GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 74.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Thursday, the 23rd instant, for planting Trees.

For form of tender apply at this Office.

For specifications and further particulars, apply at the Office of the Botanical and Afforestation Department.

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

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th February, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 75.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Monday, the 27th instant, for cutting a path from the Shaukiwan Road to the Tytam Valley.

For form of tender apply at this Office.

For specification and further particulars apply at the Surveyor General's Office.

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

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th February, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 76.

The following Lots of Crown Land at Mongkok, Kowloon, will be sold by Public Auction, on Monday, the 20th day of February, 1888, at 2.30 p.m.

Inland Lots Nos. 422 to 438 inclusive.

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale see Government Notification No. 61 of the 11th instant. By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th February, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 35.

The following Government Notification is re-published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial ecretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th January, 1888.

No. 74.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Paper from the Medical Department of the Privy Council Office, on the subject of Re-vaccination, which has been transmitted to this Government by the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, is published for general information.

By Command,

CECIL C. SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 11th April, 1872.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE.

RE-VACCINATION.

By vaccination in infancy, if thoroughly well-performed and successful, most people are completely insured, for their whole life-time, against an attack of small-pox; and in the proportionately few cases where the protection is less complete, small-pox, if it be caught, will, in consequence of the vaccination, generally be so mild a disease as not to threaten death or disfigurement. If however the vaccination in early life has been but imperfectly performed, or has from any other cause been but imperfectly successful, the protection against small-pox is much less satisfactory; neither lasting so long, nor while it lasts being nearly so complete, as the protection which first-rate vaccination gives. Hitherto, unfortunately, there has always been a very large quantity of imperfect vaccination; and in consequence the population always contains very many persons who, though nominally vaccinated and believing themselves to be protected against small-pox, are really liable to infection, and may in some cases contract as severe forms of small-pox as if they had never been vaccinated. Partly because of the existence of this large number of imperfectly vaccinated persons, and partly because also even the best infantine vac-