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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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By Command, C. MAY, Acting Colonial Secretary.

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[No. 26.]

CENTRAL POLICE BARRACKS, VICTORIA, 29th January, 1879.

SIR,—I have the honour to bring before the notice of His Excellency the Governor, the case of 602, ALLAH SINGH, with a view to his reduction from 2nd to 3rd class in the Force, from 31st January, 1879.

Name ALLAH SINGH.
Joined 4th August, 1874.
Character Drunk once before, and recently fined by Magistrate for assault, \$3.
Grounds for reduction. Returning off duty drunk.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

W. M. DEANE, Capt. Supt. of Police.

To the Honourable THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Minute by His Excellency The Governor.

As Police Constable 602, ALLAH SINGH, has now been reported by the Captain Superintendent for returning drunk from duty, as he had been found drunk on a former occasion, and as he was sentenced on the 10th of last month, to be fined \$3 or one week's imprisonment for an assault, I do not think a reduction from the 2nd to the 3rd class is a sufficient punishment. Let him be dismissed.

J. POPE HENNESSY.

3rd February, 1879.

No. 33.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Account, duly certified, of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation in Hongkong, during the Month ending 31st January, 1879, is published for general information.

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憲 報 第 三 十 二 號

署輔政使司 鑒 為 曉諭 事 照得現奉 督憲札諭謹將 下開公文批 語抄印俾眾 咸知 一千八百七 十九年二月 初七日 己卯年正月 十七日示

憲 報 第 二 十 六 號 公 文

總理巡捕廳田 稟為將六百零 二號差役亞拉星降級一事理合 稟明 巡 捕 督憲大人懇准頒行擬將該差降級 由正月三十一日起將伊三等降 作三等謹將原由一并稟明查該 差役名亞拉星自一千八百七十 四年八月初四日投充查厥行止 前因酒醉經罰一項近因打架被 巡理府審斷罰銀三大元茲因出 更巡邏帶醉而回故將降級就此 稟明懇請 察准 一千八百七十九年正月廿九日稟

督 憲 批 語

欽命香港總督部堂燕 批 據巡捕廳稟將第六百零 二號差役亞拉星降級一案 茲查該差既被巡捕廳稟伊 出更巡邏帶醉而回及前經 見其酒醉及於正月初十經 被審斷因打架事罰銀三圓 或監禁七日等情茲本部堂 以為應將該差革退以警儆 尤蓋僅將伊二等降作三等 誠恐未足以償厥辜 一千八百七十九年二月初三 日批

憲 報 第 三 十 三 號

署理輔政使司 鑒 督憲諭為銀紙通用事 照得本港各銀行於 本年正月三十一日 所簽發通用銀紙均 照則例經驗在案茲 特抄印俾爾商民人 等一體週知為此特 示 一千八百七十九年 二月初七日 己卯年正月二十日示

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
Oriental Bank Corporation,	\$ 419,680	\$ 200,000
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London & China,	689,342	250,000
Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China,	665,102	250,000
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,	2,098,796	1,000,000
Do. do. at the Ports,	291,983 ³³	100,000
TOTAL,	\$ 4,164,823 ³³	1,800,000

東藩匯理銀行 簽發通用銀紙四十一萬九千六百大員 實存現銀二十萬大員
 英國印度中國三處匯理銀行 簽發通用銀紙六十八萬九千三百四十二員 實存現銀二十五萬大員
 印度新金山中國匯理銀行 簽發通用銀紙六十六萬五千一百零二員 實存現銀二十五萬大員
 香港上海匯理銀行 簽發通用銀紙二百零九萬八千七百九十六員 實存現銀一百萬員
 又在分枝各埠簽發通用銀紙廿九萬一千九百八十三員卅三仙 實存現銀十萬大員
 合共簽發通用銀紙四百十六萬四千八百二十三員三十三仙
 合共實存現銀一百八十萬大員

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Letter.

The following Regulations as to the Indemnity to be paid in certain cases on the loss of Registered correspondence have been made by His Excellency the Governor under Ordinance 10 of 1876, Section XII.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but henceforth it will be prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of registration required.
2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.
3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.
4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.
5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handsomely bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 4th February, 1879.

示 司 務 驛

驛務司李

曉諭事照得遵依一千八百七十六年第十條則例香港總督設立章程凡有領回憑單之信函問或遺失應有補置之項本驛務司遵例未能保其信函完全必到但自今以後本驛務司自願擔保所有與下開章程符合領回憑單之信函倘有遺失分別補置但該補置銀限以十員為額 茲將章程列後

- 一 凡寄信之人應全守一切領回憑單之章程
 - 二 該信函必用主函信封固
 - 三 一經聞有信函遺失即應速赴本港驛務司署報明及將原來信皮附後
 - 四 驛務司須有確據該信函果屬屬繫中國人英驛務司收到之時遺失者又寄信之人果無過失者又非因遭火焚燒遭風舟溺者又非因本港驛務司署內使喚人役作弊一切欺騙不慎等情者
- 五 凡有幼細之物如小照時辰表及釘裝華美之書卷等物倘經交到問或損破本署不能補置

一 八 千 百 七 十 九 年 二 月 初 四 日 示