

The certificate herein provided for shall entitle such Chinese laborer, to whom the same is issued, to return to and re-enter this port, upon producing and delivering the same to the Collector of Customs of said port, and said certificate shall be the only evidence permissible to establish his right of re-entry, but said certificate may be controverted and the facts therein disproved by the United States Authorities. Upon delivering such certificate by such Chinese laborer to the Collector of Customs at the time of re-entry into this port, said Collector shall cause the same to be filed in the Custom House, and duly cancelled.

I am, with great respect,
Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) T. A. OLLIS,
Military Governor.

To
HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S CONSUL,
Port of Manila, P.I.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 426.

Notice is hereby given that Gun practice will be carried out by the crew of H.M.S. *Immortalité* from the shore to the Eastward of Kowloon Docks across Kowloon Bay towards Channel Rock from Thursday next, the 22nd instant, for seven days.

All ships, junks and other vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

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

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 427.

Information has been received from the Military Authorities that Artillery Practice will take place from the 5th to the 12th October, 1898, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily, as follows:—

From Belchers in Northerly and North-Westerly directions.

All ships, junks and other vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the ranges.

The inhabitants of the houses near Belchers are warned to keep their glass windows open during the practice, and all people working in the vicinity of Belchers' Battery are also warned to keep clear of that part which will be indicated by gunners placed on sentry for the purpose.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 23rd September, 1898.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 428.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Wednesday, the 2nd November, 1898, for—

The general surface scavenging of, and the removal of household and trade refuse, and animal manure from, the City of Victoria and Hill District.

For specification, period of contract and full particulars apply at the Sanitary Board Offices, "Beaconsfield House."

No tender will be received unless the person tendering produces a receipt to the effect that he has deposited in the Treasury the sum of \$250 as a pledge of the *bona fides* of his tender, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if such person refuses to enter into the usual bond, should the tender be accepted.

For form of tender apply at this Office.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th September, 1898.