## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 132.

The following Circular Despatch is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 8th March, 1901.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET, 11th January, 1901.

SIR, I have the honour to acquaint you, for the information of any persons who may be interested in the matter, that an official translation (in French) of the statutes and regulations with regard to the late Dr. Alfred Bernhard Nobel's Bequest, approved by His Majesty the King of Sweden and Norway, has now been published, and that the Chargé d'Affaires for Sweden and Norway at this Court has asked that as much publicity as possible may be given to the contents of the publication.

It is understood that the amount available under the Bequest for distribution annually in prizes to meritorious inventors and others is about £40,000; that it is divisible into five equal parts to be assigned (1) for the most important discovery in physical science, (2) for the most important discovery or improvement in chemistry, (3) for the most important discovery in physiology or medicine (4) for the most remarkable literary work and (5) for the greatest service in the cause of the service of the International peace: that the first distribution of prizes will take place on the 10th of December in this year; and that the competition is open to everyone without regard to nationality.

I have the honour to be,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of Hongkong.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 133.

The following Circular Despatch with its enclosure is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th March, 1901.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET, 30th January, 1901.

With reference to my telegram of the 25th instant, in which I informed you that the order for general mourning for Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, stated that all persons were expected to put themselves into deepest mourning from the 28th instant, I have now the honour to transmit to you a Supplement to the London Gazette containing a further Notice issued by the Earl Marshal intimating that after the 6th March next, it will not be desired or expected that the public should appear in deep mourning, but that half-mourning should be worn until the 17th April next.

I have the honour to be,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of

Hongkong.

Earl Marshal's Office, January 28, 1901.

In pursuance of the Order for a General Mourning for Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, of blessed memory, which was announced in a Supplement of the Gazette of the 24th instant,

These are to give notice, that after the 6th day of March next it will not be desired or expected that the Public should appear in deep mourning, but that Half Mourning should be worn until the 17th day of April next.

NORFOLK, Earl Marshal,