No. S. 273.—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	$97\frac{1}{2}/98\frac{1}{2}$	(July.) 96/9 7
Southern Punjab Railway 4% Preference Stock,	£23,040	£100	92/94	90/92
Madras and Southern Maharatta 4% Debenture Stock,	£35,000	£100	98/100	98/100

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

4th September, 1914.

PRISON DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 274.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Winter Clothing for Prison Staff", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Saturday, the 26th September, 1914, for the making up and supply of Winter Clothing for the Prison Staff.

Samples of uniform may be seen, and any information obtained, at this Office.

No tender will be considered, unless the person tendering produces a receipt to the effect that he has deposited in the Colonial Treasury the sum of \$50 as a pledge of the bond fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if such person shall refuse to carry out his tender, in the event of his tender being accepted.

Forms of tender may be obtained at the Colonial Secretary's Office.

No tender will be received unless sent in the form required.

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

C. McI. Messer, Superintendent.

4th September, 1914.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 275.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Peak School", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Monday, the 21st day of September, 1914, for the erection of a School at the Peak.

No work will be permitted on Sundays.

For form of tender, specification and further particulars apply at this Office.

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

A. F. CHURCHILL,

Director of Public Works.

4th September, 1914.