

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 437.

The following Order is published.

By Command.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

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

## ORDER

*Made by the Governor in Council, under section 11 of The Patent Ordinance, 1892, this 1st day of August, 1901.*

## PATENT FEES.

1. Schedule C to The Patent Ordinance, 1892, is hereby amended by the addition of the following clause thereto, namely :—

“Where the owner by assignment of any invention, or of the exclusive right thereto within this Colony, petitions the Governor for Letters Patent, and for such assignment no money consideration or a merely nominal money consideration passes, the Stamp duty payable in this Colony with respect to such assignment shall be \$10 instead of \$25.”

2. This Order in Council shall take effect on the 20th day of August, 1901, and shall then be in substitution for the Order in Council made under the Stamp Ordinance, 1886, on the 31st day of August, 1900, which was published in Government Notification No. 450 of 1900.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
HONGKONG.

R. E. JOHNSTON,  
*Acting Clerk of Councils.*

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 438.

The following Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the Month ended 31st July, 1901, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

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

| BANKS.  | AVERAGE<br>AMOUNT. | SPECIE<br>IN RESERVE. |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
|   | \$                 | \$                    |
| Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, ..... | 2,722,283          | 1,600,000             |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, .....    | 8,075,467          | 5,000,000             |
| National Bank of China, Limited, .....              | 440,485            | 150,000               |
| TOTAL, .....  | \$ 11,238,235      | 6,750,000             |

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 413.

Tenders will be received at this Office until Noon of Wednesday, the 14th day of August, 1901, for the removal of excretal matters from the City of Victoria and Hill Districts and the management of free public latrines in the City of Victoria.

For form of tender, apply at this Office.

For specifications, period of contract and full particulars of the services apply at the Sanitary Board Office, 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 *bonâ fides* of his tender, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if the person tendering refuses to enter into the usual bond, should his tender be accepted.

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

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 25th July, 1901.