

No. S. 91.—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st March, 1919, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks :—

| BANKS. | AVERAGE AMOUNT. | SPECIE IN RESERVE. |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, | 8,113,665 | 5,000,000* |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, | 22,923,064 | 17,000,000 |
| Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, | 1,178,703 | 550,000† |
| TOTAL,.....\$ | 32,215,432 | 22,550,000 |

* Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £340,000.

† Securities with the Crown Agents £125,000.

No. S. 92.—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. |
|--------------------|----------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 5% War Loan, | £125,000 | ... | ... | 95 |

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Colonial Secretary.

4th April, 1919.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 93.—It is hereby notified that information has been received from the Military Authorities that Gun Practice will be carried out as under :—

| Date. | Work. | Direction. | Between hours of |
|---------|-------------------|------------|------------------|
| 1919. | | | |
| April 7 | Mount Davis | S.W. | 3 and 6 p.m. |

In the event of the weather preventing practice on the 7th, it will be carried out on the first suitable day of the following four, *viz.*, 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th.

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

C. W. BECKWITH, Commander, R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.

4th April, 1919.