respective Offices, take before the Governor the Oath of Allegiance and the Official Oath as set forth in Ordinance No. 4 of 1869 sections 2 & 3.

Captain Superintendent to be a Justice of the Peace in relation to matters of police.

And the Captain Superintendent shall, during his tenure of the office, have and exercise all the powers of a Justice of the Peace, with regard to the Police Force, or any member or members thereof.

8. All subordinate officers and constables shall, before appointment, be examined, and approved by the Captain Superintendent and Colonial Surgeon, and having been so examined and approved of according to the forms in the 3rd Schedule hereto annexed shall go before a Magistrate and answer the questions, and subscribe and take the oath or make the declaration contained in the 3rd Schedule hereto.

Subordinate officers and constables to be examined. [Ibid. s. 8.]

9. Every subordinate officer and constable shall, except as is hereinafter mentioned, engage and bind himself to serve in the Police Force for the term of five years, during which term he shall not be at liberty to resign his office or to withdraw himself from the duties thereof, except as is hereinafter provided.

Officers and constables to be engaged for five years. [Ibid. s. 9.]

10. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time to authorise the appointment of any number of constables for such periods of less than five years and upon such special terms and conditions as he shall from time to time deem expedient.

Power to enrol constables for limited periods. [No. 7 of 1871, s. 2.]

11. Every constable so appointed under the preceding section shall bind himself to serve for such period and upon such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon, and he shall not be at liberty to resign or withdraw himself from the force before the expiration of the period of his engagement, except as hereinafter provided.

Enrolment under this Ordinance. [Ibid. s. 3.]

12. All the provisions of this Ordinance, except the provisions of sections 9, 13, 15, 16, 17 and 18 shall so far as the same be not inconsistent with the terms and conditions agreed upon, apply equally to constables appointed under or in pursuance of section 10, but in case any such constable shall be subsequently appointed under or in pursuance of sections 8 and 9 the whole of his time of service under his first appointment shall be reckoned in the computation of his service for the purposes of Free Passage Bonus and Pension as hereinafter provided for and in such case sections 16, 17 and 18 of this Ordinance shall apply to such constable.

Application of Ordinance to constables appointed under s. 10. [Ord. No. 7 of 1871, s. 4, 6.]

13. In case any subordinate officer or constable, who shall have completed his period of five years service, shall be desirous of continuing in the Police Force, he shall be at liberty to engage and bind himself for a further term of five years on similar terms and conditions, and shall take the oath or make the declaration prescribed by section 8 of this Ordinance: Provided always that his re-enlistment is approved by the Captain Superintendent.

Renewal of service in force for further period. [No. 9 of 1862, s. 11.]

14. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Governor shall have power to grant permission to resign, to any subordinate officer or constable who may become unfit for further service from ill-health on the certificate of the Colonial Surgeon to that effect, or in any special case brought to his notice by the Captain Superintendent, the Governor shall have power, to grant to any such officer or constable permission to resign.

Circumstances in which officer may be allowed to resign, or may be dismissed. [Ibid. s. 22.]

15. Any subordinate officer or constable shall be entitled to claim his discharge at any time upon his giving to the Captain Superintendent three months' notice of his wish to withdraw, and paying a sum equivalent to two months pay of the rank he may hold at the time of his giving notice of withdrawal for each unexpired year of his term of appointment.

Terms on which any member of Police Force may resign. [Ibid. s. 23.]

16. Every subordinate officer or constable shall at the termination of each service of five years for which he may be engaged, but subject to the proviso hereinafter contained, be entitled to a free passage from Hongkong to the Port nearest to the place at which he may have been engaged for service, or in lieu thereof, or in case he shall have been engaged in Hongkong, he shall be entitled to a sum by way of bonus equal to three months' pay of the rank to which at the time he may belong; provided always that he shall acquire no right to such free passage or bonus unless he shall have given three months' previous notice to the Captain Superintendent of his intention to leave the Force at the expiration of such service of five years, or unless he shall engage for a further period of five years in which case he shall be entitled to the said bonus, although he may not have given such notice.

Free passage or bonus after five years' service. [No. 8 of 1869, s. 3.]

Proviso as to notice.

17. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time to regulate the general conditions upon which, and the manner in which pensions are to be granted to members of the Police Force and to determine in each particular case whether a pension shall or shall not be

Pensions. [Ibid. s. 4.]

granted to any member of the Police Force, and in the event of the Governor in Council determining that a pension shall be granted to any member of the Police Force, to further determine the amount to be paid in respect thereof and the terms on which and the manner in which the same shall be paid.

Revocation of pension.
[*Ibid.* s. 3.]

18. If within three years after the granting of a pension under this Ordinance to any member of the Police Force it be proved to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council that the person to whom such pension may have been granted had been guilty of any corrupt practices in the execution of his office either by receiving bribes or by inducing or compelling payment directly or indirectly of any valuable consideration to himself or to any other person by way of a bribe or by otherwise acting corruptly in the execution of or under color of his office as a member of the Police, then in every such case it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to revoke and annul the grant of such pension (if any be subsisting) or to make such reduction therein as to the said Governor in Council may appear fit.

