GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 521.

The following Bills, which were read a first time at a Meeting of the Legislative Council held this day, are published for general information.

Arathoon Seth, Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, Hongkong, 28th November, 1888.

A BILL

EXCIPIED

An Ordinance for the naturalization of Tsu Tak-PIU (徐德標) otherwise CHING Ú (清湖)

W HEREAS TSU TAK-PIU otherwise CHING U has petitioned to be naturalized as a British subject within the limits of this Colony, and whereas it is expedient that he should be so naturalized: Be it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Tsü Tak-piu otherwise Ching $\acute{\mathbf{U}}$ shall be, and he is hereby naturalized a British subject within this Colony, and shall enjoy within this Colony, but not elsewhere, all the rights, advantages, and privileges of a British subject, on his taking the oath of allegiance under the provisions of the Promissory Oaths Ordinance, 1869.

A BILL

ENTITLED

The Coroner's Abolition Ordinance Supplemental Ordinance, 1888.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Loriel advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

1. Whenever any enquiry as to the cause of a death has been held by a Magistrate without a jury under the provisions of Ordinance 17 of 1888 the Magistrate shall forthwith return the depositions taken by him on such enquiry to the Attorney General together with a certificate in the form in the Schedule hereto duly filled up and signed by

SCHEDULE.

I hereby certify that on the day of I beld under the provisions of Ordinance 17 of 1888, an enquiry as to the cause of a death in and that the following particulars were then disclosed:—

Name of deceased.
 Residence and occupation.
 Height, colour of hair, clothing and other means of identity.
 Where found, and when, and under what circumstances.
 Date of death.
 The names of the persons last seen in the company of the

*7. The names of the persons last seen in the company of the

*8. Any suspicious circumstances which point to any person or persons as having caused the death.

Note.—The following are the names, residence and collings of the witnesses examined:—

I have issued my warrant for the arrest of on a charge of

Police Magistrate.

To be filled up in case the death is supposed to have been caused by improper means.

BILL

ENTITLED

The Statute Law Preservation Ordinance, 1886, Amendment Ordinance, 1888.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:-

1. Ordinance No. 31 of 1886 is hereby amended as follows, viz. :

In Section 2 by striking out the words "Ordinances No. 7 of 1864 and No. 10 of 1875 are," and inserting in place thereof the words, "Ordinance No. 10 of 1875 is."

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 522.

It is hereby notified that the following Ordinances have received Her Majesty's confirmation and

Ordinance No. 18 of 1888. - The French Mail Steamers Ordinance continuation Ordinance, 1888. Ordinance No. 19 of 1888.—The German Mail Steamers Ordinance continuation Ordinance, 1888.

By Command,

ARATHOON SETH, for the Colonial Secretary.

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

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 523.

It is hereby notified that, a question having arisen in a Colony possessing a Silver Standard as to the amount of salary bringing an Officer within the operation of Colonial Regulations 83 and 96n, the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been pleased to decide, without attempting to establish any arbitrary relation between Gold and Silver, to fix upon a salary not exceeding \$600 as bringing an Officer within the last named regulation.

This decision will also apply proportionately to Colonial Regulations 66, 74, 99, and 153.

By Command,

Arathoon Seth, for the Colonial Secretary.

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

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. -- No. 524.

The following Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

ARATHOON SETH, for the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th November, 1888.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that for the present, and until greater progress shall have been made with the laying of the new water mains in the town, proposed new house-connections with the mains will have to stand over. Due notice will be given when applications may be sent in for leave to effect such connections.

J. M. PRICE. Surveyor General.

Public Works Department, Hongkong, 27th November, 1888.