PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 222.—The following description and terms of the proposed leases of certain Crown Lands at North Point, comprising portions of the Foreshore and Sea Bed, are published under the provisions of the Foreshores and Sea Bed Ordinance, 1901.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LOTS PROPOSED TO BE LEASED.

As shewn on plan signed by the Director of Public Works, which can be seen at the Office of the Public Works Department.

PROPOSED TERMS OF THE SALE AND CROWN LEASES.

1. In consideration of the terms agreed upon and upon completion of the reclamation of the Lots as arranged in the conditions of the proposed grants, to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works, it is proposed to grant Crown Leases of the following areas:—

(1.) Area coloured blue on plan containing about 107,833 square feet for a term of 999 years commencing from 24th February, 1896, and

- (2.) Area coloured yellow on plan containing 17,200 square feet for a term of 75 years renewable on usual terms commencing from 31st August, 1903.
- 2. The leases will be subject to and contain all Exceptions, Reservations, Covenants, Clauses, and Conditions usually inserted in the Crown Leases of Marine Lots in the Colony of Hongkong; the leases will also specify the purposes for which the lands are leased (i.e., whether for the purpose of reclamation, building dwelling houses, factories, or godowns for the storing of coal or other goods, or whether for any other purpose) and shall contain a provision that in the event of the lessees, their executors, administrators and assigns, or successors and assigns (as the case may be) failing, at any time during the continuance of the terms of the said leases, to use the demised lands for the purpose so specified as aforesaid, without the previous licence or consent of His Majesty, His Heirs, Successors or Assigns, signified in writing by the Governor, then it shall be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs, Successors or Assigns, by the Governor or by any Officer authorized by him in writing, to re-enter on the land, foreshore, and sea bed included in and demised by such leases or any portion thereof in the name of the whole, and thereupon the same shall be forfeited to and vest in the Crown; the leases will also contain in particular a reservation to the Crown of all mines and minerals under the demised land.
- 3. The lessees of the Lots will also have to pay the sum of \$6.25 for each new boundary stone to define the Lots, and \$30 for each Crown Lease.

No. S. 223.—Notice is hereby given under Section 3 of the Foreshores and Sea Bed Ordinance, 1901, that all persons having any objections to the granting of the leases as above described must send in particulars of their objections in writing to the Colonial Secretary before the expiration of a period of one month from the 22nd day of August, 1919, and all such objections will be considered by the Governor in Council.

And notice is also given that if after the expiration of such period of one month the Governor in Council shall declare it to be expedient to grant leases of the said Lots, such Lots will be leased, and the Crown Leases of the Lots shall be deemed to demise to the lessees the foreshore or sea bed included in such leases free and discharged from all rights, privileges, profits-à-prendre, and easements, whether public or private, which may have existed or may be claimed in or over such foreshore and sea bed, so far as is necessary for carrying out the purposes for which the lands are leased.

W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works.