

**No. S. 151.**—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st May, 1924, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks :—

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, .....	11,704,206	5,000,000*
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, .....	40,006,615	29,900,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, .....	1,381,213	550,000‡
TOTAL, .....\$	53,092,064	35,450,000

\* Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,067,709.

† Securities with the Crown Agents and Straits Government £3,045,000.

‡ Securities with the Crown Agents £130,000.

**No. S. 152.**—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.
5½ % Treasury Bonds repayable @ 100 in 1930, .....	£130,000	...	...	103¼-103¾

CLAUD SEVERN,  
Colonial Secretary.

6th June, 1924.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY,  
BRITISH SECTION.

**No. S. 153.**—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked “Tender for Extension to Loco Yard Sidings, Hunghom”, will be received at the Colonial Secretary’s Office until Noon of Monday, the 16th day of June, 1924, on behalf of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section).

Drawings may be seen and the Specification and full particulars obtained by application to the Railway Head Office, Kowloon, on the deposit of a fee of \$5 which will be refunded on the submission of a *bona fide* tender together with the return of the Specification intact.

The Contractor must furnish with his Tender the schedule of quantities and prices, in triplicate fully filled up and containing his complete estimate.

The successful tenderer will be required to sign a formal contract in the usual form of Government Contracts and to give security in the sum of \$400 for the due and faithful performance of the terms of such contract.

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

H. P. WINSLOW,  
Manager.

6th June, 1924.