The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 15th December, 1902, were read and confirmed.

Public Health and Buildings Bill.—The Council resolved itself into Committee to further consider the Bill entitled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Public Health and to Buildings.

Adjournment.—The Council then adjourned sine die.

HENRY A. BLAKE, Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 23rd day of December, 1902.

C. CLEMENTI,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION .-- No. 788.

It is notified that His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance:—

Ordinance No. 31 of 1902, entitled—An Ordinance for the Naturalization of Tsang Hon Cuo, otherwise known as Tsang Ming Tsoi, otherwise known as Tsang Yiu Wing.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th December, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 789.

The following Notice is published.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th December, 1902.

NOTICE.

The attention of the public is drawn to the provisions of the Stamp Amendment Ordinance 1902, whereby certain duties are increased and it is recommended that at least a part of any stock of old forms be presented to the Stamp Office for surcharging before the 31st instant.

A copy of the new Schedule in force from the 1st January, 1903, can be seen at the Stamp Office.

A. M. THOMSON, Treasurer, &c.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 790.

His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinance passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 47 of 1902, entitled—The New Territories Titles Ordinance, 1902.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th December, 1902.

No. 47 of 1902.

The New Territories Titles Ordinance, 1902.

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HENRY A. BLAKE, Governor.

[20th December, 1902.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to declare the law relating to rights in customary land in the New Territories and to make provision for the transfer of the right of use and occupancy in customary lands in the New Territories and for the registration of mutations in titles thereto:

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 Short title. Titles Ordinance, 1902, and shall apply only to the New Application of Ordi-Territories and to land therein.

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- 2. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise re- Definitions. quires :-
 - (a.) "Customary land" means land as to which a claim has been allowed by the Land Court constituted under Ordinance 18 of 1900 or land expressly granted to be held from the Crown under local customary tenure: but shall not include land as to which a Crown Lease has been issued.
 - (b.) A "Customary Mortgage" means a mortgage redeemable at any time by the mortgagor on repayment of the loan-the rents and profits of the estate being received in the meautime by the mortgagee in satisfaction of the interest without account.
 - (c.) "Customary Land-holder" means any claimant whose claim to land has been allowed by the Land Court constituted under Ordinance 18 of 1900 and every person to whom land is expressly granted to be held from the Crown under local customary tenure and includes any person deriving title by transfer or transmission from such claimant or grantee from the Crown but shall not be deemed to include any person who shall have surrendered his rights to the Crown under section 22 of this Ordinance, nor any person deriving title through such person.
 - (d.) "Titles Register" means the Register kept under the provisions of this Ordinance.
 - (e.) "Transfer" used in connection with land or any interest therein means the passing of such land or interest by the act of the parties: but does not include mortgage.
 - (f.) The "Titles Office" means the branch of the Land Office established for the New Territory.
 - (g.) The "Registrar" means the Registrar of Titles appointed for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Ordinance.
 - (h.) "Transmission" used in connection with land or any interest therein means the passing of such land or interest by the operation of law.
 - (i.) "Land" includes buildings thereon and also land covered with water or within the flow of the sea.
 - (j.) "New Territories" means the additional territories acquired by this Colony under the Convention dated the 9th day of June, 1898, between Her late Majesty Queen Victoria and His Majesty the Emperor of China for the enlargement of the limits of this Colony, but does not include that portion of the Territories which is defined as New Kowloon by Ordinance 30 of 1900.

Extract from Titles Register.

3. Every customary land-holder at the time of this Ordinance coming into force shall be entitled to have issued to him an extract from the Titles Register. Such extract to be in the form prescribed in Form II in the Schedule to this Ordinance under the seal of the Titles Office and signed by the Registrar. Every land-holder is entitled to an extract of his holding from the Titles Register free of charge in the first instance, but a fee will be charged for every subsequent extract or for a search.

Rights of land-holder.

