NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 281.—Returns of the Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended 31st July, 1931, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

Banks.	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	22,976,529	8,300,000*
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	130,162,621	112,000,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited	3,819,659	1,350,000§
Total \$	156,958,809	121,650,000

^{*} In addition Sterling Securities are deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,331,700.

W. T. SOUTHORN, Colonial Secretary.

14th August, 1931.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 282.—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

W. T. SOUTHORN, Colonial Secretary.

14th August, 1931.

[†] In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at £3,078,000.

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