

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 166.—It is hereby notified for information that the following publication may be seen at the Harbour Office :—

Proclamation by the President of the United States of America prescribing the rules for the measurement of vessels for the Panama Canal.

No. 167.—The following Finding of the Marine Court of Inquiry to investigate the charges against Mr. JAMES WILLOX, is published for general information.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

1st May, 1914.

FINDING.

We find that the S.S. *Tai Shan* Official Number 133,245 of Hongkong the master of which was ROBERT ALEXANDER BISS, certificate No. 024,435 of Dundee, as master, and the S.S. *Tai Lee* Official Number 133,248 of Hongkong the master of which was JAMES WILLOX, certificate No. 036,321 of Aberdeen, as master, left their respective wharves in Hongkong Harbour within five minutes of each other on the morning of 29th March, 1914, bound for Macao. That after passing the rock in Cheung Chau Channel, the *Tai Lee* overtook and passed the *Tai Shan*, in such a manner as to place both ships in danger of collision.

We are of opinion that the master of the *Tai Lee* passed dangerously close to the *Tai Shan*, and admonish him to be more careful in future.

BASIL TAYLOR, Commander, R.N.,
Stipendiary Magistrate and President of the Court.

Lieut. T. D. SHARP, R.N.,
H.M.S. *Tamar*.

Lieut. W. D. HOPCRAFT, R.N.R.,
Master, S.S. *Empress of Japan*.

A. E. W. HODGINS, Esq.,
Master, S.S. *Haiyang*.

P. H. ROLFE, Esq.,
Master, S.S. *Yuen Sang*.

TREASURY.

No. 168.—Financial Statement for the month of February, 1914.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Balance of Assets and Liabilities on 31st January, 1914,	\$ 2,862,323.45
Revenue from 1st to 28th February, 1914,	660,329.34
	<u>3,522,652.79</u>
Expenditure from 1st to 28th February, 1914,	572,792.81
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Balance,	\$2,949,859.98