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REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL FOR THE YEAR 1907.

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1.—Revenue and Expenditure.

(See Tables I a and I b.)

The revenue collected during the year amounted to \$163,261.13, a sum \$14,023.08 below the revenue collected in 1906. The estimated revenue for the year was \$156,180; the principal items in which the estimate was exceeded were Hawkers' Licences, Money Changers' Licences and Householders' Registration. Reference is made to these increases below. The revenue from Markets fell short of the estimate by \$3,000.

The only material decrease in the revenue compared with that for 1906 is under the head Boat Licences. In 1906 the revenue from these licences was something over \$24,000. It is now collected by the Harbour Master. There were substantial increases under the heads Hawkers' Licences, Money Changers' Licences, Householders' Registration and Markets. The number of hawkers' licences issued increased from 14,165 in 1906 to 15,193. The subjoined table gives an indication of the probable number of hawkers at any one time during the year.

	First half-year ending 31st March, 1907.	Second half-year ending 30th September, 1907.
New Licences issued,	7,116	3,638 4,159
Total,	7,116	7,797

An increase of 50 per cent. in the revenue from Money Changers' Licences is due no doubt to the great discount at which the silver subsidiary coinage stood for a part of the year. The inclusion of the Kowloon Peninsula in that part of the Colony to which Part III of Ordinance No. 3 of 1888, providing for the Registration of Householders, applies, accounts for the comparatively large sum received under the heading Householders' Registration. The increase in the revenue from Markets is a little over one per cent. and is fairly evenly distributed.

It is satisfactory to find that the rents for the stalls in the Mongkoktsui Market are maintained at the level at which they stood twelve months ago; the market evidently meets a want. The Des Vœux Road Market has not been hitherto a great success but for some reason the market people turned their attention to it in November and all the market is now fully let at the rate of \$1,306 a year, a low rent it is true, but an increase of 30 per cent. on the rent received in 1906. As I stated in last year's report the accommodation for the poultry dealers in the New Western Market was found insufficient and two dealers have been given permission to move into premises outside the market. The Old Western Market has been opened out by the removal of unnecessary stalls and the remainder of the premises has been divided between the butchers and vegetable and fruit dealers. The arrangements were completed on the 15th October.

Of the total revenue collected by the Registrar General's Department in 1907, 67 per cent. came from the rent of market premises, and 18 per cent. from fees for hawkers' licences.

The total expenditure during the year was \$35,630.88 compared with \$36,947.46 in 1906. The expenditure in 1906 was increased by the Census. The actual expenditure fell short of the estimated expenditure by \$2,701.12. The principal items in which the expenditure was below the estimate were Personal Emoluments, Census and Rent of Quarters for student-interpreters.

2.—Protection of Women and Girls.

(See Tables II a to II f.)

(i.)—Women and Girls' Protection Ordinance, No. 4 of 1897.

The number of women detained under warrant was 139 compared with 160 in 1906. The subjoined Table enables a comparison to be made between the last seven years.

	Women detained	by the Registr	rar General.		
Year.	At the Registrar General's Office.	At the Emigration Office.	Total.	Released after enquiry:	Percentage of 5 to 4.
1901	•••	82	335	113	34
1902	•••	139	587	310	53
1903	•••	144	826	407	50
1904	289	135	424	237	56
1905	191	71	262	94	36
1906	110	50	160	49	31
1907	90	49	139	39	28

It is satisfactory to find that the percentage of cases in which after examination at the Po Leung Kuk, no grounds can be found for detention, has fallen as low as 28. To send 800 women to the Po Leung Kuk in one year throws a very great deal of work on the directors and puts a severe strain on the resources and accommodation of the institution. whilst it is unpleasant to find that in 400 cases the detention was not justified. On the other hand it may be that during the last year, too many doubtful cases have been per-It is very hard in this business to strike the mean. mitted to pass.

