"As to concealed Property, &c."

And also by renumbering the remaining Sections of the same Ordinance to the end beginning with 191 which shall be renumbered 192, and so on in due arithmetical order.

Sections 2 and 3 of VII. Ordinance No. 6 of 1864 shall be amended by expunging from Sections 2 and 3 of the same Ordinance the Words "or Declaration was administered," and by substituting therefor in each Section the Words "Declaration or Warning was admi"nistered to, made by or given to."

No. 135.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The question of compensation for the Chinese dispossessed from the South West point of Kowloon Peninsula having now been disposed of, it becomes necessary to consider the position of the Chinese Owners and Occupiers of Land and Houses in the remainder of that district.

The propriety of this measure will be apparent from the inconvenience of two different systems of tenure within the Colony and the possible injury that would befal such Owners and Occupiers if a title in law were not granted them for their respective holdings, sufficient under the altered circumstances of occupancy.

All persons therefore having proprietary claims as above are called on to send in a statement of their titles, with full particulars as to the position and extent of their holdings to Lieut. WILLIAMS, R.E., on or before 30th September next; when to all able to substantiate their claims Crown Leases for 999 years will be granted free of expense, subject only to the same rent as they were formerly liable for to the Chinese Government.

Occupiers of Lands or Houses within the territory lately ceded, who shall not be provided with Crown Leases after the 1st January next, will be considered *Squatters* and held liable to be dispossessed at any time, subject to the payment of *Squatters' Rent* until such dispossession.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

No. 136.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Tenders will be received at the Surveyor General's Office on or before Monday the 12th proximo for the repairs of the Quarry Bay, Stanley, Pokefulum and Aberdeen Roads during the 3 months ending 31st December next.

Specifications may be seen on application between the hours of 11 A.M. and 3 P.M. By Order,

W. T. MERCER, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, 27th August, 1864.

No. 137.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Government Notification No. 133 of the 20th Instant, respecting Squatter's Licenses, is hereby cancelled.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 27th August, 1864.

No. 131.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Tenders will be received at the Surveyor General's Office on or before Monday, the 29th Instant, for the erection of a Portion of the Gaol at Stone Cutters' Island. Plans and Specification may be seen on application between the hours of 11 A.M. and 3 P.M.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th August, 1864.