

No. S. 297.—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 30th September, 1924, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks :—

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,	10,614,880	5,000,000*
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,	40,569,633	29,900,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,	1,354,077	550,000‡
TOTAL,\$	52,538,590	35,450,000

* Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,057,100.

† Securities with the Crown Agents and Straits Government £3,091,000.

‡ Securities with the Crown Agents £130,000.

No. S. 298.—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.

3rd October, 1924.

MAGISTRACY.

No. S. 299.—Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Licensing Board will be held in the Council Chamber on Friday, the 7th day of November, 1924, at 12.15 p.m. for the purpose of considering applications for Publicans' Licences, Hotel Keepers' Adjunct Licences and Restaurant Keepers' Adjunct Licences for the year 1924-1925 under the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance, 1911.

Forms of application may be obtained at the Magistracy.

All applications must be forwarded to the Magistracy on or before Wednesday, the 15th day of October, 1924, and must be accompanied by a deposit of Four Dollars.

Applicants for transfer or new licences, and persons objecting to such applications, must appear in person.

W. J. LOCKHART-SMITH,
Secretary to the Licensing Board.

3rd October, 1924.