

No. 115.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, that Mr JOSEPH NIBLETT, having reported his arrival in the Colony, is appointed Foreman of Works in the Surveyor-General's Department, under instructions from the Right Honorable The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 3d November, 1856.

No. 116.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, that by a Despatch from the Right Honorable The Secretary of State for the Colonies received by the recent Mail, the appointment of E. R. MICHELL, Esquire, as Assistant Harbor Master and Emigration Officer announced in the *Gazette* of 1st instant (Government Notification No. 113) has been duly sanctioned by Her Majesty's Government.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 4th November, 1856.

No. 118.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The subjoined Despatch from Her Majesty's Agent and Consul General in Egypt to the address of the Right Honorable The Earl of Clarendon, announcing certain additional facilities granted by the Transit Administration in that country, is, under Instruction from the Colonial Office, published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 6th November, 1856.

No. 32.

ALEXANDRIA, July 3, 1856.

MY LORD,—As a proof of the Viceroy's wish to consult the convenience of passengers proceeding to and from India through Egypt, I may mention two alterations to which he has readily consented on my proposing them.

Hitherto the amount of Baggage conveyed gratis by the Transit Administration across the Isthmus was smaller than that allowed to passengers by the Peninsular and Oriental Company.

On representing to His Highness the inconvenience to which this arrangement subjected the passengers, he at once ordered the rates to be equalized, though this measure is attended with a diminution of the Transit revenue.

I also stated to him that Her Majesty's Government was about to establish a Monthly Line of Steamers from Australia to Suez, and that a considerable portion of the Australian Gold might be expected to pass through Egypt, if the charge for Specie was reduced from 7/6 per £100 to 5/0. The Viceroy has adopted this proposal, thereby affording a considerable advantage to whatever Company obtains the Contract for the above service.

I may also state to your Lordship, that His Highness has promoted Mr Leeguen, Director of the Transit and Railway Administration, to the rank of Bey, thus placing a Christian and an Englishman to the head of the Turkish Administration.—I have, &c.,

(Signed)

FRED. W. A. BRUCE.

True Copy,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 119.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

HENRY TUDOR DAVIES, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law of the Inner Temple, having reported his arrival in the Colony, is appointed Chief Magistrate of Police in Hongkong by virtue of a Warrant under the Royal Sign Manual.

Mr Davies has been this day sworn in as Chief Magistrate and as a Justice of the Peace, and will assume charge of his Department from this date.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 8th November, 1856.

No. 108.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, that under the terms of Ordinance No. 11 of 1844, Friday, the 14th Day of November next, is fixed for a Special Sessions of Justices of the Peace to be held on that day at the Office of the Chief Magistrate of Police at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of considering applications for Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous and Fermented Liquors during the Year commencing the 1st December next.

Applications for such Licenses must be lodged at the Chief Magistrate's Office at least Ten Days before the Sessions, in the Form prescribed by the Ordinance above mentioned.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 10th October, 1856.