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The following Proclamation is published for general information.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colontal Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th January, 1901.



Proclamation.

WHEREAS it hath pleased Almighty God to call to His mercy Our late SOVEREIGN LADY QUEEN VICTORIA of Blessed and Glorious Memory, by whose decease the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and all other her late Majesty's dominions is solely and rightfully come to the High and Mighty PRINCE ALBERT EDWARD, We

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;

Major-General William Julius Gascoigne, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Commanding His Majesty's Forces in China and Hongkong;

Rear-Admiral Sir James Andrew Thomas Bruce, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint-Michael and Saint George;

The Right Reverend Joseph Charles Hoare, D.D., Bishop of Victoria;

Sir John Worrell Carrington, Knight, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, D.C.L., Ll.D., Chief Justice;

Commodore Francis Powell, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath;

JAMES HALDANE STEWART LOCKHART, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Colonial Secretary,

WILLIAM MEIGH GOODMAN, Barrister-at-Law, Attorney General.

ALEXANDER McDonald Thomson, M.A., Treasurer, Robert Daly Ormsby, Director of Public Works,

Francis Henry May, B.A., Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Captain Superintendent of Police,

CATCHICK PAUL CHATER, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George,

JAMES JOHNSTONE KESWICK,

THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH, B.A., LL.B., Acting Puisne Judge;

Basil Reginald Hamilton Taylor, Harbour Master, Ho Kai, Barrister-at-Law,

WEI YUK,

RODERICK MACKENZIE GRAY,

John Thurburn,

Sir Thomas Jackson, Knight, John Joseph Francis, Barrister-at-Law,

DAVID ROBERT FENTON CRAWFORD, HORMUSJEE MERWANJEE MEHTA,

WILLIAM DANBY, M.I.C.E.,

Wong Shing,

HORMUSJEE NOWROJEE MODY,

JAMES YARDELEY VERNON VERNON,

WILLIAM HARTICAN, M.D.,

Honourable Members of the Legislative Council;

Honourable Members

of the Executive and

Legislative Coun-

Justices of the Peace for the Colony of Hongkong;

Do now hereby with one full voice and consent of tongue and heart publish and proclaim that the HIGH AND MIGHTY PRINCE ALBERT EDWARD is now by the death of OUR LATE SOVEREIGN of happy and glorious memory become our only lawful and rightful LIEGE LORD EDWARD THE SEVENTH BY THE GRACE OF GOD, KING OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH, EMPEROR OF INDIA, SUPREME LORD IN AND OVER THE COLONY OF HONG-KONG AND ITS DEPENDENCIES, to whom we do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience with all hearty and humble affection beseeching God by whom Kings and Queens do reign to bless THE ROYAL PRINCE EDWARD THE SEVENTH with long and happy years to reign over us.

Proclaimed this 29th day of January, 1901.