

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 743.

COMPETITIVE DESIGNS FOR A BUILDING TO CONTAIN THE POST OFFICE
AND OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

GENERAL CONDITIONS AND PARTICULARS OF COMPETITION.

His Excellency Sir HENRY ARTHUR BLAKE, G.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong, invites Designs accompanied by reports and estimates of the cost of erecting a building to contain the Post Office and other Government Offices in the City of Victoria, Hongkong.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

Adjudication of Merit.

The Public Works Committee will decide whether any of the designs submitted are worthy of being accepted or premiated, and, subject to that decision, will make the following awards.

Premia.

The author of the design considered first in order of merit will be engaged as Consulting Architect for the work, and will be paid a commission of $3\frac{3}{4}$ % on the actual cost of the building, exclusive of any moneys paid in respect of supervision, which will be provided by the Government. A further sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars (\$1,500) is offered for the design considered second in order of merit.

Ownership of Plans, etc.

The accepted designs, reports and estimates will become the property of the Colonial Government, and the said Government shall be at liberty to dispose of them in such manner and give publicity to them and all the designs submitted as it may deem desirable.

The Colonial Government will carry out the work through the Public Works Department.

In consideration of the commission of $3\frac{3}{4}$ % all drawings, tracings, specifications, &c., that may be required are to be supplied, and all such other work is to be performed in connection with the construction of the building as, in the opinion of the Governor, reasonably comes within the province of a Consulting Architect to perform, and further upon the completion of the building, a complete set of drawings showing the building and all permanent fittings as constructed is to be furnished to Government. Should the Consulting Architect be required to furnish a Bill of Quantities of the work, he will be paid for such service an additional commission at the rate of $1\frac{1}{4}$ %.

No Signatures to Designs, etc.

No design, report or estimate to bear any motto, device or distinguishing mark whatever; a plain envelope with the author's name enclosed is to be delivered at the same time as the designs, etc., and each design, etc., will be numbered in order of receipt.

Designs to be sent to the Colonial Secretary.

All designs, reports and estimates to be sent under cover to the Colonial Secretary not later than the 31st March, 1903, and to be marked only "Post Office Competition."

DESIGNS.

The designs must be illustrated by:—

- (a). Plan of foundations, each floor and the roof.
- (b). Two sections of the buildings showing levels of foundations, floors, roofs and such other details as may be conveniently shown thereon.
- (c). Elevations of the proposed building to the North, South, East and West sides respectively.

Note:—The above to be drawn to a uniform scale of eight feet to one inch.

- (d). Competitors may, if they desire, submit two sheets (double elephant size) of drawings, showing details drawn to a scale of two feet to one inch.

No drawings in addition to the above are permitted.

The dimensions and area of each room to be shown on plans.

The drawings may, at the option of competitors, be finished in black and white or coloured to indicate the materials to be used in the construction of the building.

REPORT.

Each design must be accompanied by a concise report detailing the suggested construction of the foundations, the superstructure, the accommodation proposed, the mode of lighting, heating and ventilating and the materials to be used in the construction of the building.

ESTIMATES.

Separate estimates must be given in the following order :—

(a). Estimated cost of foundations including drainage,	\$
(b). Estimated cost of superstructure including all permanent fittings,	\$
(c). Estimated cost of lighting, heating and ventilation,	\$
Total,	\$

COST.

The total cost, exclusive of Architect's commission, not to exceed Five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED.

It is suggested that the floor of the Post Office be raised sufficiently above the level of the footpath to give additional light and ventilation to the basement floor.

The offices are proposed to be arranged as follows :—

Ground floor, Post Office.

First floor, Treasury and Registrar General's Departments.

Second floor, Audit, Education and Sanitary Departments and house accommodation for Chief Clerk of Post Office.

The areas stated below are to be regarded as approximate.

BASEMENT FLOOR.

For Post Office, —

Store room for empty boxes and bags.
*Tiffin room 300 square feet.
Several spare rooms.

For Sanitary Department, —

Several store rooms to be used as godowns.

For other Offices, —

Several store rooms.

Generally, —

Coal store.
Heating chamber.

GROUND FLOOR.

Post Office, —

Letter Sorting branch, —

	<i>Area in square feet.</i>
Room for incoming mails,	2,800
Do. outgoing mails,	3,800
Do. Shanghai mails,	800
Postmen's room,	500
Mail room (Fireproof) for made up mail bags,	600

Parcel and Registration branch, —

Room for incoming mails,	800
Do. outgoing mails,	800
Do. packing and unpacking parcels,	1,200
Strong room for parcels, etc.	

