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No. 1.

PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] HENRY ARTHUR BLAKE,
Governor.

By His Excellency Sir HENRY ARTHUR BLAKE, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

Whereas, by Ordinance No. 3 of 1862, entitled An Ordinance to authorise His Excellency the Governor by Proclamation to prohibit the Exportation of Military Stores and other Articles, as amended by Ordinance 3 of 1884, entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 3 of 1862, it is enacted that it should be lawful for His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, by Proclamation to be published in the Hongkong Government Gazette or in any Extraordinary Gazette, to prohibit, for such period as should be mentioned in such Proclamation, either to be exported from the Colony of Hongkong, or to be carried coastwise within the said Colony, (amongst other things) Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder, and Military and Naval Stores, subject to any permission that may be obtained under the last mentioned Ordinance.

And whereas, by Proclamation dated 18th day of November, 1898, such exportation and carriage coastwise were prohibited for a period of four months from and including the 28th day of November, 1898, and whereas, I have determined with the advice of the Executive Council of this Colony, that it is expedient to continue and extend such prohibition for the period hereinafter mentioned;

Now, therefore, I, Sir ARTHUR HENRY BLAKE, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, by and with the advice of the Executive Council of this Colony, do, by this Proclamation, prohibit for a further period of four months from and including the 28th day of March, 1898, either to be exported from the Colony of Hongkong, or to be carried coastwise within the said Colony, Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder, and Naval and Military Stores, unless this Proclamation shall, in the meantime, be revoked, or unless permission shall have been obtained under Ordinance 3 of 1884.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Given at Government House, Victoria, Hongkong, this 20th day of March, 1899.