

No. 422.—It is hereby notified that during the absence from the Colony of Mr. MANUEL RIVERA IGLESIAS, Consul-General for Peru at Hong Kong, Mr. M. RIVERA ZAPATA will be in charge of the Peruvian Consulate-General.

7th May, 1936.

No. 423.—With reference to Government Notification No. 88 of 9th February, 1934, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. MARCUS THEODORE JOHNSON to be a Member of the Committee to administer the Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund of Hong Kong, *vice* Mr. CHARLES CROSBY KNIGHT, with effect from the 5th May, 1936.

7th May, 1936.

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 424.—The following Communiqué is published for general information.

R. A. C. NORTH,
Colonial Secretary.

8th May, 1935.

MUI TSAI COMMISSION.

1. The Personnel of the Commission is as follows:—

Chairman:—Sir WILFRID WENTWORTH WOODS, K.C.M.G.

Members:—Miss EDITH PICTON-TURBERVILL, O.B.E., Mr. CHARLES ARMINE WILLIS; C.B.E.

Secretary:—Mr. JOHN JEFF, Malayan Civil Service.

2. The terms of reference are

“to investigate the whole question of mui-tsai in Hong Kong and Malaya and any surviving practices of transferring women and children for valuable consideration, whether on marriage or adoption or in any other circumstance, and to report to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on any legislative or other action which the Commissioners may consider practicable and desirable in relation to these matters.”

3. The Commission will arrive in Hong Kong on Wednesday, May 13th by the S. S. *Ranpura*.

4. The Secretary arrived on May 4th by the S. S. *Perseus*.

5. The Commission will be prepared to receive both written and oral statements on the subject of their investigation. *It is, however, particularly requested that persons desirous of an interview will submit beforehand a summary of the evidence to be given.* All replies to this invitation, together with such summaries, should be addressed to “The Secretary, Mui Tsai Commission, c/o. Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Hong Kong.”

6. It is hoped that all communications intended for the Commission may be in the hands of the Secretary before the advent of the Commissioners. This will greatly facilitate the framing of their programme immediately after arrival.