No. S. 387.—Statement of Sanitary Measures adopted against Hongkong.

Place or Port.	Nature of Measures.	Date.	Reference to Govern- ment Noti- fication.
Tientsin.	Hongkong declared a Plague-infected port.  Immigration prohibited on account of Plague.	24th April, 1914. 7th August, 1914.	No. S. 122. No. S. 241.

No. S. 388.—Returns of the Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 30th November, 1914, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

Banks.	A VERAGE A MOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,	6,024,936	5,000,000*
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,	24,422,466	17,500,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,	1,143,863	800,000†
Total,\$	31,591,265	23,300,000

<sup>\*</sup> Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,850,000.

No. S. 389.—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	91/93
Madras and Southern Maharatta 4 % Debenture Stock,	£35,000	£100	98/100	98/100

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

<sup>†</sup> Securities with the Crown Agents £68,040.