

**No. 434.**—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 23 of 1915.—An Ordinance to amend the Evidence Ordinance, 1889.

Ordinance No. 24 of 1915.—An Ordinance to amend the Land Registration Ordinance, 1844.

**HONGKONG.**

**No. 23 OF 1915.**

An Ordinance to amend the Evidence Ordinance, 1889.

I assent to this Ordinance.

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F. H. MAY,  
*Governor.*

[24th September, 1915.]

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 Evidence (Amendment) Ordinance, 1915, and shall be read and construed as one with the Evidence Ordinance, 1889, hereinafter called the Principal Ordinance, and the said Ordinance and this Ordinance may be cited together as the Evidence Ordinances, 1889 and 1915.

Short title and construction.

2. Section 19 of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following section is substituted therefor:—

Repeal of Ordinance No. 2 of 1889, s. 19, and substitution of new section.

“19. Every oath, affidavit, and notarial act, administered, sworn, or done, under or in accordance with the provisions of section 6 of the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1889, as amended by section 2 of the Commissioners for Oaths Act, 1891, shall be as effectual as if duly administered, sworn, or done by or before any lawful authority in the Colony.”

Admissibility of notarial acts done before British diplomatic and consular officers: 52 Vict. c. 10, s. 6 (1); 54 & 55 Vict. c. 50, s. 2.

3. Section 25 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by numbering the present section as sub-section (1) and by adding thereto the following sub-section:—

Amendment of Ordinance No. 2 of 1889, s. 25.

“(2.) In this section “consular officer” includes every consul-general, consul, vice-consul, pro-consul, consular agent, acting consul-general, acting consul, acting vice-consul, and acting consular agent.”

Definition of “consular officer”: 52 Vict. c. 10, s. 6 (1); 54 & 55 Vict. c. 50, s. 2.

4. Section 32 of the Principal Ordinance is amended as follows:—

Amendment of Ordinance No. 2 of 1889, s. 32.

(a.) by the insertion of the words “who is” after the word “person” in the ninth line thereof;

- (b.) by the repeal of the words “, and, in the opinion of a medical practitioner, not likely to recover from such illness,” in the tenth and eleventh lines thereof ;
- (c.) by the deletion of the word “is” after the word “and” in the eleventh line thereof ;
- (d.) by the repeal of the words “to any indictable offence or” in the twentieth line thereof.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 23rd day of September, 1915.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
*Clerk of Councils.*

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 24th day of September, 1915.

CLAUD SEVERN,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

## HONGKONG.

No. 24 OF 1915.

An Ordinance to amend the Land Registration Ordinance, 1844.

I assent to this Ordinance.



F. H. MAY,  
*Governor.*

[24th September, 1915.]

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

- Short title and construction.      **1.** This Ordinance may be cited as the Land Registration (Amendment) Ordinance, 1915, and shall be read and construed as one with the Land Registration Ordinance, 1844, hereinafter called the Principal Ordinance, and the said Ordinance and this Ordinance may be cited together as the Land Registration Ordinances, 1844 and 1915.
- Amendment of Ordinance No. 1 of 1844, s. 6.      **2.** Section 6 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by the repeal of the words “by the plaintiff” in the ninth line thereof, and by the substitution therefor of the following :—  
“by a party to the action in which such judgment is delivered or by his agent or by a person claiming under or through such party”.
- Amendment of Ordinance No. 1 of 1844, s. 8 (2).      **3.** Sub-section (2) of section 8 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by the insertion of the words “if any” and a comma after the word “secured,” in the third line thereof, and by the insertion of the words “if any” after the word “thereon” in the fourth line thereof.
- Amendment of Ordinance No. 1 of 1844, s. 13 (1).      **4.** Sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by the insertion of the words “if any” and a comma after the word “recovered,” in the seventh line thereof, and by the insertion of the words “if any” after the word “thereon” in the ninth line thereof.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 23rd day of September, 1915.

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