In all, 316 persons were admitted to the Po Leung Kuk, 16 being runaway maid-In the case of maidservants wherever there is evidence of ill-treatment the Police are asked to prosecute, but even in cases of ill-treatment the fault is probably not all on one The schools to which these children are sent find them as a class unsatisfactory and hard to manage. The number of girls added during the year to the list of those required under bond to report themselves regularly to the Registrar General was twelve. Sixty-six girls were reported to the Po Leung Kuk as being missing in Hongkong during 1907, and of these only nine were reported to have been recovered.

Five persons—were—sent to the Italian Convent during the year and twelve to Miss Eyre's Refuge, and of these four were sent under warrant, two to each institution. If gives the necessary details regarding them. Both institutions have been visited by me more than once during the year, and Miss Eyre's Refuge has also been visited by some of the directors of the Po Leung Kuk. At a final inspection made at the close of the year only one complaint was made. The girls both at the Refuge and at the Convent looked clean, healthy and happy. The Sisters tell me that they have now no trouble with the girls and that they will be willing to receive any more who can be sent to them. Two of the girls who have been married happened to be in the Convent at the time of my last visit: they were well-dressed and seemed happy.

(ii.)—Po Leung Kuk Incorporation Ordinance, No. 6 of 1893.

The report of Society, for the year 1907, will be found in Appendix A to this Report.

The Permanent Board of Directors consists of the following members:

 $\it Ex-Officio\ Members:$ –

The Registrar General.

The two Chinese Members of the Legislative Council.

Other Members:-

- 1. Lau Shai-chak appointed 26th June, 1893.
- 2. Leung Pui-chi
- 17th July, 1897.
- 3. Li Sau-hin 4. Ku Fa-shan
- 26th October, 1905.
- 5. CHIU CHAU-SAM
- 23rd. November, 1905.
- 6. Pun Yan-Tsun
- 27th March, 1906.
- 7. Yung Shiu-Po
- 8th May, 1906.
- 8. Tam Tsz-kong'
- 14th November, 1907.

3.—Emigration.

Emigration Ordinance, No. 1 of 1889.

(See Tables III a to III c.)

(i.)—Female Emigration.

The examination of females and children under 16 is conducted by the Assistant Registrar General and occupied about 156 hours; this is exclusive of the time spent by the Registrar General in re-examining doubtful cases. The number of women and children examined was 15,571, the examination is therefore conducted at the rate of about 100 emigrants the hour. This rate of speed may seem to be excessive and to give little opportunity for ascertaining the actual status of the emigrants, but as a matter of fact in the case of eighty per cent. no examination is called for, only identification. There are very rarely any grounds for suspicion in the case of single women over 30, and of women and children going in families.

On the suggestion of the Protector of Chinese at Singapore, when the examination of an emigrant raises suspicions but does not justify detention full details of her statement are given on the Passenger List. In not a few instances the statements can be verified easily on the arrival of the emigrant at her destination, and detention here to enable enquiries to be made in China is unnecessary. Table III a shews the destination of emigrants; there is at present small probability of any abuse arising in connection with emigration to places other than the Straits Settlements. 49 or 0.31 per cent. of the women and children examined before embarkation were detained for enquiries as against 35 or 0.32 per cent. in 1906. Ten cases were still under consideration at the close of the year. Of the remaining 39, 15 or 38 per cent. were ultimately allowed to leave without any order being made, as against 19 per cent. in 1906. 94 per cent. of the emigrants examined were going to the Straits Settlements.

(ii.)—Male Emigration.

Male emigration has been very carefully supervised during the year. A number of ships taking Third Class passengers to the Straits Settlements have been inspected, and from the 1st November the emigration of labourers has been satisfactorily supervised by the adoption of measures agreed upon at a conference held in March with Mr. Barnes, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs in the Straits Settlements. A probable change in the Emigration Law was foreshadowed by me in my annual report for 1905, but it was decided to take no steps until an opportunity had been given of discussing the whole question in personal conference with some officer from the Straits Settlements. This opportunity occurred in March last when Mr. Barnes passed through the Colony and an arrangement was come to, by which no immigrant to the Straits Settlements from Hongkong would be permitted to enter into a labour contract unless he had appeared before the Registrar General before embarkation.

