

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 94.

The following Notice is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd March, 1898.

NOTICE.

On and after the 1st March, samples of glass, liquids, greases and colouring powders, will be admitted to the Inland Postal Service of the United Kingdom. Such samples may therefore from this date be sent to the United Kingdom subject to the conditions as to packing, &c. laid down in paragraphs 82 to 88 of the Postal Guide. The following articles being subject to Customs Duty cannot be sent by Sample Post, viz. :—

- (1) *Liquids*.—Spirits of any description, including Naphtha, or Methylic Alcohol, purified so as to be potable, and mixtures and preparations containing spirits.

Perfumed Spirits.	Ethyl, Iodide of.
Chloroform.	Ethyl, Chloride.
Collodion.	Ethyl, Bromide.
Ether, Acetic.	Wine.
Ether, Butyric.	Wine, Medicated.
Ether, Sulphuric.	Beer.

- (2) *Other than Liquids*.—Chloral Hydrate, Confectionery and Transparent Soap in the manufacture of which spirit has been used.

There are, besides, many other articles, such as Proprietary Medicines, Tinctures, Dentifrices, and the like, which, although not specifically defined in the Tariff, have sometimes been found on Test to contain Ethylic Alcohol or other liquids rendering the importation liable to Customs Duties. No definite list of these articles can be furnished.

A. M. THOMSON,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898.

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POSTAL NOTES.

1. Postal Notes of the values named below, payable within three months at any Post Office in the United Kingdom, or at Constantinople, can be obtained at Hongkong or at any British Post Office in China at the following prices, which include Commission :—

1/-	56 cents.
1/6	84 "
5/-	\$ 2.80
10/-	\$ 5.60
20/-	\$11.20

2. The purchaser of any Postal Note must fill in the Payee's name before parting with it. He may also fill in the name of the Office where payment is to be made. If this is not done the note is payable (within three months) anywhere in the United Kingdom, or at Constantinople. Any Postal Note may be crossed to a Bank.

3. Postal Notes should *always* be forwarded in *Registered Covers*. If this precaution is not taken NO ENQUIRIES WHATEVER will be made as to the loss or alleged loss of any Note.

4. Postal Notes issued in the United Kingdom are NOT payable in Hongkong or China.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
HONGKONG, 4th March, 1898.