

No. S. 200.—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st July, 1926, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China ... ..	13,508,840	5,300,000*
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ... ..	40,310,354	38,000,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited... ..	1,542,907	550,000‡
TOTAL ... .. \$	55,362,101	43,850,000

\* In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,283,500.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at £3,108,097.

‡ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £380,000.

No. S. 201.—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.
5 ½% Treasury Bonds repayable @ 100 in 1930 - - - -	£380,000	—	—	102¼-102¾

6th August, 1926.

W. T. SOUTHORN,  
Colonial Secretary.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 202.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in quintuplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Repairs to Steam Launch G.P.O. 1", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Friday, the 20th day of August, 1926.

A list of work may be obtained at the Government Slipway, Yaumati.

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

The work to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Government Marine Surveyor.

G. F. HOLE,  
Harbour Master, &c.

6th August, 1926.