

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 62.—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 28th February, 1913, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,	7,475,370	4,000,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,	22,742,910	16,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,	709,500	80,000*
TOTAL,\$	30,927,780	20,080,000

* Securities with Crown Agents £73,000.

No. S. 63.—The following statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, against their notes in circulation, is published for general information under Section 5 of the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, (Ordinance No. 65 of 1911) :—

Security.	Amount.	Nominal Value.	Price when deposited.	Latest market price.
India 3½% Stock,	£28,000	£100	92½/93	92½/93
Bombay Port Trust 4% Bonds,...	£10,000	£100	97½/98½	97½/98½
Bengal Nagpur Railway Co., Ltd., 3½% Debentures,	£35,000	£100	par.	par.

No. S. 64.—Statement of Sanitary Measures adopted by Hongkong.

Disease.	Port or Place.	Restrictions in Force.	Authority.
Small-pox.	Hoihow.	Medical examination ; quarantine at the discretion of the Health Officer.	Proclamation No. 1 dated 3rd January, 1913.
Plague.	Pakhoi.	Do.	Proclamation No. 4 dated 28th February, 1913.

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7th March, 1913.