2. It shall be lawful for any alien, and he is hereby declared entitled, by grant, conveyance, lease, assignment, or bequest or otherwise, to take, acquire, hold, and possess any lands or other immovable property situated in this Colony and the said lands or other property as aforesaid to sell, transfer, assign, or bequeath to any other person as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes, and with the same rights, remedies, exemptions, and privileges, as if he were a natural-born subject of His Majesty residing in this Colony. Right of alien to acquire immovable property like natural-born subject.

3. Every such grant, conveyance, lease, assignment, bequest, sale, transfer, or other act heretofore made or done by or with any such alien shall be deemed in law as valid and effectual as if it had been made or done by or with any natural-born British subject. Validation of acts done by aliens.

—1856.—

[*Originally* No. 4 of 1856.

Law Rev. Ord., 1924.] *

No. 1 of 1856.

An Ordinance relating to wills made by Chinese people.

[5th March, 1856.]

WHEREAS the laws relating to wills and testamentary writings prescribe certain formalities touching the signing, acknowledging, and attesting thereof, and for avoiding all wills and testamentary writings signed, acknowledged, or attested in any other manner; AND WHEREAS the provisions of the said laws in that behalf, if enforced, will tend to the avoidance of all wills and testamentary writings made in the Chinese manner:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Chinese Wills Validation Ordinance, 1856. Short title. *

2. Any written will or testamentary writing made or acknowledged by a Chinese testator (whether a native of or domiciled in this Colony or China) shall, if the same is proved to have been made or acknowledged and authenticated according to the Chinese laws or usages, so as to be effectual for the transmission of property according to such laws or usages, be deemed and taken to be lawfully made and acknowledged, and to have the same virtue and effect as if the same had been made and acknowledged according to the laws in force in this Colony. Validation of Chinese wills made according to Chinese law.

* As amended by Law Rev. Ord., 1923.

Saving as to past decisions.

3. This Ordinance shall not affect or apply to any judgment or decree heretofore made by any court, or affect any right heretofore acquired under and by reason of the laws in force relating to wills or testamentary writings at the commencement of this Ordinance.

No. 2 of 1856, *repealed* by No. 3 of 1906.

No. 3 of 1856, *repealed* by No. 13 of 1914.

—1857.—

[*Originally* No. 3 of 1857.

Law Rev. Ord., 1924.] *

No. 1 of 1857.

An Ordinance for extending to this Colony certain enactments of the Imperial Parliament.

[14th February, 1857.]

Short title. *

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Imperial Enactments Extension Ordinance, 1857.

Extension of certain Acts to the Colony.

Schedule.

2. The enactments of the Imperial Parliament specified in the Schedule are hereby extended to this Colony and to the Supreme Court, with such exceptions as are specified in the said Schedule.

Saving as to rights, etc., acquired.

3. Rights acquired, liabilities incurred, and acts done at or before the commencement of this Ordinance shall not be affected by the said enactments or any of them.

† SCHEDULE. [s. 2.]

Act.	Title.	How much of the Act is extended.
19 & 20 Vict. c. 64. ‡	An Act to repeal certain statutes which are not in use.	The whole of the Act.
19 & 20 Vict. c. 94. ‡	An Act for the uniform administration of Intestates' Estates.	The whole of the Act, except in so far as it may be deemed to affect the customs or usages of Chinese people, touching the distribution of the personal estate of Chinese persons dying intestate.
19 & 20 Vict. c. 120. ‡	An Act to facilitate leases and sales of Settled Estates.	The whole of the Act, except so much thereof as relates to copyhold and customaryhold estates, and also except sections 30, 31, and 42 to 46.

* As amended by Law Rev. Ord., 1923.
† As amended by Law Am. Ord., 1923.
‡ 19 and 20 Vict. c. 64 *rep.* Statute Law Revision Act, 1875; 19 and 20 Vict. c. 94 *rep.* Statute Law Revision Act, 1892; 19 and 20 Vict. c. 120 *rep.* 40 and 41 Vict. c. 18.