

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 368.

The following Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the Month ended 31st August, 1887, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 10th September, 1887.

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,	885,957	300,000
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,	1,054,287	500,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,	2,918,032	1,500,000
TOTAL,.....\$	4,858,276	2,300,000

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 369.

The subjoined Regulations for Government Scholarships for the study of Law, Medicine, or Civil Engineering in the United Kingdom, have been approved by the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 10th September, 1887.

*Amended Regulations for Government Scholarships for the Study of
Law, Medicine, or Civil Engineering, in the United Kingdom,
(10th September, 1887.)*

1. The Government of Hongkong offers, for the study of Law, Medicine, or Civil Engineering in the United Kingdom, two Scholarships of £200 (two hundred pounds) each, per annum, for four years, to scholars of any Public School, recognized as such by the Governor, in the Colony of Hongkong, on the following conditions:—

2. One Scholarship will be awarded in each alternate year.

3. The holder of a Scholarship can select the Collegiate course he wishes to follow or the Institution where he is to study, subject to the approval of the Governor or the Secretary of State for the Colonies, but King's College, London, is recommended as the best suited for finishing the education of boys and for beginning the course of study required by men in the same establishment.

4. The Scholarships will be awarded, after competitive examination, to the Candidate who obtains the highest marks, but subject to the restrictions mentioned below in paragraphs 5, 6, and 7.

CANDIDATES.

5. The Candidates will be scholars, previously approved by the Governor, from any recognized Public School in the Colony of Hongkong, and will be required to bring the following certificates from the Head Master of the respective School:—

(a.) Certificate of good moral character.

(b.) Certificate of age. Candidates must not exceed 20 years, nor be below 17 years.

(c.) Certificates stating that they have been scholars, for at least the three (3) years last past previous to the Examination, at the School that presents them or at any two of the Public Schools recognized by the Governor.

6. Every Candidate will be required to undergo a Medical Examination with a view to ascertaining that he is in a sound state of health.

7. The successful Candidate will be required,

(a.) To proceed to England within two months of his election.

(b.) On his arrival there to report himself to the Colonial Office as having entered his name at the College or Institution, approved by the Governor or Secretary of State, forwarding in proof thereof a letter from the Principal.

(c.) To forward quarterly to the Crown Agents for the Colonies a certificate of good conduct and proficiency in study from the Principal or Head, upon receipt of which the quarterly instalment of his Scholarship will be paid to him.

8. The holder of the Scholarship will cease to be entitled to draw any money, if he fail in any of these requirements.

9. Passage will be paid to England by the Government, and in special cases, where the Headmaster certifies it to be absolutely necessary, an advance of \$150 will be made for purposes of outfit, but the whole amount so advanced for outfit must be repaid through the Crown Agents, in quarterly instalments, during the first year of the Scholarship.

10. Return passage will also be paid, if nothing shall have occurred to disqualify the holder of the Scholarship.

11. The holder of the Scholarship will not be allowed to remove to another College or Institution without the permission of the Secretary of State.

EXAMINATION.

12. The time of examination will be within the last fourteen days of the month of October.

13. The next examination will take place in October, 1888, and due notice of the day and hour will be given in the *Government Gazette*.

EXAMINERS.

14. The Examiners will be the Syndicate of the University of Cambridge.

15. The Inspector of Schools will act as local Presiding Examiner, and may associate with himself for the purpose such person or persons as may be approved by the Governor.

SUBJECTS.

16. The subjects, with the maximum marks attached, will be the following:—

English Grammar,	100	} 600
.. Composition.....	200	
.. History.	150	
.. Literature.	150	
Geography,	100	} 500
Arithmetic.	100	
Algebra.	100	
Euclid,	100	
Mensuration,	100	

Latin, or Chemistry, or both, may be offered instead of Euclid, or Mensuration, or both, and will be allowed 100 marks each.

17. No candidate will be elected who fails to get 400 marks in the four English subjects, together with 300 marks in the remaining subjects.

DETAILS OF SUBJECTS.

18. *History*.—An epoch to be selected from time to time by the Inspector of Schools.

Literature.—A hand-book on English literature, and a special play of Shakespeare, or work of any other English poet, to be selected from time to time by the Inspector of Schools.

Geography.—General, political, and physical geography, but special knowledge of the British Isles, of the British Colonies and Dependencies, and of China, will be required.

Arithmetic.—All the subjects included in the usual standard text books.

Algebra.—To quadratic equations (inclusive).

Euclid.—Books I to IV.

Mensuration.—Lengths, areas, volumes, and areas of the surfaces of solids.

Latin.—A book of Cæsar, with grammar and translation of short simple sentences into Latin.

Chemistry.—Elementary.

19. Within a month after the conclusion of an examination, the details concerning the subjects of the next ensuing examination will be published in the *Government Gazette*.

RESULT OF EXAMINATION.

20. Immediately after the receipt of the decision of the Examiners, the names of the first six Candidates will be published, in each case, in the *Government Gazette* in the order of merit, with the number of marks obtained and the names of the Schools where they were educated.

CORRESPONDENCE.

21. All correspondence with the Government and with the Syndicate of the University of Cambridge, on subjects connected with the Government Scholarships, must be sent through the Inspector of Schools for the time being.

22. Candidates who intend to compete at the next examination should file their applications at the Office of the Inspector of Schools, not later than 1st May next, by using the printed forms approved, for the purpose, by the Governor. The complete list of Candidates, to be submitted for the approval of the Governor, will be open for the inspection of Headmasters during the first week in May.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 370.

With reference to the Amended Regulations for Government Scholarships for the study of Law, Medicine, or Civil Engineering in the United Kingdom, the following additional details have been approved by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government:—

1.—PUBLIC SCHOOLS RECOGNIZED BY THE GOVERNOR.

The following Public Schools are, until further notice, recognized by the Governor as qualified to present Candidates for competition for the above mentioned Government Scholarships, viz., the Government Central School, the Hongkong Public School, St. Joseph's College, the Diocesan (Home and Orphanage) School, and the Victoria English School.

2.—DETAILS OF SUBJECTS.

The following additional details of subjects, selected by the Inspector of Schools, for the purpose of the next examination to be held in October, 1888, have been definitively approved:—

History.—In addition to general questions regarding the outlines of English History, special questions will be set with reference to the period of the Plantagenets (from Henry II to Richard II).

English Literature.—The period from the Conquest to Chaucer's death, as treated in chapters III and IV of Morley's First Sketch of English Literature. General questions will also be set with reference to the History of English Literature (Stopford Brooke's English Literature Primer).

Play of Shakespeare.—Julius Cæsar (with simple questions on the history of the words and the construction of sentences, and other questions arising out of the subject).

Latin.—Cæsar de Bello Gallico. Liber I. Grammatical and other questions will be set on the language and subject matter of the book. One or more easy passages, not contained in the book, will be set for translation into Latin, a vocabulary of the less familiar words being given.

Chemistry.—The non-metallic elements, with special reference to Oxygen, Hydrogen, Nitrogen, Carbon, and their Compounds (Roscoe's Lessons on Elementary Chemistry).

3.—FORMS OF APPLICATION.

For the purpose of filing the information required by Paragraphs 5 and 6 of the above Amended Regulations, the subjoined Forms of Application (A. to E.), copies of which can be obtained at the Office of the Inspector of Schools, are approved until further notice:—