GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.— No. 485.

Information has been received from His Britannic Majesty's Consul at Amoy that the Port of Amoy is now free from Plague, and that clean Bills of Health are now being issued there.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 5th September, 1901.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 486.

The following Circular despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and its enclosure, are published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th September, 1901.

CIRCULAR.

Downing Street, 25th July, 1901.

Sir,—With reference to Lord Knutsford's Circular despatch dated the 22nd April, 1890, forwarding an Order in Council giving effect to the Convention of 12th June, 1889, between this Country and the United States of America for the extradition of Fugitive Criminals, I have the honour to transmit to you, for publication in the Colony, a copy of an Order of His Majesty the King in Council, dated the 26th June, 1901, giving effect to a supplementary Convention between the United Kingdom and the United States of America for the same purpose, which was signed at Washington on the 13th December, 1900, and of which the ratifications were exchanged on the 22nd April, 1901.

It will be observed that by Article I of the Convention certain crimes are added to the list of crimes in the first Article of the 1889 Convention on account of which extradition may be granted.

I have the honour to be,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of Hongkong.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Saint James's, 26th June, 1901.

EXTRADITION CONVENTION.—AMERICA.

At the Court at Saint James's, the 26th day of June, 1901.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.

Lord Privy Seal.

Duke of Norfolk.

Duke of Portland.

Marquess of Dufferin and Ava.

Lord Steward.

Lord Chamberlain. Lord Suffield.

Mr. Ritchie.

HEREAS by the Extradition Acts, 1870 to 1895, it was amongst other things enacted that, where an arrangement has been made with any foreign State with respect to the surrender to such State of any fugitive criminals, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that the said Acts shall apply in the case of such foreign State; and that His Majesty may, by the same or any subsequent Order, limit the operation of the Order, and restrict the same to fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in the part of His Majesty's dominions specified in the Order, and render the operation thereof subject to such conditions, exceptions, and qualifications as may be deemed expedient;