

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 199.

The following Notification from the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th May, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

I hereby give notice, under the powers vested in me by Section VI of the *Fire Brigade Ordinance*, 1868, that so soon as any Fire shall have attained sufficient magnitude to require the assistance of Fire Engines, a cordon of Police will be established round the space required for the working of the Engines at such distance from the immediate scene of conflagration as I may deem desirable. Such facilities, however, will be allowed by the Police for the salvage of property as may be possible without interfering with the space required for the working of the Brigade.

No Persons will be allowed to pass through the lines drawn by the Police except such as are in Naval or Military Uniforms, in Fire Brigade dress, or in charge of Material to be used at the Fires, or having Badges as Fire Brigade Volunteers.

Any European or American desiring to obtain the Badge of the Fire Brigade can have it by applying to me on the understanding that whoever enters the lines by means of these Badges must immediately place himself under the directions of the Officers of the Fire Brigade.

H. E. WODEHOUSE,
Superintendent Fire Brigade.

Fire Brigade Office, Hongkong, 7th May, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 200.

The following Order in Council to regulate the Currency in the Colony of Labuan is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th May, 1887.

AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR,

The 25th day of March, 1887.

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY

LORD PRESIDENT

MARQUESS OF LOTHIAN

LORD STEWARD

WHEREAS no regulations at present exist respecting currency in Our colony of Labuan;

And whereas it is expedient that in Our said Colony a standard of value should be declared and that the coins constituting legal tender should be specified.

NOW, THEREFORE, We by the advice of Our Privy Council have thought fit to declare and ordain, and by the advice aforesaid, We do hereby declare and ordain, as follows:—

(1.) This Order in Council shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by the Lieutenant Governor, or Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Labuan, by Proclamation.

(2.) The standard of value in Our said Colony shall be the Mexican dollar containing 417.74 grains troy of silver of the millesimal fineness of 902.7 per 1,000.

(3.) The coins described in the Schedule to this Order in Council shall be deemed to bear to the Mexican dollar the ratio which is set against the name of each coin respectively, in the first column of the said Schedule.

(4.) A tender of payment of money if made in any of the coins named in the Schedule to this Order in Council which have not become diminished in weight by wear or otherwise so as to be of less weight than the weight specified in the said Schedule as minimum weight, and which are of the fineness specified in the said Schedule, shall be a legal tender in Our said Colony of Labuan.

In the case of dollars, yens, and Hongkong half dollars for a payment of any amount.

In the case of the other silver coins named in the said Schedule, for a payment of an amount not exceeding two dollars, but for no greater amount.

In the case of pieces of the denomination of 1 cent or less, for a payment of an amount not exceeding one dollar, but for no greater amount.

(5.) Nothing, however, herein contained shall be construed to alter or affect any contract made before this Order in Council comes into operation.

And the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury and the Right Honourable Sir Henry Thunstan Holland, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. L. PEEL.

SCHEDULE.

1. Equi- valent in Mexican Dollar.	2. Coin.	3. Metal.	4. Mille- simal Fineness.	5. Standard Weight.		6. Minimum Weight.		7. Limit of Tender.							
				Grains.	Grammes.	Grains.	Grammes.								
1	Mexican Dollar,	Silver	902.7	417.74	27.070	413.563	26.799	None							
1	American trade dollar,	"	900	420.00	27.215	415.800	26.943	"							
1	Japanese dollar or yen,	"	900	416.00	26.957	411.840	26.688	"							
1	Hongkong dollar, 1st issue,	"	900	419.052	27.150	414.862	26.879	"							
1	Do. do. 2nd issue,	"	900	416.00	26.957	411.840	26.688	"							
.50	Do. half dollar, 1st issue,	"	900	209.50	13.575	207.405	13.440	"							
.50	Do. do. 2nd issue,	"	900	208.00	13.478	205.920	13.344	"							
.50	Straits Settlements Half dollar,.....	"	800	209.52	13.576	199.044	12.898	2 dollars							
.20	Do. twenty cent piece,	"	800	83.81	5.430	79.620	5.159	"							
.10	Do. ten cent piece,.....	"	800	41.90	2.715	39.805	2.580	"							
.05	Do. five cent piece,.....	"	800	20.95	1.357	19.903	1.290	"							
.01	Do. one cent piece,.....	Copper or mixed metal.	—	144.00	9.331	—	—	1 dollar							
.005	Do. half cent piece,								"	—	72.00	4.665	—	—	"
.0025	Do. quarter cent piece,								"	—	36.00	2.333	—	—	"
.01	British North Borneo Co.'s one cent piece, }	Copper or mixed metal.	—	144.00	9.331	—	—	"							
.005	Do. do. half cent piece, }								"	—	72.00	4.665	—	—	"