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**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 169.**

Friday, the 28th and Monday, the 31st of March, being public holidays under "The Holidays Ordinance, 1875," will also be observed as Government holidays.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has also been pleased to appoint Saturday, the 29th March, to be observed as a holiday throughout the Government Departments, except the Police Magistrates' Department.

By Command,

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

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd March, 1902.

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**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 170.**

The following Regulation is published.

By Command,

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

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd March, 1902.

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**REGULATION**

*Made by the Officer Administering the Government in Council  
under section 2 of The Holidays Ordinance, 1875,  
this 22nd day of March, 1902.*

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The Police Magistrate's Department shall be, and the same is hereby, excluded from the operation of the above recited Ordinance on the 31st day of March, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

Council Chamber, Hongkong, 22nd March, 1902.

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**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 171.**

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

Ordinance No. 2 of 1902.—An Ordinance to provide for the more effectual control of Chair and Jinricksha Coolies in private employ.

Ordinance No. 3 of 1902.—An Ordinance to define the meaning of the word "writers", as used in Ordinance No. 3 of 1871.

Ordinance No. 4 of 1902.—An Ordinance to amend The New Territories Land Court Ordinance, 1900, (No. 18 of 1900) and The New Territories Land Court Amendment Ordinance, 1901, (No. 27 of 1901).

Ordinance No. 5 of 1902.—An Ordinance to amend the Ordinance to provide for the Registration of Deeds, Wills, Judgments, and Conveyances affecting real or immoveable property in Hongkong (No. 3 of 1844).

Ordinance No. 6 of 1902.—An Ordinance to further amend The Bankruptcy Ordinance, 1891.

Ordinance No. 7 of 1902.—An Ordinance to further amend The Supreme Court Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance, 1873.

By Command,

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

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 15th March, 1902.

## No. 2 OF 1902.

An Ordinance to provide for the more effectual control of Chair and Jinricksha Coolies in private employ.

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W. J. GASCOIGNE,  
*Officer Administering the Government.*

[15th March, 1902.]

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

- Short title.     **1.** This Ordinance may be cited as the **Private Coolie Ordinance, 1902.**
- Interpretation.     **2.** In this Ordinance, the word "Coolie" means a Chinese employed as the bearer of a private chair or the puller of a private jinricksha.
- Contract of service presumed to be by the month.     **3.** In the absence of any contract to the contrary, the contract of service between a coolie and his employer shall be deemed to be a contract of service for one calendar month at least and, unless then determined, shall be deemed to be a contract of service determinable at one calendar month's notice.
- Undertaking to perform certain services implied in contract.     **4.** In the absence of any contract to the contrary, every coolie shall, by his contract of service, be deemed to have contracted to perform such additional services as carrying notes, running errands, and performing such other light duties inside and outside the house as he may be called upon by his employer to perform.
- Misconduct and penalty.     **5.** Every coolie who shall neglect his duty or absent himself from his duty without the leave of his employer without just cause (the onus of proof of which shall be upon such coolie), or shall leave his employer's service without giving one calendar month's notice to such employer, or shall disobey any lawful and reasonable order of his employer, or shall use any abusive or insulting language to his employer, or shall behave abusively or insultingly to his employer, or be guilty of riotous or disorderly conduct, shall, upon summary conviction before a Magistrate, be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars and, in default of payment, to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a period not exceeding three months.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 11th day of March, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 15th day of March, 1902.

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

## No. 3 OF 1902.

An Ordinance to define the meaning of the word "writers", as used in Ordinance No. 3 of 1871.

(LS)

W. J. GASCOIGNE,  
*Officer Administering the Government.*

[15th March, 1902.]

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

- 1.** This Ordinance may be cited as **The Definition of "Writers" Ordinance, 1902.**
- Short title.     **2.** The word "writers" in section 5 of Ordinance No. 3 of 1871 shall be deemed to include "Law Agents" as

defined in section 1 of the Act to amend the Law relating to Law Agents practising in Scotland (36 & 37 Vict. c. 63).