- 4. A customary land-holder shall be deemed to have a permanent heritable and transferable right of use and occupancy in his customary land subject only:
 - (a.) to the payment of all such Crown rent, land tax, or assessment as may from time to time be imposed in respect of customary land:
 - (b.) to the reservation in favour of the Crown of all mines and mineral products and of all buried treasure: with full liberty to work and search for the same, paying to the customary land-holder such compensation for any damage occasioned thereby as may be assessed by the Registrar;
 - (c.) to the reservation in favour of the Crown of the right of making roads, drains and sewers and laying down water-pipes and gas pipes, carrying electric, telephone and telegraph wires and using, repairing and maintaining the same paying to the customary land-holder such compensation for any damage oceasioned thereby as may be assessed by the Registrar. Should the land-holder be dissatisfied with such compensation he may appeal to the Supreme Court in the manner provided in section 20 hereof;
 - (d.) to the payment to any persons of such rent charge if any as the Land Court shall have decided to be payable out of such customary land;
 - (e.) to the right of the Crown to take possession of such land upon paying to the customary land-holder full and fair compensation: such compensation to be fixed by the Registrar: should the land-holder be dissatisfied with such compensation he may appeal to the Supreme Court in the manner provided in section 20 hereof;
 - (f.) to the enjoyment by any persons of all rights of way or other easements or profits to which the Land Court may have decided the land to be subject.

Registration in title.

5. All mutations in titles to customary land in the New of mutations Territories whether by transfer, or mortgage, shall be effected and registered and all mutations to such titles by transmission shall be registered in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and not otherwise.

Transfers.

- 6 .- (1.) The parties to any transfer shall attend at the Titles Office either in person or by an agent authorised in writing attested by at least two witnesses whose addresses shall be stated in the attestation, and shall make application for registering the transfer producing the extract from the Titles Register issued in respect of the land which is the subject of transfer or accounting to the satisfaction of the Registrar for its non-production.
- (2.) As security against personation and fraud the Registrar may decline to register any transfer unless an elder of the division or district in which the customary land is situate or two other respectable witnesses shall attend and identify the parties.
- (3.) The Registrar, on proof being made to his satisfaction that the transferee is entitled to be registered shall enter particulars of the transfer in a Register of Transfers and shall draw up and sign a declaration in the form prescribed in Form B in the Schedule hereto and shall cause the same to be signed in his presence by the transferor (or his agent authorised as aforesaid) and shall deposit the same in his office and shall also deposit the extract from the Titles Register if produced.
- (4.) As soon as the necessary entries have been made in the Register of Transfers the Register shall proceed to note the transfer in the Titles Register and shall issue to the transferee an extract from the said Titles Register showing him to be the registered holder of the land transferred.

- 7.—(1.) Every customary land-holder may charge his Mortgages, interest in such land by way of customary mortgage with the payment of any principal sum of money or by mortgage with the repayment at an appointed time of any principal sum of money with interest.
- (2.) For the purpose of effecting such a mortgage the reistered holder and the proposed mortgagee shall attend at the Titles Office either in person (or by an agent authorised in writing attested by two witnesses whose addresses shall be stated in the attestation) and shall make application for registering the proposed mortgage producing the extract from the Titles Register issued in respect of the land which is to be charged or accounting to the satisfaction of the Registrar for its non-production.
- (3.) As security against personation and fraud the Registrar may decline to register any mortgage unless an elder of the District in which the customary land is situate or two other respectable witnesses shall attend and identify the registered holder.
- -(1.) The Registrar on being satisfied that the pro-Registration posed mortgagee is entitled to have the charge registered of mortgages. as a mortgage, shall draw up and sign a declaration in the form prescribed in Form D in the Schedule hereto and shall cause the same to be signed in his presence by the registered holder of the land (or his agent authorised in writing) and deposit the same in his office and shall enter the particulars of the mortgage in the Titles Register.
- (2.) As soon as the necessary entries have been made the Registrar shall endorse on the extract from the Titles Register the particulars of the mortgage and shall hand the extract so endorsed to the mortgagee.

9. In every customary mortgage the following cove- Implied nants shall be implied between the parties:— covenan

(1.) that the mortgagee shall be at liberty to enter into ossession of the land immediately the transaction has been registered;

(2.) that the mortgagee shall while in possession be entitled to receive and retain for his own use all the rents and profits of the said land without account;

(3.) that the mortgagor may at any time give six months' notice of his intention to repay on an appointed day the principal mortgage money.

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(4.) that no interest shall be receivable by the mortgagee in respect of the principal mortgage money.

