

<i>Brought forward,</i>	-\$ 7,377,605
Education Department, - - - -	926,605
Do., Special Expenditure,	1,900
Public Works Department, - - - -	1,429,207
Public Works, Recurrent, - - - -	1,199,700
Public Works, Extraordinary, - - - -	4,988,500
Port Development Department, - - - -	100,106
Do., Special Expenditure,	4,500
Port Works, Extraordinary, - - - -	605,000
Kowloon-Canton Railway, - - - -	570,753
Do., Special Expenditure,	60,140
Volunteer Defence Corps, - - - -	47,336
Do., Special Expenditure,	10,400
Pensions, - - - -	591,200
Charitable Services, - - - -	94,487
Miscellaneous Services, - - - -	760,338
TOTAL,	-\$ 18,767,777

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 269.—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 30th September, 1925, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks :—

BANKS.	AVERAGE	SPECIE
	AMOUNT:	IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	13,031,757	5,000,000*
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	43,582,800	35,000,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited... ..	1,392,943	550,000‡
TOTAL	\$ 5,8007,500	40,550,000

* In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,033,600.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at £3,091,000.

‡ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £130,000.

No. S. 270.—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	—	—	101¼-101½