COVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 297.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint David Wood to be Acting Assessor during the absence on leave of ARTHUR CHAPMAN.

By Command,

A. M. THOMSON, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th May, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 298.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Francis Joseph Badeley, to be an Official Member of the Legislative Council until further notice.

By Command,

A. M. THOMSON, Acting Coloniul Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th May, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 299.

The following Rules are published.

By Command,

A. M. THOMSON, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 12th May, 1902.

RULES

Made by the Officer Administering the Government in Council, under section 3 of Ordinance 12 of 1899, this 10th day of May, 1902.

LICENSING OF FISHING STAKES AND STATIONS.

- 1. In these Rules the following terms shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them:
- (a.) Inshore Stake Nets.—Where a net attached to poles is lowered and raised by means of windlasses worked from a station on shore, or where a line of stakes is used with net attached in not more than three fathoms of water.
 - (b.) Off-shore Stake Nets.—Where a net attached to poles is lowered and raised by means of windlasses worked from stations built on piles in the water or where a line of stakes with nets attached is used in deeper water than three fathoms.
 - (c.) Floating Stake Stations.—Where a net is attached to a system of floating stakes or poles and banded by one or more boats.
 - (d.) Boat Stations.—Where a net is lowered and raised from boats only.
- 2. Owners of Fishing Stakes and Stations shall forthwith pay to the officer appointed by the Harbour Master for that purpose, an annual licence fee for the year 1902, according to the following scale:—

Scale of Fees.

Inshore Stake Nets, \$2 per annum.

Off-shore Stake Nets, \$5 ,,

Floating Stations, \$2 ,,

Boat Stations, \$6 ,,

Any person committing a breach of any of the above Rules is liable, under section 5 of Ordinance 12 of 1899, upon summary conviction before a Magistrate, to the payment of a fine not exceeding \$100 or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 6 months with or without hard labour.

R. F. JOHNSTON,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, Hongkong.