NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 1.—Returns of the Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended 31st December, 1930, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

Banks.	Average Amount.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$ 19,600,942	\$ 7,800,000*
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	104,311,862	80,000,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited	$3,\!556,\!56\dot{7}$	1,350,000§
Total \$	127,469,371	89,150,000

^{*} In addition Sterling Securities are deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,335,000.

E. R. HALLIFAX, Colonial Secretary.

2nd January, 1931.

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No. S. 2.—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 % Treasury Bonds payable @ 100 in 1933/1935	£180,000			103-103½

E. R. HALLIFAX, Colonial Secretary.

2nd January, 1931.

 $[\]dagger$ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at £2,932,618.

[§] In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £180,000.