GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 658.

It is hereby notified that His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance:—

Ordinance No. 28 of 1902, entitled—An Ordinance to amend The Rating Ordinance, 1901.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th October, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 659.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, with the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint Frederick Theobald Keyt, M.B., to be Second Port Health Officer, with effect from the 24th instant.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 27th October, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 660.

The following letter from His Britannic Majesty's Consul in Manila, Philippine Islands, and its enclosure are published.

By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th October, 1902.

British Consulate, Manila, P. I., 17th October, 1902.

SIR,

With reference to your cablegram of the 15th instant, I have the honour to enclose the answer of the Chief Officer of the Quarantine Department.

I have, etc.,

L. H. HARFORD, H. B. M.'s Consul.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Hongkong.

Office of the Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands,

Marine-Hospital Service,

Manha, P. I., October 16, 1902.

To

HIS BRITISH MAJESTY'S CONSUL,

Manila, P. I.

SIR,

In reply to your letter of the 15th instant, I have the honor to inform you that on October 1, the quarantine regulations were modified so as to permit vessels from Hongkong to bring steerage passengers without subjecting the vessels to quarantine, and if the health conditions in Hongkong remain satisfactory, ships from that port will be allowed to come direct to Manila, without calling at Mariveles, after the 1st proximo.

The prohibitive regulation against the shipment of fresh vegetables from cholera infected ports

still remains in force,

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Very respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, P. H. & M. H. S.,

Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.