

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 494.

The Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint ARTHUR CHAPMAN, Esquire, to be Assessor under *The Rating Ordinance, 1888*.

By Command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 30th November, 1889.

A. LISTER,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 495.

It is hereby notified that, from and after this date, the holders of Certificates of Competency, granted by the Board of Trade, or by the Government of any British possession, under the provisions of *The Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act, 1869*, will not be examined for Certificates of the same grade and legal value issued by the Government of Hongkong.

By Command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 5th December, 1889.

A. LISTER,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 496.

The following Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th December, 1889.

A. LISTER,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

## NOTICE.

Applications for Passage Brokers' Licences for the year 1890, under Ordinance No. 1 of 1889, will be received at this Office from the 9th instant to 31st instant.

Applicants are requested to state the names and addresses of the parties they offer as sureties.

R. MURRAY RUMSEY, Ret. Com., R.N.,  
*Emigration Officer, &c.*

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 3rd December, 1889.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 497.

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

By Command.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th December, 1889.

A. LISTER,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China, .....	1,363,797	460,000
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, .....	1,466,413	540,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, .....	3,695,187	1,500,000
TOTAL,.....\$	6,525,397	2,500,000