GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 530.

Tenders will be received at this Office up till Noon of Tuesday, the 20th instant, for the sole privilege of Slaughtering Animals within the Colony for Twelve Months, commencing on the 1st of

January, 1888.

No tender will be received, unless the person tendering produces a receipt to the effect that he has deposited in the Colonial Treasury the sum of \$250, as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if such person refuses to carry out his tender, should the tender be accepted.

Each tender must be addressed to the Colonial Secretary, and state the exact amount offered as

Rent for the above period, which Rent shall be payable monthly, and in advance.

The tender should also state the calling and residence of the person tendering, and afford similar information as to the sureties to be offered.

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

The conditions on which the privilege will be granted are the following:—

1. The Lessee shall be entitled to the use and occupation of the slaughter-houses provided under Ordinance 17 of 1887, and no animal shall be slaughtered for the food of man except in one or other of these slaughter-houses.

2. The Lessee shall not sublet or assign any part of his privilege without the written

permission of the Registrar General.

3. The Lessee shall not knowingly permit any animal to be slaughtered in any of the slaughter-houses of the Colony, until it has been inspected and marked by an Inspector of Live stock.

4. The Lessee shall provide all persons necessary for the purpose of slaughtering animals and dressing the carcases thereof, together with a sufficient supply of hot water, and shall have the same in readiness at all times for the service of persons making use of

the slaughter-houses.

5. The Lessee shall provide the proper instruments, appliances, and utensils required for the purpose of slaughtering, and he shall cause all such articles to be thoroughly cleansed immediately after the completion of the process of slaughtering in which they have been used, and he shall also cause every such utensil when not in actual use to be kept thoroughly clean.

6. The Lessee shall at all times slaughter any animal or dress any carcase for sale on payment to him of a fee not exceeding twenty cents for each animal weighing less than one picul, or forty cents for each animal weighing more, besides the blood of such animal, which the Lessee may retain; and if he asks or takes any other fee, he shall forfeit his privilege, and be liable to a prosecution under Section 13 of Ordinance 17 of 1887.

7. The weight of each animal for the purposes of the preceding condition shall be ascertained

before it is slaughtered.

8. The Lessee shall cause the means of ventilation and drainage provided in or in connexion with the slaughter-houses to be kept, at all times, in proper and efficient action.

9. The Lessee shall cause the means of water-supply provided in or in connexion with the

slaughter-houses to be kept, at all times, in proper order.

- 10. The Lessee shall provide a sufficient number of vessels or receptacles, properly constructed of some non-absorbent material, and furnished with closely fitting covers, for the purpose of receiving and conveying from the slaughter-houses of the Colony all blood, manure, garbage, filth, or other refuse products of the slaughtering of animals, or the dressing of any carcase therein. He shall forthwith, upon the completion of the slaughtering of animals or the dressing of any carcase in the slaughter-houses of the Colony, cause such blood, manure, garbage, filth, or other refuse products to be collected and deposited in such vessels or receptacles, and he shall cause all the contents of such vessels or receptacles to be removed from the slaughter-houses at least once in every twenty-four hours. He shall cause every such vessel or receptacle to be thoroughly cleansed immediately after such vessel or receptacle shall have been used for such collection and removal, and shall cause every such vessel or receptacle when not in actual use to be kept thoroughly clean.
- 11. The Lessee shall cause every part of the internal surface of the walls and every part of the floors of the slaughter-houses in the Colony to be kept, at all times, in good order and repair, so as to prevent the absorption therein of any blood or liquid refuse or filth which may be spilled or splashed thereon, or any offensive or noxious matter which may be deposited thereon or brought in contact therewith. He shall cause every part of the internal surface of the slaughter-houses above the floor to be either thoroughly washed with hot lime-wash, or tarred, at least four times in every year. He shall cause every part of the floors of such slaughter-houses, and every part of the internal surface of every wall on which any blood or liquid refuse or filth may have been spilled or splashed, or with which any offensive or noxious matter may have been brought in

contact during the process of slaughtering or dressing in such slaughter-houses, to be thoroughly washed and cleansed within three hours after the completion of such slaughtering or dressing.

12. The Lessee shall cause the hide or skin, fat, and offal of every animal slaughtered in the slaughter-houses of the Colony to be removed therefrom within twenty-four hours after

the completion of the slaughtering of such animal.

13. The Lessee shall not at any time keep any dog or cause any dog to be kept in any of the slaughter-houses of the Colony. He shall not at any time keep, or cause, or suffer to be kept in any of the slaughter-houses any animals of which the flesh may be used for the food of man, unless such animal be so kept in preparation for the slaughtering thereof upon the premises, and he shall not keep such animal or cause or suffer such animal to be kept in any of the slaughter-houses for a longer period than may be necessary for the purpose of preparing such animal for the process of slaughtering. He shall cause all animals kept in preparation for slaughtering to be confined in the stalls, points or lairs provided on the premises for this purpose.

14. The Lessee shall cause every animal brought to any of the slaughter-houses in the Colony,

Lessee shall cause every animal brought to any of the slaughter-houses in the Colony, and confined in any stall, pen, or lair upon the premises previous to being slaughtered, to be provided during such confinement with a sufficient quantity of wholesome water.

15. Animals confined in the stalls, lairs, or pens attached to the slaughter-houses shall have at least the following space allotted to them, viz.:—

Every ox or cow (8 feet by 2 feet) 16 superficial feet.

Every sheep or pig (4 feet by 1 foot) 4 superficial feet.

The Lessee shall not permit any of his servants to live in any of the slaughter-houses except with the written permission of the Sanitary Board, and he shall not allow any other person except such servants to have sleeping accommodation in the slaughter-houses.

The Lessee shall not interfere with the slaughtering of goats by or for the Indian Troops or Indian

Police quartered in the Colony.

The Lessee shall be bound in the strictest manner by the slaughter-houses provisions of Ordinance.

17 of 1887, and also by the By-laws made thereunder.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 12th December, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 531.

The following Lots of Crown Land at Yaumati, Kaulung, will be sold by Public Auction, on Monday, the 19th day of December, 1887, at 4 P.M.

Kaulung Inland Lots Nos. 310, 311, 312, and 280.

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale see Government Notification No. 520 of the 10th instant.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th December, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 532.

The following Lot of Crown Land at the Junction of Pokfulam Road and Hill Road, will be sold by Public Auction, on Tuesday, the 20th day of December; 1887, at 3.30 P.M.

Inland Lot No. 1,095.

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale see Government Notification No. 521 of the 10th instant.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th December, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 533.

The following Lot of Crown Land at the South side of Mount Kellett, The Peak, will be sold by Public Auction, on Wednesday, the 21st day of December, 1887, at 4 P.M.

Rural Building Lot No. 54.

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale see Government Notification No. 522 of the 19th instant.

By Command.

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th December, 1887.