

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 573.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Subadar Major FERUZ KHAN, The Hongkong Regiment, to be his Honorary Aide-de-Camp.

By His Excellency's Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 15th December, 1898.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 574.

With reference to Government Notification No. 566 of the 10th instant, His Excellency the Governor has been further pleased to appoint ARATHOON SETH, Barrister-at-Law, to be Acting Registrar of Companies with effect from the 15th instant, during the absence of J. W. NORTON KYSHE, or until further notice.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th December, 1898.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 575.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Ordinance 6 of 1875, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Tuesday, the 27th December, and Monday, the 2nd January, to be observed as Public Holidays in substitution for Christmas Day and New Year's Day respectively.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 15th December, 1898.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 576.

The following Letter is published.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th December, 1898.

BANGKOK, *November 28, 1898.*

SIR,—I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that I have to-day received a Note dated the 26th instant from the Siamese Minister for Foreign Affairs stating that the Regent Lighthouse situated at the Bar at the mouth of the Menam which hitherto displayed a fixed light would, from and after the 16th of November, 1898, display an occulting light, the period of occultation lasting 5 seconds and the period of the exposure of the light lasting 15 seconds.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

GEORGE GREVILLE,
*H.B.M. Minister Resident and
Consul-General.*

His Excellency
THE GOVERNOR,
Hongkong.