## NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 85.—It is hereby notified that information has been received from the Colonial Secretary, Singapore, to the effect that Hongkong has been declared an infected port on account of Small-pox.

No. S. 86.—Returns of the Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st March, 1913, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

Banks.	A VERAGE A MOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.	
:	\$	\$	
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,	5,976,830	4,000,000	
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,	20,309,307	16,000,000	
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,	711,000	80,000*	
Total,\$	26,997,137	20,080,000	

<sup>\*</sup> Securities with Crown Agents £73,000.

No. S. 87.—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	$92\frac{1}{2}/93$	$92\frac{1}{2}/93$
Bombay Port Trust 4 % Bonds,	£10,000	£100	$97\frac{1}{2}/98\frac{1}{2}$	$97\frac{1}{2}/98\frac{1}{2}$
Bengal Nagpur Railway Co., Ltd., $3\frac{1}{2}$ % Debentures,	£35,000	£100	par.	par.

No. S. 88.—Statement of Sanitary Measures adopted against Hongkong.

Place or Port.	Nature of Measures.	Date.	Reference to Govern- ment Noti- fication.
Singapore.	Hongkong declared an infected port on account of Small-pox.	4th <b>A</b> pril, 1913.	No. S. 85.