## Unclaimed Balances.

#### Weights and Measures.

Brought forward,\$	914.26
Yeung Ü Sz,	2.84
Au Yeung Luk,	24.07
Cawasjee Rustomjee,	10.74
Hans Kiaer,	42.60
Frederick Major,	20.70
Luis Promoli,	5.54
Maria Mould.	0.71
Frederick, T. Smith,	5.23
Harry Corran,	0.96
Leung Hai Heung,	3.44
Robert H. Sneil,	0.74
Charles Collins,	0.05
Guilherme da Silveira,	0.22
Hugh Alex. McLean,	3.28
Ng Lau Tong,	10.64
Reuben Solomon,	14.53
Sheriff Carrim,	13.63
Joseph C. Burt,	15.56
Thomas Wm. Smith,	9.36
Lau Wo Tiu,	39.66

# No. 8 of 1885.

An Ordinance entitled The Weights and Measures Ordinance, 1885.

[2nd March, 1885.]

TOTAL,.....\$1,138.76

B<sup>E</sup> it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

The Governor shall cause to be deposited and safely kept in the Colonial Treasury such weights and measures of the standards in use in the United Kingdom and of such Chinese weights and measures as are specified in the schedule to this Ordinance, and the weights and measures so deposited shall be the standard weights and measures of this Colony.

Standard weights and measures to be deposited in the Treasury, copies and models of which to be deposited with the Magistrates.

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The Governor shall cause to be made copies and models of the several weights and measures so deposited, and such copies and models shall be submitted to the Colonial Treasurer, who shall cause the same to be verified, and, if approved, stamped, or marked in such manner as the Colonial Treasurer may from time to time determine to shew that the same have been verified and approved.

Copies and models after being so verified and approved shall be deposited with the Police Magistrates, who shall keep the same for the

purposes of reference as hereinafter directed.

If any copies or models deposited with a Police Magistrate are lost, destroyed, defaced or injured, they shall be replaced by others of the same weight or measure duly verified and approved.

Any person wishing to compare any weight or measure with the copy or model deposited with a Police Magistrate shall be allowed access to such copy or model for the purpose of making such comparison, at reasonable times to be appointed by the Police Magistrate in his discretion.

- The comparison shall be made in the Magistrate's presence, and the Magistrate, on being satisfied that the weight or measure brought for comparison corresponds truly to the copy or model, shall stamp or mark the same in such manner as the Colonial Treasurer may from time to time determine to shew that the same has been compared and approved.
  - (3) Such person shall defray all expenses of conveying his weights and measures to or from the Police Court, or shall deposit with the examiner one dollar if such weights and measures are on shore, or two dollars if they are on board a ship in the harbour, to defray such expenses.
  - 3. The Governor shall from time to time appoint proper persons to be examiners of weights and measures, and may at pleasure remove any persons so appointed.
  - 4. It shall be the duty of examiners of weights and measures to enter the business premises of any persons who sell goods by weight or measure and examine the weights and measures found on such premises, and seize any of such weights or measures as appear to be fraudulently stamped or not to be according to or not to agree with the standard weights or measures of the Colony.
  - 5. No person shall buy or sell or otherwise deal by any weights or measures other than such as are according to and agree with the standard weights and measures of the Colony.

Magistrate to verify weights and measures.

Appointment of examiners.

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Dealings by S 3 other but standard weights and measures prohibited.

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No person shall buy or sell or otherwise deal by any measure of length or by any steelyard which is not made conformably to the regulations contained in the schedule of this Ordinance.

Falsifying weights and measures or having possession of fraudulent weights and measures.

- 6. Any person who falsifies or wilfully injures any copies or models of standard weights or measures deposited with a Police Magistrate, or buys or sells or otherwise deals by, or upon whose business premises are found any weights or measures fraudulently stamped or marked or not according to and agreeing with the standard weights and measures of the Colony, or who obstructs any examiner of weights and measures in the discharge of his duty as such, shall be liable under this Ordinance on summary conviction before a Police Magistrate to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars for each offence, apart from and in addition to any other penalty or liability to which such person may be subject in respect of such offence. All weights and measures duly seized by an examiner of weights and measures under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be forfeited to the Crown.
- 7. Nothing in this Ordinance shall apply to the buying or selling or dealing in medicines or precious metals or precious stones nor to weights or measures employed in relation thereto.

dealing in medicines or precious metals or precious stones not within this Ordinance.

Weights and measures for

Ordinance 22 of 1844 repealed.

- 8. Ordinance 22 of 1844 is hereby repealed, provided that such repeal shall not affect the past operation of such Ordinance or any liability or punishment incurred thereunder.
- 9. This Ordinance shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1885.

## SCHEDULE.

#### CHINESE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

#### Weights.

- 1 Fan (candareen)=0.133 oz. avoirdupois.
- $I \quad Tsin \quad (mace) = 0.133 \quad , \quad .$
- $1 Leung (tael) = 1\frac{1}{3}, , ,$
- $1 Kan (catty) = 1\frac{1}{3} lbs.$
- $1 \ Tam \ (picul) = 133\frac{1}{3} , , ,$

and the following weights, viz.: 2, 3, 4, 5, taels; 10, 17, 20, 30, 40, 50, taels; 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 700, taels.

## Weights and Measures.

#### Length.

1 Chek (foot) equal to 145 English inches, divided into 10 Tsün or inches, and each inch into 10 Fan or tenths.

## ENGLISH WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

## Weights.

4 Ounces avoirdupois.			7 Pounds avoirdupois.		
8 "	,,		14	,,	35
1 Pound	,,		28	"	**
2 Pounds	"	, v 🕏	56	"	,,
4 "	,,				
1 oz. Troy.		1 2 1	10 C	z. Tro	y.
10 " "			1 Ounce "		
<del>3</del> " "			2 Ou	nces "	

#### Length.

1 Yard divided into feet and inches.

## Capacity.

1	Half Gill.		1	Half Gallon.
1	Gill.	*	1	Gallon.
1	Half Pint.		1	Peck.
1	Pint.		1	Half Bushel.
1	Quart.		1	Bushel.

The contents of each measure to be not heaped, but flat and level with the rim of the vessel.

Measures of length, if made of wood or bamboo, shall (except yard measures imported from the United Kingdom) be tipped at the ends with metal to the satisfaction of the examiner of weights and measures, or, in case of doubt, of a Police Magistrate, whose decision shall be final.