10. In every mortgage other than a customary mortgage Implied the following covenants shall be implied between the covenant in ordining covenants. parties :-

(1.) that the mortgagor shall be at liberty to retain

possession; (2.) that the mortgagor will on the appointed day pay to the mortgagee the stated principal mortgage money and will in the meantime and thereafter if and so long as the principal mortgage money or any part

interest as provided for in the said mortgage (3.) that should the mortgagor make default in payment of principal or interest the mortgagee shall be at liberty to enter upon the land and receive the rents and profits thereof.

thereof remains unpaid pay to the mortgagee the

11. In case default be made in payment of the principal Sale of sum due by virtue of a mortgage other than customary mortgaged registered under this Ordinance or in the payment of any interest or periodical sum agreed to be paid in respect thereof the mortgagee may apply to the Registrar for a summons calling upon the mortgager on a day named therein to show cause why the mortgaged property or any part thereof should not be sold for the payment of the mortgage debt. If without reasonable excuse the mortgagor fails to show cause as aforesaid the Registrar may if he thinks fit make an order for the sale of the mortgaged property or any part thereof: Provided always that no such order shall be made unless and until—

(i.) notice requiring payment of the principal mortgage money has been served on the mortgagor or one of any joint or several mortgagors and default has been made in payment of the mortgage money or any portion thereof for three months after such service;

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(ii.) some interest or periodical sum under the mortgage is in arrear and unpaid for three months after becoming due.

Summonses and notices under this section may be served either personally or by leaving the same at the last known residence of the mortgagor.

Powers of Registrar.

- 12.—(1.) For the purposes of this Ordinance the Registrar shall have powers similar to those vested in the Supreme Court of this Colony in any suit or action in respect of the following matters, viz :-
 - (a.) Enforcing the attendance of witnesses and examining them on oath, affirmation or otherwise.
 - (b.) Compelling the production of documents.
 - (c.) Punishing persons guilty of contempt of any order of the Registrar.
 - (d.) Ordering inspection of property.
 - (e.) Making and enforcing any order which may be necessary to the proper hearing and determination of any question before the Registrar.
- (2.) If it shall appear to the Registrar that any witness has made on oath a statement which is false, the Registrar may commit such witness to prison for any period not exceeding three months with or without hard labour or may fine such witness in any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Sale to take place at the Titles Office.

13. Every sale of customary land under an order of the Registrar for the payment of a mortgage debt shall be held at the Titles Office or at such other convenient place and at such time and after such notice as the Registrar may

Satisfaction 14. The Registrar shall on due proof of the satisfactobe recorded tion of the mortgage, record such satisfaction on the Titles Register and thereupon the mortgage shall be deemed to have been extinguished.

Sale or mortgage to be in accordance with provisions of Ordinance.

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15. No sale or mertgage of any interest in any customary land in the New Territories shall be valid unless made in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

16.—(1.) Any person claiming to be entitled to any customary land by transmission shall attend at the Titles Office either in person or by his agent authorised in writing attested by at least two witnesses whose addresses shall be stated in the attestation and shall make application to be registered as the customary holder of such land and shall produce the extract from the Titles Register last issued in respect of the land claimed or account to the satisfaction of the Registrar for its non-production.

The Registrar, if it appears to him, after a notice of such application has been published for such period and in such manner as he may prescribe and after such enquiry as he may think fit to make, that the applicant is so entitled, shall make an order to that effect and furnish the applicant with a copy of such order.

(2.) Every application for registration on transmission by way of inheritance shall be accompanied by a statutory declaration in the form prescribed in Form E in the Schedule hereto and the order of the Registrar shall be in the form prescribed in Form F in the said Schedule.

Every transmission shall be noted in the Titles Register and an extract from the said Register shall be issued to every person entitled thereto.

17.—(1.) When any land is intended to be leased for ${f a}$ life or lives or for any term exceeding one year, the registered holder and the proposed lessee shall attend at the Titles Office either in person (or by an agent authorised in writing attested by two witnesses whose addresses shall be stated in the attestation) and shall make application for registering the proposed lease producing the extract from the Titles Register issued in respect of the land which is to be leased or accounting to the satisfaction of the Registrar for its non-production. As security against personation and fraud the Registrar may decline to register any transfer unless an elder of the Division or District in which the customary land is situate or two other respectable witnesses shall attend and identify the parties.

