

**No. S. 267.**—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., 3¼% Debentures, .....	£35,000	£100	par.	par.

**No. S. 268.**—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders, which should be clearly marked “Tender for the supply of Electric Current for Shaukiwan”, will be received at the Colonial Secretary’s Office, until Noon of Tuesday, the 23rd instant, for the sole right to supply electric current for lighting and power purposes, for a period of six years, to an area in the neighbourhood of Shaukiwan. The area referred to is indicated by red edging on a plan which may be seen at the Public Works Office.

Tenders must contain :—

- (a.) Full particulars of the proposed installation which must be carried out in accordance with the Electricity Ordinance, No. 18 of 1911.
- (b.) A schedule of the maximum charges to be made per Board of Trade Unit for private house lighting and for lighting of Government Buildings.
- (c.) A schedule of the maximum charges to be made per month for street lighting by means of :—
  - (i.) Arc lamps of 500 candle-power.
  - (ii.) Incandescent lamps of 32, 50 and 100 candle-power.

The hours of lighting to be the same as those specified in the case of the City of Victoria and the prices quoted to include renewals of carbons or lamps required to maintain the lamps in an efficient condition.

- (d.) A schedule of the maximum charges to be made for providing and erecting standards and lamps complete as follows :—
  - (i.) Arc standards and lamps of 500 candle-power.
  - (ii.) Incandescent standards and lamps of 32, 50 and 100 candle-power, single and in clusters of two and three lamps.

In tendering for the above, full particulars should be given of the standards and lamps proposed.

The party whose tender may be accepted shall, within three days of the acceptance of his tender, deposit with the Colonial Treasurer approved security of the value of \$5,000 as a guarantee for the fulfilment of the terms of an agreement based upon the conditions of tendering which may be obtained at the Public Works Office.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

A. M. THOMSON,  
Colonial Secretary.

5th September, 1913.