Regulations for Government and discipline.

19. The Captain Superintendent shall from time to time, make such rules or regulations as he shall deem expedient for the general Government and discipline of the Police Force; but such rules or regulations shall have no force or effect until they have been approved by the Governor in Council and published in the *Gazette*.

Departmental orders.

20. It shall be the duty of the Captain Superintendent from time to time to make, as he shall think fit, without reference to the Governor, but subject to the Governor's disallowance or revisal, such other departmental orders for the carrying out of the daily routine of the Force, and for regulating the internal economy thereof.

On leaving Force, accoutrements to be given up.
[No. 9 of 1862, s. 14.]

21. Whenever any subordinate officer or constable shall resign the service, or shall cease to hold and exercise his office, all power and authority vested in him by virtue thereof, shall forthwith cease and determine to all intents and purposes whatever; and every such officer or constable shall deliver over all and every the arms, ammunition, horses, accoutrements, and other appointments whatsoever which shall have been supplied to him in such capacity, to the person and at the time and place to be appointed by the Captain Superintendent; and it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace to issue his warrant to search for and seize such arms, ammunition, horses, accoutrements, and other appointments which shall not be so delivered over, wheresoever the same shall be found.

Penalty for neglect of duty or non-delivery of arms on quitting Force.
[*Ibid.* s. 15.]

22. Whenever any subordinate officer or constable shall be guilty of any neglect or violation of duty in his office, or shall neglect or refuse to obey or execute any warrant lawfully directed to be by him executed, or shall be guilty of any disobedience to any rule or regulation made under section 19, or of any other misconduct as an officer or constable, or who having duly engaged and bound himself to serve in the Police Force shall desert therefrom, or who being permitted to resign shall not upon ceasing to belong to the force deliver up all arms, accoutrements, and appointments, whatsoever entrusted to him for the performance of his duty, he shall, upon conviction thereof before a Magistrate in a summary manner, forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, and in default of payment thereof, be imprisoned with or without hard labour, for any term not exceeding six months; and every offender shall forfeit all pay during his imprisonment.

Captain Superintendent or Magistrate to punish for breaches of discipline.
[*Ibid.* s. 16.]

23. The Captain Superintendent shall, in cases of breach of discipline or neglect of duty by any constable upon proof thereof to his satisfaction; have power to order the offender to forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars, or award imprisonment for any term not exceeding seven days with forfeiture of pay; or, in his discretion, the Captain Superintendent may bring the offender before a Magistrate who shall have power to award imprisonment for any term not exceeding fourteen days with or without hard labour, together with forfeiture of all pay during such imprisonment.

Dismissal for misconduct.

24. The Governor shall have power upon the representation of the Captain Superintendent to dismiss any subordinate officer or constable for misconduct or neglect of duty, or to approve of the reduction of any Sergeant or Constable to a lower grade or class in the Force.

25. The Governor is hereby empowered to grant rewards to any officers, subordinate officers or constables who shall distinguish themselves by extraordinary diligence zeal or exertion in the execution of their duties, and the Captain Superintendent shall report to the Governor any such officer, subordinate officer or constable who shall so distinguish himself, stating the nature of the service; and the Governor shall have power to grant distinctive badges or medals to officers or constables for long and faithful or extraordinary services.

Rewards, badges, and medals may be given for extraordinary services. (Ibid. s. 24.)

26. It shall be lawful for the Governor to direct suitable stations for the quarters and accommodation of the Police Force, and furniture suitable for the same, to be provided, and to direct the erection, fitting up and furnishing of suitable premises as a place or places for instructing, training, and drilling the Police Force as occasion may require.

Stations and furniture to be provided for Police Force. (Ibid. c. 25.)

27. It shall be lawful for the Governor, if he shall think fit, upon the application of any householder, to appoint any member of the Police Force to do special duty in and upon the premises of the applicant; and every householder who shall so avail himself of the services of any constable shall pay to the Captain Superintendent for the same the whole of the pay and allowances of such constable; and all sums which shall be received by the Captain Superintendent for such special services, shall be paid by him into the Colonial Treasury forthwith, and be accounted for monthly; and every sum of money due for such special services shall be deemed a debt due to the Crown, and shall be recoverable in like manner as other Crown debts in respect of rent and otherwise as therein mentioned.

Special duty and expenses thereof upon householder's application. (Ibid. s. 26.)

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 22nd day of April, 1887.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 11th day of June, 1887.

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Staff.

1 Captain Superintendent.	Police Force.
1 Adjutant.	
1 First Clerk and Accountant.	
1 Second Clerk.	
1 Third Clerk.	
1 Fourth Clerk.	
1 Indian Interpreter.	
7 Chinese Sergeant Interpreters.	
7 Do. do. do.	

