

No. S. 232.—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st July, 1921, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks :—

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,	11,785,214	5,700,000*
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,	35,927,225	23,500,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,	1,265,858	550,000‡
TOTAL,	\$ 48,978,297	29,750,000

* Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £560,000.

† Securities with the Crown Agents and Straits Government £1,100,000.

‡ Securities with the Crown Agents £180,000.

No. S. 233.—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.
Funding Loan,	£180,000	£71. 5s.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

5th August, 1921.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 234.—It is hereby notified that the following Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction will be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department on Monday, the 22nd day of August, 1921, at 3 p.m.

Full Particulars and Conditions may be obtained at this Office.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 339.	North-west of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 320, Yee Kuk Street, Shamshuipo.	feet.	feet.	feet.	feet.	About 3,636	\$ 16	\$ 2,727
			As per sale plan.						

The Purchaser of the Lot will also have to pay the sum of \$12 for boundary stones required to define the Lot and \$30 for the Crown Lease.