

## **Chapter IX**

### **Mr Li Ka Shing Comes To Town**

Out of near obscurity in 1972, Mr Li Ka Shing, like a tsunami, flooded the staid business establishment of the British Crown Colony of Hongkong.

He was destined to become one of the 10 richest men in the world within a period of just 2 decades.

With little to no academic training, but with a keen and perspicacious knowledge of business, all self taught, for the most part, this Chiu Chow gentleman made the headlines as he went on the acquisition trail.

From being a salesman of plastic flowers in the Colony, Mr Li Ka Shing graduated into becoming the most-influential businessman of Hongkong by his purchases of real estate, in the main.

Today, he is widely regarded with great respect by friends and enemies, alike.

He may not be loved by all, but there are few people who would not respect his accomplishments.

Mr Raymonde Sacklyn's latest book about the history of the Hongkong stock exchange, starting from 1969, has been completed.

Chapter Nine is, now, freely available at [The Raymonde Sacklyn's Column](#) for your enjoyment.

This chapter is cut into 2 sections for the convenience of readers.

Some of the chapters of this book, no doubt, will make a number of personalities of Hongkong cringe at their actions of yesteryear (or their lack of actions), but the book is historical fact – because Mr Raymonde Sacklyn lived through this period – and he is part of Hongkong's financial history.

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