

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 293.

The Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to grant to CHARLES CHRISTIAN MALSCH, Esquire, Assistant Engineer in the Public Works Department, three months and twenty days' vacation leave, with effect from the 7th instant.

Consequent on Mr. MALSCH's departure on leave, His Excellency has been pleased to appoint JAMES SAMPSON, Esquire, to be Acting Assistant Engineer in the Public Works Department.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 11th July, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 294.

The following Government Notification is re-published for general information:—

“GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 165.

Under the provisions of Sub-section 2, Section 15 of Ordinance 8 of 1879, the Governor in Council has been pleased to direct that:—

1. Certificates of Competency issued on and after the first day of January last may be exchanged for the new or Governor's Certificates, issued under the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 31st December, 1883, without the payment of a fee: and

2. As regards Certificates issued *prior* to that date, the holder of a Certificate of Competency desirous of obtaining a Governor's Certificate may be examined under the Regulations made by the Governor in Council (Sub-section 2, Section 15 of Ordinance 8 of 1879); and, if he passes at his first examination, he will receive a Governor's Certificate, and the fee he has paid will be returned to him; but, if he fails to pass at his first examination, the fee he has paid will be retained by the Treasury.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd May, 1884.”

Masters, Mates, and Engineers of the Mercantile Marine are hereby notified that no Certificate of Competency for the purpose of placing any Master, Mate, or Engineer on the Register or Articles of Agreement of a ship will, after the 30th September next, be recognized by the Harbour Master, unless such Certificate has been issued by the Board of Trade, by the Board of Examiners appointed by Ordinance 17 of 1860, or by Section 15 of Ordinance 8 of 1879, or by the Legislative Authority of a British Possession, under and subject to the provisions and conditions of the Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act, 1869.

It should be clearly understood that Hongkong Certificates granted before the 1st January, 1884, are not valid in the United Kingdom.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 295.

The following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on Monday, the 25th day of July, 1887, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 25th day of July, 1887, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	LOCALITY.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
			feet.	feet.	feet.	feet.		\$	
1	Kaulung Inland Lot No. 395	Yaumáti,	250	250	200	200	50,000	666	3,000

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

1. The highest bidder above the upset price shall be the Purchaser, and if any dispute arise between two or more bidders, the Lot shall be put up again at a former bidding.
2. No person shall at any bidding advance less than \$10.
3. Immediately after the fall of the hammer, the Purchaser shall sign the Memorandum of Agreement, hereinafter contained, for completing the purchase according to these Conditions, and shall, within Three Days of the day of sale, pay into the Colonial Treasury the full amount of Premium at which the Lot shall have been purchased.
4. The Purchaser of the Lot shall also pay to the Land Officer, on behalf of Her Majesty the QUEEN, the sum of \$10 within three days of the day of sale, for and in consideration of the Boundary Stones properly cut, fixed, and marked with the Registry Number, which shall be placed by the Surveyor General, for the Purchaser, at each angle of the Lot.
5. The Purchaser of the Lot shall also pay to the Land Officer, on behalf of Her Majesty The QUEEN, a Fee of \$15 upon the execution of the Crown Lease thereof.
6. The Purchaser of the Lot shall build and finish, fit for occupation, before the expiration of twelve calendar months from the day of sale, in a good, substantial and workmanlike manner, one or more good and permanent building or buildings upon some part of his Lot, with brick or cut stone and lime mortar walls, and tile roof, and in other respects in accordance with the conditions of the Buildings Ordinance, No. 8 of 1856, and shall lay out and expend thereon the sum of Seven thousand Dollars (\$7,000) at the least.
7. The Purchaser of the Lot shall pay into the Treasury a proportionate part of the annual rental specified in the particulars hereinbefore contained on the 25th day of December next, and thereafter shall pay such annual rental by equal half-yearly payments on the 24th day of June, and the 25th day of December in every Year.
8. When the conditions herein contained have been complied with to the satisfaction of the Surveyor General the Purchaser shall be entitled to, and shall execute on demand a Lease from the Crown of the Lot for 75 Years, to be computed from the day of Sale, at such Annual Rental, payable half-yearly on the 24th day of June and the 25th day of December in every Year, as is specified in the Particulars of the Lot hereinbefore contained; and such Crown Lease shall be subject to, and contain, all Exceptions, Reservations, Covenants, Clauses, and Conditions inserted in the Crown Leases of Kaulung Inland Lots in the Colony of Hongkong, and also a provision that, if in the event of War with a Foreign power it should become necessary in the opinion of the Officer Commanding Her Majesty's Forces for the buildings then standing upon the lot to be wholly or partially removed, then the same may be removed, by the orders of such Officer Commanding Her Majesty's Forces without notice, and the Purchaser shall have no claim against the Crown for compensation in respect of any such removal.
9. Should the Purchaser neglect, or fail to comply with these Conditions, his Premium or any portion thereof which may be paid, shall be thereupon forfeited to Her Majesty, who shall be at full liberty either to enforce the Sale, or to re-sell the Lot at such time and place, and in such manner as to Her Majesty shall seem fit, and in case of a re-sale the increase, if any, of the Premium or Purchase Money shall be retained by Her Majesty, and the deficiency, if any, and all Costs and Expenses shall be made good by the defaulter and be recoverable as liquidated damages.
10. Possession of the Lot sold shall be given to the Purchaser, and deemed to have been taken by him, on the day of sale.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BY THE PURCHASER.

Memorandum that

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the person whose name is hereunder written has been declared the highest bidder for the Lot described in the foregoing Particulars of Sale and hereunder specified opposite to his said name and signature respectively, and does hereby agree with Her Majesty the QUEEN to become the Lessee thereof under and subject to the foregoing Conditions of Sale, and on his part to perform and abide by the said Conditions.

Number of Sale Lot.	Registry Number and Description of Lot Purchased.	Annual Rental.	Amount of Premium at which Purchased.	Signature of Purchaser.
1	Kaulung Inland Lot No. 395	\$666		