

14. To summarize the matter, the scheme now proposed will give a supply of over 1½ million gallons per day, which it is anticipated will be fully required within a few years after the works have been completed.

15. I therefore submit that the entire scheme be now undertaken and that I be authorized to call for tenders for the dam and contingent works, the estimated cost of which, including materials to be supplied by the Government, is \$505,000. The balance of the estimated cost is absorbed by the mains, service, reservoirs, &c., which will form separate contracts. It is imperative that the works should be undertaken without delay and that the present dry season should be availed of to the greatest extent possible.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. CHATHAM,
Acting Director of Public Works.

The Honourable

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 788.

The following Finding of a Marine Court of Enquiry into certain charges of misconduct brought against HARRY GORDON HARBORD, Mate of the British barque *Vale of Doon*, is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th December, 1901.

FINDING.

The Court having heard and carefully considered the evidence given before the Court in the presence of the accused, and he having brought no evidence nor made any statement in his defence,

Finds:—

That the Mate of the British barque *Vale of Doon*, Official No. 63,211, of Hongkong, HARRY GORDON HARBORD, who holds a Master's Certificate No. 017,333 of Bristol, 15th April, 1889, has been guilty of gross misconduct on board the said ship, and they therefore suspend his certificate for a period of six months from this date.

The Court recommends that if he so desires he be granted a Second Mate's Certificate during such suspension.

Given under our hands at Victoria, Hongkong, this 24th day of December, 1901.

R. MURRAY RUMSEY,
Ret. Com., R.N.,
President.

F. PAYNE-GALLWEY,
Lieut., R.N.

R. F. DENSMORE,
Master, Barque "Osberga."

W. E. CRAVEN,
Sub-Lieut., R.N.R.,
Master, S.S. "Indravelli."

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 789.

The following revised Table of Rates of Postage to take effect from the 1st of January, 1902, is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th December, 1901.

HONGKONG GENERAL POST OFFICE.
RATES OF POSTAGE.

To	Letters, per ½ oz.	Single Post Cards, each.	Reply Post Cards, each.	Books, News- papers, § Prices Current, &c., per 2 oz.	Regis- tration.	Return Receipt for Regis- tered Article.	Commercial Papers.	Patterns.
	<i>cents.</i>	<i>cents.</i>	<i>cents.</i>	<i>cents.</i>	<i>cents.</i>	<i>cents.</i>		
Union Countries, (except as below),	10	4	8	2 §	10	10		
United Kingdom,								
Aden, Malay States (Federated), Ascension, viz.:—Negri Sembilan, Bahamas, Pahang, Barbados, Perak, Bermudas, Selangor, British Central Africa Protectorate, Malta, British East Africa Protectorate, Mauritius, British Guiana, Natal, British Honduras, Newfoundland, British North Borneo, New Zealand, including Canada, Cook or Hervey Is., Cape Colony, Nigeria (Northern), inclu- Cayman Is., ding Borgu, Idda and Ceylon, Lakoja, Cyprus, Nigeria (Southern), inclu- Falkland Is., ding Akassa, Asaba, Be- Fiji Is., nin, Bonny, Brass, Bu- Gambia, rutu, Calabar, Forcados, Gibraltar, Onitsha, Opobo, and Gold Coast Colony, Warree, India, Orange River Colony, including Chandernagore, Karikal, Mahé, St. Helena, Pondicherry, Yanam, Sarawak, Jamaica, Seychelles, Johore, Sierra Leone, Labuan, Straits Settlements, Lagos, Tobago, Leeward Islands, viz.:— Trinidad, Antigua, Turks Is., Dominica, Uganda, Montserrat, Grenadines, the Nevis, Grenada, St. Christopher, St. Lucia, Virgin Is., St. Vincent, Zanzibar,	4*	4	8	2 §	10	10		
Macao,	2	4	2	2 (4 oz)	10	10		
NON-UNION COUNTRIES:—								
Abyssinia, (the delivery of registered articles for Abyssinia can be effected only at the Poste Restante at Jibouti. They should be addressed "via Jibouti"),	10 (c)	4	8	2	none	...		
Afghanistan,	10 (ca)	4	8	2	10 (in)	...		
Arabia,	10 (c)	4	8	2	10 (in)	...		
China, (except the Foreign Establishments in China to which the Postal Union rates will apply),	5 (c)	1	2	2 (4 oz)	10 (b)	10		
Friendly Islands, (Tonga Islands),	10	4	8	2	10	...		
Morocco, (except Casablanca, El-ksar-el-kbir, Fez, Larache, Marrakesch, Mazagon, Mogador, Rabat, Saffi, Tangier, and Tetuan, at each of which places the Gibraltar P. O., French P. O. or German P. O. maintains an Agency under the Postal Union Regulations),	10 (c)	4	8	2	none	...		
Navigator's Island, (Samoa Island),								
Rhodesia, (N.E. & N.W.), including Northern Zambesia,	10	4	8	2	10	...		
Solomon Island,								
Other parts,	10 (c)	4	8	2	10 (in)	...		
Between Hongkong and Canton, and Changehow, and for Local Delivery,	2	1	2	2 (4 oz)	10	10		

Same as for Books, except that the lowest charge is 10 cents.
Same as for Books, except that the lowest charge is 4 cents.

(a.) An additional charge is made on delivery.
 (b.) Registration in China through British Offices extends to Hoihow, Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, Shanghai, Hankow, and Liu Kung Tau only.
 (c.) Prepayment is compulsory.
 (in.) Registration is incomplete, not extending beyond Port of Arrival.
 * Letters for these places posted at any Office, other than in the Colony, (viz. at any British Postal Agency in China or any Imperial Chinese Post Office using Hongkong Stamps) are subject to the rate of 10 cents per half ounce.
 § Single Newspapers to the following British Possessions and foreign countries are accepted at the special rate of 2 cents per 4 ounces or fraction thereof, viz.:—
 Australia, Formosa, Netherlands India, Straits Settlements,
 China, India, New Zealand, Timor,
 Ceylon, Japan, Philippines,
 Corea, Macao, Siam,

Attention is specially called to the changes in the postal rates for correspondence to the United Kingdom and certain British Colonies.

For Parcel Rates, see separate Table or the Postal Guide. E.

WM. C. H. HASTINGS,
Postmaster General.