- (2.) The Registrar on being satisfied that the proposed lessee is entitled to have the lease registered, shall draw up and sign a declaration in the form prescribed in Form \boldsymbol{I} in the Schedule hereto and shall cause it to be signed in his presence by the lessor and the lessee or his agent authorised as aforesaid and shall deposit the same in his office and shall make a note of the particulars of the lease in the Titles Register.
- (3.) As soon as the necessary entries have been made the Registrar shall endorse on the extract from the Titles Register the particulars of the lease and shall hand the extract so endorsed to the lessee.
- (4.) In every lease there shall be implied the following Covenants covenants by the lessee with the lessor, that is to say:-

implied in lease.

- (i.) that he will pay the rent thereby reserved at the times therein mentioned, and all rates and taxes which may be payable in respect of the demised property, during the continuance of the lease;
- (ii.) that he will keep and yield up the demised property in good and tenantable repair, reasonable wear and tear excepted;

and similarly there shall also be implied the following powers in the lessor, that is to say :-

- (iii.) power to distrain according to law;
- (iv.) that he may, by himself or his agents, at all reaosnable times, enter upon the demised property, and view the state of repair thereof;
- (v.) that in case the rent, or any part thereof, shall be in arrear for the space of three months, although no demand shall have been made thereof, or in case default shall be made in the fulfilment of any covenant, whether expressed or implied in such lease, on the part of the lessee, and shall be continued for the space of three months, it shall be lawful for the lessor to re-enter upon and take possession of the leased premises;
- 18. The Registrar upon proof to his satisfaction of Recovery of re-entry by the lessor, in manner prescribed by the lease, or possession by re-entry by the lessor, in manner prescribed by the lease, or possession by under the power in the last sub-section of the last preced-lessor to be ing section provided for, or of recovery of possession by a noted in the lessor, by any proceeding in law, shall note the same by Register. entry in the Titles Register and the estate of the lessee in such land shall thereupon determine, but without releasing him from his liability in respect of the breach of any gistrar shall quicel such lease if delivered up to him for that purpose.

19.—(I.) The registration of all mutations in title to Registration customary land effected and registered in accordance with this to be conclu-Ordinance shall be conclusive evidence that the person whose name is entered on the Titles Register is absolutely and of title. indefeasibly entitled to be registered and the title of such person shall not be subject to be questioned on the ground of adverse possession or otherwise except in the case of fraud or misrepresentation to which such person is proved to have been a party.

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- (2.) A certified extract from the Titles Register if signed by the Registrar and sealed with the seal of his office shall be received in evidence in the same manner as the original.
- 20. Every order or award and every entry in the Re-Appeals. gister made by the Registrar under this Ordinance shall be binding on all parties and shall not be set aside, varied or expunged except in the manner in this Ordinance expressly provided.

Provided always that any person who is aggrieved by any order, award or entry in the Register made by the Registrar may move the Supreme Court within one month after the registration of such order or the making of any such award or entry to set aside, vary or expunge the same.

Except as in this Ordinance expressly provided no Court shall exercise jurisdiction as to any matter relating to land within the jurisdiction given by this Ordinance to the Registrar of Titles.

Rules.

- 21. Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance the Governor in Council may from time to time make Rules in respect of all or any of the following matters:—
 - (a.) the form of the Titles Register.
 - (b.) the form of the Register of Transfers and the mode in which such Registers are to be kept;
 - (c.) the mode in which registration is to be conducted;
 - (d.) the fees to be taken by the Registrar;
 - (e.) the custody of the Registers and other documents connected with the business of registration;
 - (f.) generally in relation to any matters whether similar or not to those above mentioned as to which it may be expedient to make Rules for earrying into effect the provisions of this Ordinance.

All such Rules shall be published in the Gazette.

Issue of Crown lease.

22. It shall be lawful for any customary land-holder to notify to the Registrar his desire to surrender his rights in his customary land to the Crown: and to receive in exchange a Crown lease. Such notification shall be in the form prescribed in Form G in the Schedule hereto: and on receipt of such notification duly signed by the applicant the Registrar shall forward the same to the Colonial Secretary with a report: and it shall then be lawful for the Governor to order that a Crown lease for such period and on such terms as he shall think fit be issued to the applicant in respect of such land: and such land shall from the date of the issue of such Crown lease be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance and shall become subject to the general law in force in the Colony with regard to land held upon lease from the Crown.

