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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PENSIONS TO CHINESE CONSTABLES.

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By Command,

J. M. PRICE,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th September, 1878.

*Captain Superintendent of Police to Acting Colonial Secretary.*

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VICTORIA, HONGKONG,  
10th September, 1878.

I have the honour to apply for authority to pay the herein-mentioned commuted pension, and gratuity to:—

Constable CHAN-NAM, who joined 16th September, 1868, as No. 115.	
Average pay during last 3 years, .....	\$ 96
Pension, .....	24
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Commuted value, .....	120
Gratuity, .....	24
Total, .....	<u>\$144</u>

I also attach the Colonial Surgeon's certificate.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

W. M. DEANE,  
*Captain Superintendent of Police.*

*Certificate by*

This man is healthy and as regards that there is no objection to his being commuted, but he is old, 57 years of age. I do not know if that is against it, judging by his appearance he may reach a very advanced age.

10th September, 1878.

*Minute of His Excellency the Governor.*

1. The manifest advantages of having Government pensioners amongst the natives in this Colony and its neighbourhood are so great, that, wherever the law allows it, I prefer to pension Chinese, instead of giving them lump sums, as the latter practice needlessly severs their useful and loyal connection with this Government.

2. Let Police Constable CHAN-NAM therefore be placed on the pension list, in accordance with the provisions of Section XII of Ordinance No. 9 of 1862, and after the usual report of the Auditor General has been approved.

J. POPE HENNESSY.

10th September, 1878.

*Section XII of Ordinance No. 9 of 1862.*

“Whenever any Inspector, Sergeant, or Constable shall have completed the full term of service of ten years in the Police Force, he shall be entitled in addition to the Bonus or Passage Money mentioned in Section X, to an Annual Pension of Fifteen Sixtieths of the Annual Pay of his Rank, and also for every full and complete year's service after ten years, to an addition to the Annual Pension of One Sixtieth, in respect of each additional year of such service; and such Pension shall be computed upon the amount of the Annual Pay enjoyed by the person retiring at the time of his retirement, provided he shall have been in the receipt of the same for at least three years; otherwise the Pension shall be calculated upon the average amount of pay received by such person for the three years next preceding the commencement of such Pension: Provided always, that His Excellency the Governor shall and may grant Superannuation Allowance or a fixed sum by way of compensation to any Inspector, Sergeant, or Constable of the Force, who shall be disabled for further service by reason of Wounds or Injuries received in the actual execution of his duty.