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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 552.

The Governor has been pleased to grant to NORMAN GILBERT MITCHELL-INNES, Esquire, Acting Police Magistrate, four months' vacation leave.

Consequent on Mr. MITCHELL INNES's departure on leave, His Excellency has been pleased to appoint THOMAS SERCOMBE SMITH, Esquire, to be Acting Police Magistrate.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th December, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 553.

It is hereby notified that the Honourable HENRY GEORGE THOMSETT, R.N., Harbour Master, &c., returned to the Colony on the 24th instant, and resumed the duties of his Office.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th December, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 554.

The Governor-in-Council has been pleased to appoint ALFRED GASCOYNE WISE, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be Secretary to the Commissioners who are enquiring into the cause of the sickness prevailing in the Western District.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 30th December, 1887.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 555.

Notice is hereby given that all petitions addressed to His Excellency the Governor, and letters forwarded to the Colonial Secretary or other Public Officer are required to be signed by the persons on whose behalf they are made, and henceforward, under ordinary circumstances, consideration will be given to a vicarious communication only when made by an Attorney, Solicitor, or other person holding a Power of Attorney, or otherwise duly authorized to act, on behalf of a principal absent from the Colony.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 31st December, 1887.