

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 80.

The following Post Office Notice, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th March, 1886.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

Parcels not exceeding 7 lbs. in weight nor measuring more than two feet in any one direction can now be forwarded to Belgium and Germany.

No parcel for Germany can be received unless it is sealed, and unless the net weight of the articles forwarded, as well as the gross weight of the parcel be entered on the Declaration of Contents.

The Postage on Local Parcels will henceforth be 10 cents per lb., and on those for the Straits Settlements, Ceylon, and India, 15 cents per lb., which rates will include Registration fee.

These particulars are embodied in the following revised notice, copies of which can be obtained at the Post Office.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
HONGKONG, 1st March, 1886.

PARCEL POST.

N.B.—Limit of weight, 7 lbs. A Receipt will be given for each Parcel.

To	POSTAGE PER lb.	LIMIT OF SIZE.	PROHIBITED ARTICLES.
	<i>cents.</i>		
Hongkong, China, Japan, Corea, Siam,	10	2 ft. by 1 ft., by 1 ft.	Opium.
Straits Settlements, Ceylon, India,	15	Do., and not smaller than 3 in; by 2 in., by 2 in.	Do.
United Kingdom, via Gibraltar only,	25	} 3 ft. 6 in. long, or 6 ft. in greatest length and girth combined.	Tobacco, except for personal use.
Windward and Leeward Is.,† Trinidad, British } Guiana,.....	45	
Constantinople, (via London),	40	
Cyprus, (via London),	50	Do.	Coins, Tobacco.
Cape Town,	55	Do.	Letters.
Other places in Cape Colony,	65	Do.	Do.
Jamaica,	50	2 ft. long, or 4 ft. in length and girth combined.
Belgium, (via London),	30	2 ft. in any direction.	Letters.
Germany, (via London),	30	Do.	Letters, Vines or parts of Vines.

† Antigua, Montserrat, S. Kitts, Nevis, Dominica, Virgin Is.; Grenada, S. Lucia, S. Vincent, Tobago.

1.—TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND PLACES BEYOND.—Parcels are forwarded by P. & O. packet only, and arrive in London about 8 days later than the Mail. They must be posted before 3 P.M. on the day before the Mail leaves. Those arriving from the Coast, &c. after this hour are kept for the next P. & O. Mail. No further charge is made on delivery except for Customs Dues, which (in the United Kingdom) apply to no articles ordinarily sent from China except Tea, Tobacco, and Gold or Silver plate.* A Declaration of Contents and Value is required with each parcel. The form is supplied free.

* No Customs duty is charged on Watches, Jewellery, Personal Ornaments, or any articles not describable as *Plate*. Duties cannot be prepaid by the sender.

2.—The inward parcel mail is not opened until the distribution of letters, &c. is finished. The postage on parcels to China is 10d. per lb., and they are sent out *via Gibraltar*. Parcels may be posted at any Post Office in the United Kingdom, and are delivered free at Hongkong, Macao, Canton, Hoihow, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, Shanghai and Hankow; or, at the addressee's risk, with the mails for other places in China. Parcels may also be forwarded from the places named above.

3.—To CEYLON.—Parcels are forwarded by P. & O. packet only.

4.—To INDIA.—By P. & O. and Indian Mail packet only. A declaration of Contents and Value is required. The form is supplied free.

5.—To GERMANY.—Parcels must be sealed, and the net weight of the contents, as well as the gross weight of the parcel must be entered on the declaration.

6.—GENERAL RULES.—Parcels may be sealed, but any parcel, even though sealed, is liable to be opened for examination. Dangerous or perishable goods, opium, articles likely to injure the mails, liquids (unless securely packed), and fragile packages are prohibited. No Parcel must exceed \$250 in value. A Parcel may contain a letter to the same address as that of the Parcel itself (except in cases where the enclosure of letters is prohibited) or another Parcel to that address, but no other enclosure.

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NOTICE.

Masters of Junks are warned to avoid anchoring over the Telegraph Cables lying between North Point and Kowloon Docks. Posts carrying large diamond shapes have been erected, two at North Point and two at Kowloon, and the Cables stretch in a direct line between these posts.

R. MURRAY RUMSEY, Ret. Com., R.N.,
Acting Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 24th February, 1886.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 82.

The following return from Mr. A. HUMPHREYS, of the quantity of Spirits distilled by the China Sugar Refining Company, Limited, is published for general information.

Proof Gallons.

Spirits manufactured during the quarter ended 28th February, 1886,.....67,689.

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FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th March, 1886.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 83.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Thursday, the 11th March, for constructing a culvert on the Peak road.

For form of tender apply at this Office.

For specification and further particulars apply at the Surveyor General's Office.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

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