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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Report from CHARLES MAY, Esquire, Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, for the quarter ending 31st December, 1877, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th January, 1878.

[No. 1.]

FIRE BRIGADE DEPARTMENT,
HONGKONG, 18th January, 1878.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward to you, to be laid before His Excellency the Governor, the Fire Brigade Report for the 4th quarter of 1877.

The regular Parades and Inspections were held on the 5th November, 5th December, 1877, and 7th January, 1878, at which the Government Steam and Manual Engines were present as also those of the Chinese Volunteer Associations. All were worked from the sea, and, with the exception of No. 1 Steam Engine, three tubes of which gave way at the last Inspection, all were found in order.

The Fire Ladders, Hose, Implements and Extincteurs were found to be in good condition.

The Manual Engines at Yau-má Tí, Sháu-kí Wán and Aberdeen have been examined and found in order.

Monthly reports have been made by the Government Engineer of the state of the Steam Engines, which were duly tested by hydraulic pressure, and the Manual Engines.

A trifling fire occurred on the 28th December, 1877 which was duly reported.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. MAY,
Superintendent, Fire Brigade.

The Honourable J. GARDINER AUSTIN, C.M.G.,
Colonial Secretary,
&c., &c., &c.
HONGKONG.

No. 13.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Notice is hereby given, that the Kowloon Quarry Farm for the Year 1878, has been let to TSANG-A-YEE of TO-KWA-WAN, Kowloon.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th January, 1878.

No. 14.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency JOHN POPE HENNESSY, C.M.G., has been pleased to appoint provisionally, and until Her Majesty's pleasure may be known, FRANCIS BULKLEY JOHNSON, Esquire, to be a Member of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, *vice* the Honourable WILLIAM KESWICK, absent on leave.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th January, 1878.