Interpretation of the word "writers." 36 & 37 Vict. c. 63.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 11th day of March, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 15th day of March, 1902.

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

No. 4 OF 1902.

An Ordinance to amend The New Territories Land Court Ordinance, 1900, (No. 18 of 1900) and The New Territories Land Court Amendment Ordinance, 1901, (No. 27 of 1901).

LS W. J. GASCOIGNE,  
*Officer Administering the Government.*

[15th March, 1902.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as The New Territories Land Court Amendment Ordinance, 1902. Short title.

2. Section 4 (15 A) of Ordinance No. 27 of 1901 is hereby repealed.

Repeal of section 4 (15 A) of Ordinance No. 27 of 1901.

3. The following section, to be numbered 15A, is hereby inserted in the New Territories Land Court Ordinance, 1900, between section 15 and section 16 of that Ordinance:—

New section inserted in Ordinance 18 of 1900.

"15A. Whenever the Governor in Council shall decide that any land in the New Territories the ownership of which has not been determined by the Court ought to be resumed for a public purpose within the meaning of section 2 of the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, 1900, it shall be lawful for the Governor to proclaim by Notification in the Gazette that such land is required by the Government, and such land shall forthwith revert to the Crown and all rights of every claimant his assigns or representatives and of every other person in upon or over or in respect of such land or any part thereof, shall thenceforth absolutely cease and determine.

Provided nevertheless, that the Court shall proceed in due course to hear and determine every claim in relation to such land as if such land had not been acquired under this section, and that such claim or claims, if allowed, and their allowance, shall be reported to the Governor, who shall thereupon refer the matter back to the Court to decide and award what compensation shall be paid to the claimant or claimants and in what manner such compensation shall be apportioned between the different claimants if there is more than one, and the amount so awarded by the Court as compensation, together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of the reverting of the land to the Crown, shall be paid by the Government to such person or persons as the Court may direct. The decision of the Court as to the amount of compensation shall be final.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 11th day of March, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 15th day of March, 1902.

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

## No. 5 OF 1902.

An Ordinance to amend the Ordinance to provide for the Registration of Deeds, Wills, Judgments, and Conveyances affecting real or immoveable property in Hongkong (No. 3 of 1844).



W. J. GASCOIGNE,  
*Officer Administering the Government.*

[15th March, 1902.]

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

**Short title.** 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Land Registry Office (Fees) Amendment Ordinance, 1902, and shall be read and construed together with Ordinance No. 3 of 1844, hereafter called the principal Ordinance.

**Repeal.** 2. Section 14 of the principal Ordinance and the List numbered 2 in the Schedule thereto, are hereby repealed.

**New section 14 substituted in Ordinance No. 3 of 1844.** 3. In lieu of the said section 14 the following section, to be numbered 14, is hereby substituted :—

“ 14. The fees mentioned in the List numbered 2 in the Schedule to this Ordinance shall be paid to the Land Officer for and in respect of the several matters and things therein stated.

Such fees shall be paid by means of stamps, which shall be duly cancelled by the Land Officer, who shall render to the Colonial Treasurer, for the public purposes of the Colony, an accurate account of all such fees.”

**New List 2 substituted in the Schedule to Ordinance No. 3 of 1844.** 4. In lieu of the said repealed List, the following List, to be numbered 2, is hereby substituted in the Schedule to the principal Ordinance :—