Boundary marks.

23. The Registrar may by a notice in writing duly served in the manner prescribed in Rule 3 of the Rules made under section 21 of this Ordinance require any customary land-holder to erect boundary marks where necessary for the purpose of defining the limits of his customary land or to repair any boundary marks already existing; and if such land-holder fails to comply with this requisition within a period to be specified in the notice may cause the work to be done and recover the cost thereof as if it were an arrear of revenue due in respect of the land.

Easements.

- 24.—(1.) Nothing contained in this Ordinance shall derogate from any Rights of Way or other Easements now for bereafter acquired by the public in over along or across any customary land or shall be deemed to confer on the registered holder of any customary land a right to interfere with or obstruct the public use of any way or other easement so acquired or enjoyed as aforesaid.
- (2.) In case the registered holder of any customary land shall interfere with or obstruct the public use of any way or any easement now or hereafter acquired or enjoyed by the public in over along or across the land of which he is the registered holder any person aggrieved or damnified by such interference or obstruction may apply to the Registrar for a summons calling upon such registered holder on a day named therein to show cause why an order shall not be made requiring him to abate such interference or remove such obstruction.

In case the registered holder shall fail to show cause as aforesaid the Registrar may if he thinks fit make an order requiring him to abate the interference or remove the obstruction within such limit of time as the Registrar may deem reasonable and if the registered holder fails to comply with the terms of the order within the specified period the Registrar may cause the necessary steps to be taken to that end and recover the cost thereof as if it were an arrear of Revenue due in respect of the land.

Caveats.

25.—(1.) Any person claiming to be interested at law or in equity, whether under an agreement, or under an unregistered instrument, or otherwise however in any land may lodge a caveat with the Registrar forbidding the registration of any dealing with such land, either absolutely or unless such dealing shall be expressed to be subject to the claim of the caveator, or to any conditions conformable to law expressed therein:

- A caveat may be in the form prescribed in the Form J in the Schedule hereto, and shall be under the hand and verified by the declaration of the caveator or an agent duly authorised in writing as aforesaid, and shall contain an address to which notices may be sent or at which proceedings may be served.
- Upon the receipt of a caveat the Registrar shall make a memorandum thereon of the date and hour of the receipt thereof and shall enter a memorandum thereof in the Titles Register and shall forthwith send a notice of such caveat to the person against whose title such caveat shall have been lodged.
- So long as any caveat shall remain in force the Registrar shall not, contrary to the requirements thereof, register any dealing with the land in respect of which such caveat shall have been lodged.
- (2.) The registered proprietor or any other person claiming estate or interest in the land may, by summons, call upon any caveator, to attend before the Registrar to show cause why the caveat should not be removed; and the Registrar may upon proof that the caveator has been summoned, and upon such evidence as the Registrar may require, make such order in the premises, either ex parte or otherwise, as shall seem just.
- 26.—All fees payable under this Ordinance or under any Fees. Rules or Regulation made thereunder may be recovered in a summary wanner before a Police Magistrate.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 12th day of December, 1902.

C. CLEMENTI,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 20th day of December, 1902.

F. H. May, Colonial Secretary.

THE SCHEDULE.

Form A. Titles Register.

Folio No.	Demarcation District.	Lot Number	Crown Rent in 19-	Name of Holder.	Remarks.	Area of Holding.	Nature of Holding.	Mortgages.	Leases.	Number and Kinds of Buildings.	Subsequent Proceedings (if any).	Rent Charge.	Transfer Register Number.

FORM B.

Declaration under Section 6.

I hereby certify that on the day of appeared before me A.B. (or X.Y., the duly constituted Agent of A.B.) of And thereupon the said A.B. (or the said X.Y. on behalf of A.B.) declared that he (or that the said A.B.) was then the registered holder of the customary lands described in the Schedule hereto. And that he (or the said A.B.) has now sold his interest in the said lands to C.D. in consideration of the sum of \$\\$ which has actually been paid to him the said A.B.

And the said C.D. (or Y.Z. on behalf of C.D.) declared that he the said C.D. had purchased the interest of the said A.B. in the said land in manner aforesaid.

