

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 304.

The following Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the Month ended 30th June, 1889, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th July, 1889.

| BANKS. | AVERAGE AMOUNT. | SPECIE IN RESERVE. |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China, | 1,282,320 | 450,000 |
| Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, | 1,648,047 | 650,000 |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, | 3,180,404 | 1,500,000 |
| TOTAL,.....\$ | 6,110,771 | 2,600,000 |

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 305.

The following Hydrographic Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th July, 1889.

Government of India.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—(MARINE).

NOTICE TO MARINERS,—(No. 50).

BAY OF BENGAL—BURMA COAST.

Intended alteration of Savage Island Light—Port of Akyab.

The Port Officer, Rangoon, through Commander Alfred Carpenter, R.N., in charge Marine Survey of India, has given notice that it is intended to alter both the height and character of the Savage Island light at the entrance of the Port of Akyab, on the coast of Arracan, by raising the present tower 20 feet, and substituting a 1st class light for the present 3rd class one.

The alterations will be taken in hand at the commencement of the next cold season.

During the alterations the present light will be exhibited from a temporary wooden structure close to and to the southward of the present Light-house, and of the same height, that is, 98 feet above H. W. level.

The transferring of the present light from the present structure to the temporary wooden one will take some days, and during this time a blue light will be burnt from the foot of the present structure every quarter of an hour from sunset to sunrise.

As the present light, when removed to the temporary structure, will be obscured to the northward by the permanent Light-house, a white light will be hoisted on the flagstaff at Fakir Point, as a guide to vessels entering and leaving the port at night. The new light will be a first class dioptric one, fixed and flashing at intervals of one minute, exhibited from a masonry tower at a height of 118 feet above H. W. level, and visible on a clear night at a distance of 16 to 18 miles. Its arc of visibility will be the same as the present light, viz., 264° from seaward.

By direction of the Government of Bengal,

EATON W. PETLEY,
Port Officer of Calcutta.

PORT OFFICE, Calcutta, the 31st May 1889.