Postal Hall, —

For sale of stamps, etc.,	3,500 to 4,000
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* If convenient tiffin room may be on ground floor.

Miscellaneous,—

	<i>Area in square feet.</i>
* Office for money orders,.....	600
Do. Chinese letters,	600
Do. Postmaster General,	400
Do. Assistant Postmaster General,	400
Do. Chief Accountant,	400
Do. Clerks,.....	400

FIRST FLOOR.

Treasury,—

Treasurer's office,	500
General office for staff,	2,500
Office for private work,	500
Stamp office,	600
Assessor's office,.....	500
Do. Clerks,	500
Strong room,	400
Stamp vault (strong room),	450

Registrar General's Department,—

Registrar General's office,	500
Committee room,	500
Assistant Registrar General's office,	400
First Clerk's office,.....	350
General office for staff,	1,300
Strong room,	400
Small store room.	
Emigration yard,	2,000
Back verandah or other suitable accommodation for Inspectors under Women's and Girls' Protection Ordinance, with separate entrance from street.	

Common to Departments,—

Tiffin room.
Waiting room.

Separate entrance to be provided for Chinese attending Treasury and Stamp Office (5 windows for payment of taxes and 1 for stamps) and Registrar General's Department for licences, &c.

SECOND FLOOR.

Audit Department,—

Auditor's office,	400
Assistant Auditor's office,	400

Education Department,—

Inspector of Schools' office,	400
Clerks' office,	400
Examination room,.....	700
Ante or Waiting room,	150
Store room.	

Sanitary Department,—

Board room,	750
Room for President,	500
Secretary,	500
Confidential Clerk, (Secretary),.....	350
Clerks, (Secretary),	1,000
Medical Officer of Health,	500
Chief Clerk, (Medical Officer of Health),.....	350
Clerks, (Medical Officer of Health),	600
Veterinary Surgeon,	400
Sanitary Surveyor,.....	400
Clerk and Draughtsman, (Sanitary Surveyor),	400
Microscope and Inoculation room with Northern light,	300

* To be near Postmaster General's Office.

Chief Clerk of Post Office,—

Four rooms.
Bath room, etc.
Usual quarters for servants.

Common to Departments,—

Tiffin room.
Waiting room.

GENERALLY.

Lift and staircase to be provided to upper floors for the use of Europeans.

A separate entrance to be provided for the use of Chinese to all parts to which they require admission.

Accommodation for 4 office boys or messengers for each Department. Separate lavatory accommodation on each floor for Heads of Departments, European Staff, and Chinese Staff.

Verandahs will be permitted, extending over the footpaths, on the North, East and South sides of the building.

The building to be so designed as to be capable of having another storey added to it in future.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th December, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 744.

The following is published.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 1st December, 1902.

POSTAL NOTES.

1. Postal Notes of the values named below, payable within three months at any Post Office in the United Kingdom, or at Constantinople, can be obtained at Hongkong or at any British Post Office in China at the following prices, which include commission :—

1/-.....	68 cents.
1/6.....	\$ 1.02
5/-.....	\$ 3.30
10/-.....	\$ 6.60
20/-.....	\$13.20

2. The purchaser of any Postal Note must fill in the Payee's name before parting with it. He may also fill in the name of the Office where payment is to be made. If this is not done the note is payable (within three months) anywhere in the United Kingdom, or at Constantinople. Any Postal Note may be crossed to a Bank.

3. Postal Notes should *always* be forwarded in *Registered Covers*. If this precaution is not taken NO ENQUIRIES WHATEVER will be made as to the loss or alleged loss of any Note.

4. Postal Notes issued in the United Kingdom are NOT payable in Hongkong or China.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
HONGKONG, 28th November, 1902.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 745.

It is hereby notified that Calf Lymph can be obtained from the Government Vaccine Institute upon application to the Government Bacteriologist. Calf Lymph supplied in quantities less than 100 tubes will be charged for at the rate of 50 cents a tube. For all quantities over 100 tubes the rate of charge will be at 30 cents a tube. All payments for vaccine supplied up to the 31st December, 1902, should be made as formerly to the Government Civil Hospital. Subsequent to that date payments for Calf Lymph are to be made to the Honourable the Colonial Treasurer direct.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd December, 1902.