GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 234.

The following Return of Civil and Appeal Cases heard in the Supreme Court in 1897, is published.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 20th May, 1898.

No. 89.

Supreme Court, Hongkong, 29th April, 1898.

Sir,—I have the honour to forward to you herewith the Return of Civil and Appeal Cases heard in the Supreme Court in 1897.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. W. Norton-Kyshe, Registrar.

The Honourable

THE ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY, &c., &c.

1897. CASES TRIED.

Jurisdiction.	In Depend- ency in 1896.	No. of Cases in 1897.	Total.	Debt and Damages.	Settled or Withdrawn before Trial.	Judgment.				ey.	Debt
						Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Non-Suit.	Struck Out, Dismissed, and Lapsed Writs.	In Dependency.	and Damages Recovered.
Original,	61	79	140	\$216,018.72*	5	17	4	• • •	•••	53	\$71,974.30
Summary,	-14	1,847	1,362	\$164,686.09	539	511	54	15	143	85	\$69,654.13

^{*} Exclusive of two cases wherein the amounts claimed were £847.13s. 1d. and Tacls 3,500.

1897. APPEALS.

	APPEALS	S COMMENCED.		Appeals Tried.					
No. of Cases.		Judgment.		No. of	Judgment.				
	Appellant.	Respondent.	Pending.	Cases.	Appellant.	Respondent.	Pending.		
7	7			7	1	6			

J. W. NORTON-KYSHE, Registrar.

Supreme Court, Hongkong, 29th April, 1898.