

DESPATCHES FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

No. 464.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET,

11th August, 1921.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Austria has notified the adoption of a flag to be flown exclusively by Austrian merchant ships in future, consisting of an oblong composed of three equal horizontal stripes of red-white-red. The proportion of the breadth to the length of the flag is two to three.

2. According to Article 225 of the Treaty of St. Germain, the contracting parties agree to recognise the flag flown by the vessels of any contracting party having no sea-coast when those vessels are registered at some one specified place situated in its territory, such place to serve as the port of registry. Vienna has been appointed a port of registry.

3. I have therefore to request that the necessary steps may be taken to ensure the recognition of the Austrian merchant flag as described above.

I have, &c.,

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

The Officer Administering the Government of
HONGKONG.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 465.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Tso SEEN-WAN to be a Member of the Sanitary Board for a further term of three years with effect from the 15th November, 1921.

10th November, 1921.

No. 466.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Mr. ARCHIBALD ORR LANG to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council during the absence on leave of the Honourable Mr. PERCY HOBSON HOLYOAK.

10th November, 1921.

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 467.—A telegram has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the effect that on Armistice Day a wreath will be laid at the Cenotaph by the Secretary of State on behalf of all the Colonies and Protectorates.