

5. Unstamped or insufficiently stamped letters for the United Kingdom originating at any of the Agencies of the Hongkong Post Office, will for the present be sent on charged with the deficient amount of postage only.

6. Letters addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will, in the event of their being insufficiently stamped, be opened and returned to the writers.

7. Correspondence for the United Kingdom if insufficiently stamped for transmission *via Marseilles* will be forwarded by way of Southampton, if the Colonial Postage Stamps upon it are sufficient to cover the full postage by that route.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd January, 1864.

No. 16.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The Government Notification No. 125 of 29th November, 1862, is republished for general information and convenience.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd January, 1864.

No. 125.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

1. It is hereby notified that Colonial Postage Stamps will be issued from the Treasury and General Post Office of this Colony on and after the 8th December next.

2. These Stamps represent the following amounts in value :—

Two Cents,.....	or One Penny.
Eight Cents,	Four Pence.
Twelve Cents,	Six Pence.
Eighteen Cents,.....	Nine Pence.
Twenty-four Cents,	One Shilling.
Forty-eight Cents,	Two Shillings.
Ninety-six Cents,	Four Shillings.

3. They will be issued in exchange for the Current Dollars of the Colony.

4. It must be understood that the Postage Labels of this Colony are alone available for the payment of postage on correspondence posted at the General Post Office in Hongkong, or the Agencies thereof at Whampoa, Canton, Macao, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow-foo, Shanghae, Ningpo, Nagasaki and Yedo, and that except in the case of correspondence sent by Officers and Seamen, serving on board Her Majesty's Ships, British or Imperial Postage Stamps are not available for the payment of letters, &c., addressed to the United Kingdom.

5. Their use will for the present be optional.

6. They may be used on correspondence to places to which the prepayment of postage is either compulsory or optional, *i.e.*, no credit will be given to these Stamps on correspondence addressed to places to which the postage cannot be prepaid in Hongkong.

7. Correspondence insufficiently stamped will be returned to the writers with an indication of the amount insufficient, except in the case of letters, &c., originating at any of the Agencies of the Hongkong Post Office, which will, if addressed to the United Kingdom, be sent on charged with the deficient amount of postage and a fine of 1s.

8. The Labels are to be placed on the upper right hand corner of the correspondence, except in cases where they may be used in payment of "Late Fees" when the Stamp representing the Late Fee is to be placed on the lower left hand corner of the correspondence.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th November, 1862.

No. 17.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Whereas the Danish Brig *Chico* while in the Lyemooon Passage was attacked by Pirates who murdered certain of her Crew,

Notice is hereby given, that

A REWARD OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS

will be given to any person who shall give such information as shall lead to the apprehension and conviction of one or more of the guilty parties.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd January, 1864.