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The following Order is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th April, 1899.

ORDER

*Made by the Governor-in-Council, this 25th day of April, 1899, under the provisions of section 4 of The Raw Opium Ordinance, 1887.*

It shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer to grant a licence to Messrs. HUGHES AND HOUGH, Government Auctioneers, for the sale at the Police Store, Central Station, either by public auction or by private contract, on account of the Government of this Colony, of twelve packages of Raw Patna Opium, each package containing twenty balls of Opium, upon the following terms and conditions, namely:—

The Opium will be sold in six lots of forty balls each, and can be inspected at the Police Store on any day previous to the date of sale between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The vendor does not guarantee the condition, quantity, or quality of any portion of the above Opium.

The above Opium is sold with reserve, and the vendor reserves to himself the right to bid by himself or his agents.

The above Opium is sold only for export from the Colony, and the purchaser of any lot shall not be entitled to delivery until—

- (1.) He has declared to the above-named licensees the name and description of, and particulars as to the intended date and hour of sailing of, the ship by which he proposes to export such Opium, and until
- (2.) The above-named licensees have affixed to such lot of Opium a certificate in the form which is prescribed by section 5 of the Raw Opium Ordinance, 1887.

The purchaser of any lot must take delivery of it within one calendar month from the date of sale, and must pay cash on delivery. From the time of the sale of any lot to a purchaser until delivery such lot shall remain at the Police Store solely at the purchaser's risk.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
HONGKONG.

J. G. T. BUCKLE,  
*Clerk of Councils.*