

**NOTICES.**

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

**No. S. 379.**—Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st October, 1912, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks:—

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, .....	5,598,126	3,500,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, .....	21,351,597	16,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, .....	696,120	80,000*
TOTAL,.....\$	27,645,843	19,580,000

\* Securities with Crown Agents £93,000 and Rs 200,000.

**No. S. 380.**—The following statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, against their notes in circulation, is published for general information under Section 5 of the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, (Ordinance No. 65 of 1911):—

Security.	Amount.	Nominal Value.	Price when deposited.	Latest market price.
India 3½% Stock, .....	£28,000	£100	92½/93	92½/93
Bombay Port Trust 4% Bonds,...	£10,000	£100	97½/98½	97½/98½
Bengal Nagpur Railway Co., Ltd., 3¼% Debentures, .....	£45,000	£100	par.	par.
3½% Rupee Paper, .....	Rs 200,000	Rs 1,000	£64/64¼ per Rs 1,000	£64/64¼ per Rs 1,000

**No. S. 381.**—Statement of Sanitary Measures adopted against Hongkong.

Place or Port.	Nature of Measures.	Date.	Reference to Government Notification.
Orissa.	Plague Regulations imposed in Orissa Ports against arrivals from Hongkong.	23rd Feb., 1912.	No. S. 54.

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Colonial Secretary.

8th November, 1912.