No. 185.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Letter from Her Majesty's Consul at Canton, in reference to the capture and pillage of the Steamer Spark, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th November, 1874.

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H. M. CONSULATE, CANTON, 12th November, 1874.

SIR,—With reference to the capture and pillage of the steamer Spark by pirates, the murders of the Master, G. Brady, and the Purser, Felix Ferries, and the dangerous wounding of Mr. Mundy, a Passenger, and others on the 22nd of August last; I have the honor to state, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, that every effort was made by the Canton Government to arrest the guilty parties, and Fourteen in all were captured and brought to trial, and of these Six, having confessed their guilt,—

Líu A-wu, 烏亞劉 Chang Tê Hsiū, 秀得張 Liang To Ching, 鏡多梁 Kwo Kên Hao, 好根郭 Wu Ch'ai Kwei, 貴彩吳 Wu Kwo Yu, 有郭吳

were executed on the 3rd, and two

Ho Hsin K'wên, 綑 新何 Hwang A-lien, 連亞黃

on the 6th instant.

Fan A-feng, 漁 亞 乾 who died from wounds received at his capture, was also beheaded.

The heads of these criminals will be exposed in the usual manner as a warning to all.

On the other persons in custody, sentences have not yet been passed, there being doubts respecting the identity of one or two of them, or whether they were engaged in the piracy.

In reporting these executions, His Excellency the Acting Viceroy informs me that no Reward can be accepted for the apprehension of the pirates, the Police having done no more than their duty.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

B. ROBERTSON, Consul.

The Honourable J. GARDINER AUSTIN,

Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong.

No. 186.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Notice is hereby given that Messrs. Hubbuck & Son, of No. 24, Lime Street, London, have complied with the requirements of Ordinance No. 16 of 1873, for the registration in this Colony of their Trade Mark as applied to White Lead, Paints, Colors, Oil and Varnish; and that the same has been duly registered.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN, Colonia. Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th November, 1874.