No. S. 38.—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.
Bombay Port Trust 4 % Bonds,	£10,000	£100	$97\frac{1}{2}/98\frac{1}{2}$. 96/97
Southern Punjab Railway 4% Preference Stock,	£23,040	£100	92/94	96/99
Madras and Southern Mahratta 4 % Debenture Stock,	£35,000	£100	98/100	97/99

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

6th February, 1914.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 39.—It is hereby notified that information has been received from the Military Authorities that Gun Practice will be carried out as under:—

On Tuesday, the 10th February:-

From Pak Sha Wan, in a North-Easterly to Northerly direction, between the hours of 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

On Wednesday, the 11th February: -

From Gough, Pottinger and Pakshawan in a South-Easterly to North-Easterly direction, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

Basil Taylor, Commander, R.N.,

Harbour Master, &c.

6th February, 1914.

No. S. 40.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

Masters of Vessels are hereby notified that the Fairway Buoys are not to be obstructed by vessels anchoring within the following limits:—

To the South of a line drawn N. 53° W. from the Northern Fairway Buoy. To the North of a line drawn S. 43° W. from the Southern Fairway Buoy.

Basil Taylor, Commander, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1914.

It is hereby notified that when vessels are moored at their Buoys in the Harbour not more than five cargo-boats shall be moored abreast on either side of such vessel at one time; and not more than two steam-launches, one of which may be the Company's launch, shall lie alongside any vessel's gangway at one time.

Basil Taylor, Commander, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1914.