(Signed.)

Registrar.

FORM C.

Register of Transfers.

No.	Date.	Hour.	From whom.	To whom.	Book Folio.	Demarcation District.	Lot No.	Particulars of Transaction.	Signature of Collector of Land Revenue.
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FORM D. Mortgage.

of hereby certify that on the day appeared before me A.B. (or X.Y., the duly constituted Agent of A.B.) of and C.D. (or Y.Z. the duly constituted Agent of C.D.) of And thereupon the said A.B., (or the said X.Y. on behalf of A.B.) declared that he (or that the said A.B.) is the registered holder of the customary land described in the Titles Register Book folio. And that he the said A.B. has mortgaged to C.D. his interest in the said land (or in part of the said land) that is to say (here describe the land mortgaged) as security for the re-payment to the said C.D. *(on the day of) of the principal sum of *(with interest thereon at the rate of per cent. per mensem.) which said principal sum has been actually advanced to him the said A.B. by the said C.D.

And the said C.D. (or the said Y.Z. on behalf of C.D.) declares that he agrees to accept the mortgage abovementioned as security for the said sum of \$ *(and interest.)

(Signed.)

Registrar.

[* Omit when the mortgage is customary.]

FORM E.

Statutory Declaration under Section 16.

In the matter of

1. I do solemnly and sincerely declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief of died on the day of , 19 , at and that at the time of death the deceased was the registered holder of the customary lands described in the Titles Register Book folio .

2. I further solemnly and sincerely declare that the following persons are the heirs of the deceased and entitled to share in the inheritance, that is to say:—

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of

Declared before me at

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Justice of the Peace, Notary Public or other person authorised to administer declarations.

FORM F.

Declaration by the Registrar of Titles. Transmission by Inheritance under Section 16.

I hereby certify that on the day of appeared before me who thereupon declared that they are entitled (by law) to share in the inheritance of deceased in respect to the following customary lands described in the Titles Register Book folio:—

(a.) And the said heirs agreed to be registered jointly as customary land-holders in respect to the said land.

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(b.) And the said heirs agreed before me that shall be recognized as the customary land-holder in respect to the said land.

or

(c.) And the said heirs agreed to have the said land partitioned among them in the following shares that is to say:—

(d.) And whereas the said heirs disputed how the said land should be partitioned I have duly enquired into the matter and have assigned the shares as follows:—

(Signed.)

FORM G.

I, A.B., being entitled as customary land-holder to the land described in the Titles Register Book folio do hereby notify my desire to surrender all my rights in such customary land to the Crown and to receive in return a Crown lease on the terms of and at a Crown rent of

(Signed.)

Form II.

Book No.
Folio No.
Demarcation District
Lot No.
Crown Rent
Name of Holder
Area
General description

FORM I.

Memorandum of Lease.

I, A.B., of being registered as the cust tomary holder of the land situated ado hereby lease to C.D. of all the said land to be held by him the said C.D. as lessee for the space of years from the day of at the yearly rental of payable subject to the following covenants, conditions, and restrictions.

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I, the above-named C.D., do hereby accept this Lease of the above-described lands to be held by me as lessee, and subject to the conditions, restrictions, and covenants above set forth.

Dated this

day of

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Signature of Registrar.

Signatures of Lessor & Lessee.

FORM J.

Caveat forbidding Registration of Dealing with Estate or Interest.

To the Registrar of Titles, New Territories.

Take notice that I, A.B., of claiming forbid the registration of any dealing with the estate or interest of C.D. in the said land.

[Address for service of notices and proceedings:]

Dated this

day of

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A.B.

I, the above-named agent for the above-named A.B., make oath and say that the allegations in the above Caveat are true in substance and in fact.

Sworn by the said A.B. at this day of 19

Before me,

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 791.

It is hereby notified that His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the Honourable Robert Gordon Shewan to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, in succession to Thomas Henderson Whitehead.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th December, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 792.

The following Order is published.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th December, 1902.

Order by Excellency the Governor in Council, under section 8 of Ordinance 44 of 1902, made this 22nd day of December, 1903.

There shall be paid for every Certificate of Naturalization and before the issue thereof, a fee of \$250.

> C. CLEMENTI, Acting Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, Hongkong.