## SCHEDULE.

## “ List No. 2.

1. For registering (in accordance with the requirements of Ordinance No. 3 of 1844) every Deed, Assignment, Mortgage, or other Instrument in writing (except as hereinafter provided) where such Deed, Assignment, Mortgage, or other Instrument, relates only to one Lot or one section or portion of a Lot as registered or intended to be registered in the Land Office. .... \$5
2. For registering every other Deed, Assignment, Mortgage, or Instrument in writing, except as hereinafter provided, ..... \$10
3. For registering every Will, Probate, Letters of Administration, Judgment, Decree, Prohibitory Order, or other Order of Court, or receiving any verified Certificate, . \$1
4. For registering a Lis Pendens, ..... \$1
5. For entering a discharge of a Lis Pendens, ..... \$2
6. For a certificate of such Entry of discharge, ..... \$1
7. For receiving for safe custody any Deed, Will, or other Instrument, ..... \$5
8. For every Search, ..... \$1
9. For Certificate of receipt of any document, or certifying a copy thereof, and for every other Certificate, . \$5
10. For every uncertified copy of any Will, Deed, Memorial, or other Instrument, per folio of 72 words, .... 25 cents.
11. For registering Memorial of a Writ of Foreign Attachment, ..... \$1
12. For filing a Certificate that a Writ of Foreign Attachment is dissolved, or that the Judgment in the action is satisfied, ..... \$1
13. For the signature of the Governor to any Crown Lease or other document, including affixing the public Seal to such Lease or other document, where such Seal is necessary, ..... \$5
14. For parchment plans attached to a Crown Lease and Counterpart, or other document, ..... \$10”

5. All fees hitherto charged and received by the said Land Officer under the authority of the Colonial Government and accounted for by him to the Colonial Treasurer for the public purposes of the Colony, shall be deemed to have been legally charged and received by the said Land Officer.

Fees hitherto charged legalized.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 11th day of March, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 15th day of March, 1902.

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

No. 6 OF 1902.

An Ordinance to further amend The Bankruptcy Ordinance, 1891.

LS

W. J. GASCOIGNE,  
*Officer Administering the Government.*

[15th March, 1902.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as The Bankruptcy Amendment Ordinance, 1902. Short title.

2. This Ordinance shall be read and construed as one with the Bankruptcy Ordinance, 1891, (as amended by Ordinances No. 6 of 1892, No. 24 of 1895 and No. 2 of 1901) hereinafter called the principal Ordinance. Construction.

3. The word "debtor" in section 4 of the principal Ordinance shall be deemed to include:—

Meaning of the word "debtor" in section 4 of Ordinance No. 20 of 1901.

(a.) A person who is domiciled in the Colony.

(b.) A person who within a year before the date of the presentation of the petition has ordinarily resided or had a dwelling house or place of business in the Colony.

(c.) A person who, though not himself personally within the Colony, carries on business by an agent within the Colony and possesses assets therein.

In the case of a person who is not a British subject, the meaning of the word "debtor" is not confined to a person who is personally present in the Colony when he commits the act which, by the principal Ordinance, is made an act of bankruptcy.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 11th day of March, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 15th day of March, 1902.

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

No. 7 OF 1902.

## An Ordinance to further amend the Supreme Court Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance, 1873.

LS

W. J. GASCOIGNE,  
*Officer Administering the Government.*

[15th March, 1902.]

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

Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as the Supreme Court Summary Jurisdiction Amendment Ordinance, 1902.

Amendment of section 2 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873. 2. Section 2 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873 is hereby amended by substituting for the words and figures "13 of 1873" the words and figures "5 of 1901".

*Ibid.* 3. The definition of "Principal Register" which occurs in section 2 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873 is hereby repealed and the following definition is substituted therefor:—

"Principal Register" shall mean the Cause Book kept under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1901.

Amendment of section 25 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873. 4. Section 25 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873 is hereby amended by substituting for the word "twelve" the words "twenty-four".

Repeal of section 35 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873. 5. Section 35 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873 is hereby repealed.

Amendment of section 50 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873. 6. Section 50 of Ordinance No. 14 of 1873 is hereby amended by substituting for the words "at present" the words "from time to time".

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 11th day of March, 1902.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 15th day of March, 1902.

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

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 172.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to re-appoint, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Dr. HO KAI to be an Un-official Member of the Legislative Council for a further period of six years, to take effect from the expiration of six years from the date of his previous appointment.

By Command,

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

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 2nd March, 1902.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 173.

It is hereby notified that the King's Exequatur empowering PAUL LOUIS CHARLES CLAUDEL to act as Consul for France at Hongkong, has received His Majesty's signature.

By Command,

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

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th March, 1902.