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Departmental Police.

Governor.....	1 Sergeant of Police.
	6 Chinese Constables and Orderlies.
Treasurer.....	3 Indian Constables.
Surveyor General	2 Indian Constables for Store.
	3 Chinese do. do. for Cemeteries.
Registrar General.....	1 Inspector of Markets.
	3 Inspectors for duty under the Contagious Diseases Ordinance.
	14 Police Constables.
Harbour Master	1 Chinese Constable.
	1 European Constable (at Shipping Office.)
	4 Chinese Constables in charge at Aberdeen.
	1 Police Sergeant (Interpreter) at Harbour Master's Office.
Gunpowder Depôt.....	1 Indian Sergeant.
	4 Do. Constables.
Supreme Court.....	2 Chinese Do.
Civil Hospital	1 Indian Do.
Police Magistrates	1 European Do.
	1 Chinese Do.

European Force.—Land and Water.

1 Chief Inspector.
 11 Inspectors.
 11 Sergeants.
 88 Constables.
 (Allowance to 10, as Acting Sergeants.)
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 111

Indian Force.

1 Jemadhar.
 5 Sergeants.
 5 Acting Sergeants.
 189 Constables.
 —
 200

Chinese Force.

5 Sergeants.
 170 Constables.
 —
 175

Water Police.—Chinese.

3 Sergeants.
 8 Acting Sergeants.
 118 Constables.
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 129
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 689 Total Force of all ranks and
 —
 55 Horse, Station, and Chair Coolies.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Examination of a Candidate for the Hongkong Police.

FORM I.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

Name?
 Age?
 Height?
 Complexion?
 Eyes?
 Hair?
 Particular Marks?
 Figure?
 Where Born? { Parish, Province, or District of..... }
 { In or near the Town of }
 { In the Colony, or Country of }
 Trade or Calling?
 Religion?
 Read and Write?
 Single or Married?
 Number of Children?
 Residence?
 What Public Service?
 Regiment, Corps, &c.?
 Length of Service?
 Amount of Pension?
 When discharged?
 With whom last employed?
 And where?
 If ever in the Police Service before?
 Name, Address, and Profession of nearest
 Relative,

Signature of Candidate.

Approved for Medical Examination.

Date, 188 .

*Captain Superintendent of Police.**Surgeon's Certificate.*

FORM II.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above Candidate as to his health and bodily strength, and that I consider him for Police Duty.

Colonial Surgeon.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Questions by Magistrate.

FORM I.

Questions to be put separately by the Magistrate to a person engaging or enlisting into the service of the Police Force.

1. What is your name ?
2. In what place were you born?.....
3. What is your trade or calling ?
4. Are you married?
5. Are you ruptured or lame; have you ever been subject to fits, or have you any disability or disorder which impedes the free use of your limbs, or unfits you for ordinary labour?.....
6. Do you belong to the Army or Navy or Militia?
7. Have you ever served in the Army or Navy, Militia or Volunteers?.....
8. Are you willing to serve in the Police of Hongkong for the term of from

I do make oath that the above questions have been separately put to me: that the answers thereto have been read over to me, and that they are the same that I gave and are true.

I do also make oath that I will well and faithfully serve Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors for the term of as of the Police Force of Hongkong, and will obey all orders of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and of all Magistrates and Officers set over me. So help me God.

Witness.

Signature.

Sworn before me at Victoria, Hongkong, this 188 day of

Magistrate.

Declarations in view of Oath.

FORM II.

I do solemnly, sincerely and truly declare, that the above questions have been separately put to me: that the answers thereto have been read over to me, and that they are the same that I gave and are true.

I do also solemnly, sincerely and truly declare that I will well and faithfully serve Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors for the term of as of the Police Force of Hongkong, and will observe and obey all orders of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and of all Magistrates and Officers set over me.

Witness.

Signature.

Declared before me at Victoria, Hongkong, this 188 day of

Magistrate.

LS W. G. CAMERON.

No. 20 OF 1887.

An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, for the naturalisation of CH'AN KWOK YING (陳國英).

[2nd June, 1887.]

WHEREAS CH'AN KWOK YING, a native of the Tsinghoi District, in the Chiu Chau Prefecture, now carrying on trade as an Importer of Siamese goods at 132, Bonham Strand, in the Hop Hing hong, has petitioned to be naturalised as a British subject within the limits of this Colony; and whereas it is expedient that he should be so naturalised: Be it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Preamble.

1. CH'AN KWOK YING, shall be, and he is hereby naturalised a British subject within this Colony, and shall enjoy within this Colony, but not elsewhere, all the rights, advantages and privileges of a British subject, on his taking the oath of allegiance under the provisions of the *Promissory Oaths Ordinance, 1869.*

Naturalisation of CH'AN KWOK YING.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 13th day of May, 1887.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 2nd day of June, 1887.

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.