

**No. 504.**—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps:—

Second Lieutenant THOMAS WILLIAM HILL, M.C., to be Lieutenant in the Infantry Company.

Sergeant SYDNEY ERNEST GRIMSTONE to be Second Lieutenant, Mounted Infantry Section.

2nd December, 1921.

**No. 505.**—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Mr. CHOW SHOU-SON to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council *vice* the Honourable Mr. Ho Fook, retired, with effect from this date.

2nd December, 1921.

**No. 506.**—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. GEOFFREY NORMAN ORME to be Estate Duty Commissioner, Official Receiver, and Registrar of Trade Marks and Patents, and Mr. PERCY BURN to be an Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and a Deputy Registrar of Marriages, with effect from the 28th November, 1921.

2nd December, 1921.

## NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

**No. 507.**—The following extract from the *London Gazette* dated the 26th August, 1921, regarding the establishment of an Anglo-Austrian Mixed Arbitral Tribunal under the Treaty of Peace with Austria, and the Rules of Procedure thereunder, is published for general information.

The Rules of Procedure may be seen at the Colonial Secretary's Office on application.

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### MIXED ARBITRAL TRIBUNAL BETWEEN THE BRITISH EMPIRE AND AUSTRIA.

The following announcement is made by the Board of Trade:—

In pursuance of Article 256 of the Treaty of St. Germain-en-Laye, the Mixed Arbitral Tribunal between the British Empire and Austria has been constituted, and is about to commence work in London. The president is Mr. B. C. J. Loder, LL.D., Judge of the Supreme Court of the Netherlands, the British Member is Mr. Heber Hart, K.C., LL.D., and the Austrian Member Dr. jur Paul Hammerschlag.

An important part of the work of the Tribunal will be to decide upon claims in respect of debts under Section III of Part X of the Treaty where a difference arises between British and Austrian Nationals or between the British and Austrian Clearing Offices. It has also jurisdiction under Section IV ("Property, Rights and Interests"), Section V ("Contracts, Prescriptions, Judgments"), Section VI ("Mixed Arbitral Tribunal"), and Section VII ("Industrial Property") of Part X of the above Treaty.

By the Treaty the High Contracting Parties have agreed that their courts and authorities shall render to the Tribunal direct all the assistance in their power, particularly as regards transmitting notices and collecting evidence; and they have also agreed to regard the decisions of the Tribunal as final and conclusive and to render them binding upon their nationals.