No. 187.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Under Provisions of Ordinance No. 11 of 1844, notice is hereby given that a Special Session of the Justices of the Peace will be held at the Police Magistrates' Court, 11 o'clock in the forenoon of Tuesday, the 6th day of January next, and thereafter, on the First Tuesday of every month, for the purpose of considering applications for granting or transferring Spirit Licenses during the year 1874. Such applications must be lodged at the Police Magistrates' Office, at least Ten days before each

of the Sessions now notified.

By Command,

CECIL C. SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th November 1873.

NOTICE.

Owners of Tenements assessed to the Police, Lighting, Water, and Fire Brigade Rates, are informed that the Rates for the First Quarter of the year 1874, are payable in advance, during and within the month of January next.

> CECIL C: SMITH, Acting Colonial Treasurer.

Colonial Treasury, Hongkong, 29th December, 1873.

NOTICE.

On and after the 1st January, 134, every British Ship, of whatever Port of Registry, is required by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1873, to be marked as follows:—

- (1.) With her name on each bow;
- (2.) With her name and Port of Registry on her stern, in conspicuous letters at least four inches
- (3.) With her Official Number and Registered tonnage cut in on her main beam;
- (4) With a scale of feet denoting her draught of water cut in on each side of her stem and stern post, and painted, the figures being numerals or Roman figures at least six inches long, the lowest coinciding with the draught line marked thereby.

The above markings are required to be satisfactorily made and permanently maintained under a penalty not exceeding £100. Vessels may be detained until they are sufficiently and accurately marked. The colours allowed are white or yellow lettering on a dark ground, or black lettering upon a light ground.

H. G. THOMSETT, Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 15th November, 1873.

No. 117.—List of Dead Letter which have been returned from the General Post Office in London, and other places, for the various reasons as ned upon them, and which can be returned to the writers on application.

Ahllaghan, Captain, Fusiyama, London, 1	Neil, Mrs., Cubit Town, Poplar, London,
Allard, G., Poste Restante, Port Said, 1	Oxenham, E. L., H. B. M's. Consulate, Hankow,
Allen, Captain, High Street, Irvine, Scotland, 1	Palmer, Miss, near Liverpool, England,
Baxter, Miss, Mudgee, Diocese of Sydney, 1	Parsons, Mrs., Goat Inn, Stafford,
Cameron, Louis, East Toronto, Canada,	Pettigrew, Alexander, Broad Street, Scotland,
Compton George, Piper Street, Woolarah, Sydney, 1	Pettigrew, Margaret, Do., Do.,
Cook, Captain, Singapore, 1	Phillips, D., Engineer, Yokohama,
Emley, Miss, 12, Duke's Terrace, Kentish Town, London, 1	Platt, 121, High Street, Kingsland, London,
Foster & Son, Princess Street, Halifax, Yorkshire,	Popor, Paolo, Boarding House, 27, Bute Street, Cardiff,
Gearing, J. E., Hankow, 1	Roberts, Hugh, Perkins Street, Newcastle, N.S.W.,
Green, S. H., Belize, Honduras, 1	Sidro, Juan N., Priego, España,
G. T., Post Office, Freemantle, West Australia, 1	Sommerfelder Tuchfabrick, Sommerfeld,
Johnson, Thomas, South Shields, England, 1	Spiers, R., 6, Stainsby Road, Poplar, London,
Jons, Comis, C., Eppendorferland Street, Hamburg, 1	Tailor and Joslin, London Wall, London,
Kinnear, D., Brisbane, Queensland,	Thoms, Captain, Bonnie Dunkeld, Hongkong,
Liza, Mlle., Rue de la Vierge, Brest, 1	Timms, F., Jamestown, St. Helena,
Lunghi, Natalina, Genova, Italia,	Versmann, C. K., Itzehoe, Schleswig-Holstein,
McLean, A., Shipowner, Sydney, 1	Vimont, A., abord le Cosmão, Batavia,
Miller, McKenzie & White, Shanghae, 1	Webb, Mrs., E., 17, Gill Street, Limehouse, London,
Mouva, José C. de, Rua do Paraiso, Lisboa, 1	X Y Z, General Post Office, London,
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F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 9th January, 1874.