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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Notification relative to the Pearl Fishery at Aripo, in the Island of Ceylon, is published for general information, at the request of the Government of that Colony. By Order,

> W. H. ALEXANDER, Acting Colonial Sucretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th January, 1863.

## GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENT. PEARL FISHERY.

Notice is hereby given, that a Pearl Fishery will take place at Aripo, in the Island of Ceylon, on or about the 2nd of March next 1863; and that the Bank to be fished is the South-East Chival Paar Bank, estimated to contain Oysters sufficient to employ One hundred Boats for Twelve days.

It is therefore recommended, that such Boat-owners and Divers as may wish to be employed at the said Fishery, should be at Aripo, on or before the 20th February next. And it is particularly notified, that the first days' fishing will positively take place on the first day in March that the weather may permit the Boats to fish.

The fishery will be conducted on account of Government, and the Oysters put up to sale in such lots as may be deemed

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The arrangements of the Fishery will be the same as have been usual on similar occasions.

All payments to be made in ready money in Ceylon Currency, or in East India Company's Rupees.

Drafts on the Banks in Colombo, or Bills on the Agents of this Government in India, at Ten days' sight, will be taken, on Letters of Credit being produced to warrant the drawing of such Drafts or Bills.

For the convenience of purchasers, the Treasurer at Colombo and the different Government Agents of Provinces, will be authorized to receive Cash Deposits from parties intending to become purchasers, and Receipts of these Officers will be taken in payment of any sums due on account of the Fishery.

No deposit will be received for a less sum than Fifty pounds.

By His Excellency's Command.

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W. C. GIBSON, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, 12th December, 1862.

Statement of the Produce and Valuation of 12,000 Oysters taken from the South-East part of the Chival Paar, in November, 1862.

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