It is too soon to say what effect the new arrangement will have on the volume of emigration, but everything so far has worked smoothly. The examining officer has detected a number of cases of misrepresentation and fraud, and has rejected a number of youths and men physically unfit for work at the mines. This Office is in constant communication with the Protectorate of Chinese in Singapore and it is hoped that with a little more experience all but a few cases of fraud will be eliminated. A number of Chinese gentlemen who have served as members of the Board of Direction of the Po Leung Kuk have undertaken to inspect the emigrants when they present themselves for examination, and they commence their duties at the beginning of 1908. There is no doubt that their assistance will be of the greatest value.

A Bill to give legal sanction to the present arrangement and to remove from the Emigration Ordinance those portions of Ordinance No. 37 of 1901 (original number) which proved valueless as well as burdensome has passed the Legislative Council. As the precautions which the bill will place under the sanction of the law have shewn their usefulness and effectiveness in a trial of three months, it is not premature to say that the Government will now find itself at last in a position to discover and check any serious abuses that may arise. In future, "assisted emigrants", i.e., those who get their passages to the Straits Settlements paid with the intention of working under contract on their arrival there, will be separated from the bulk of the emigrants, who require no special protection, and the examination of them will be transferred from the Harbour Department to the Registrar General's Department. The men are examined on their arrival in the Colony, photographed and again examined before embarkation and every opportunity is given them of learning where they are going and of changing their mind if they so wish and going home. A full report on the work done under this head has been made by the Assistant Registrar General.

During the year, 51 hotel-licences and 34 emigration-house licences were issued. The boarding-houses are those which are made use of by "assisted emigrants". Hotels are patronised not only by intending emigrants but by visitors to Hougkong—both men and women. From the subjoined table a comparison can be made between the number of houses licensed and the accommodation provided at the close of the two years 1906 and 1907.

Licensed on 31st 1906.	December,	Accommodation for boarders.	Licensed on 31st December, 1907.	Accommodation for boarders.
Hotels,	, 47	2,714	. 48	3,505
Emigration houses,	29	412	24	498

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Since 1905 the accommodation provided in hotels has increased 34 per cent, and that in boarding-houses 100. Two boarding-house licences have been cancelled for misbehaviour on the part of the keepers. In the one case a man had been induced to go on board by fraud and lept overboard, in the other an unwilling emigrant was prevented leaving the house.

Enquiries have been made in several cases for relatives who had gone to the Straits Settlements or to Borneo, and the missing men have been traced with the help of the records kept by the boarding-houses. In most instances the relatives have repaid, sometimes with the assistance of this office, the advances made to the emigrant; in some they have been content with an interchange of letters.

It is pleasant to learn that the efforts made in Hongkong to stop emigration abuses are recognised elsewhere than in the Colony.

4.—Regulation of Chinese. Ordinance No. 3 of 1888.

(i.)--Registration of Householders.

(See Tables IV a and IV b.)

By an Order-in-Council dated the 2nd April, 1907, the provisions of Part III of the Ordinance were extended to the urban part of the Kowloon peninsula. In May, circulars were sent to landlords and householders calling their attention to the law, and by the end of the year, 1,788 houses out of 1,913 had been registered. The work of registration entailed the engagement of two temporary clerks for six months.

(ii.)—District Watchmen.
(See Tables V a and V b.)

The balance to the credit of the Fund on the 31st December was \$12,900 as against \$10,276 for the preceding year. Contributions shew an increase of \$690, expenditure a decrease of \$880. There was no expenditure on building in 1907, but in 1908 it will become necessary to increase the accommodation in the District Watchmen's House at West Point. The Procession which was held in December necessitated the engagement of of Special Watchmen and entailed an expenditure of \$1,100. Effect was also given to a resolution of the Board passed some time ago and the three Watchmen's Houses and the Registrar General's Office were placed on the Telephone Exchange. The increase in the Force during the last few years has been as follows:—

31st December, 1901	
1903	
1904-1907	95

The number of resignations during the year was 8, and of dismissals 11, the same as last year. One hundred and forty-four convictions were obtained before the Police Magistrate through the instrumentality of the District Watchmen. Since 1905 recruits are drilled and receive instruction in their duties at the Central Police Station and all District Watchmen attend drill there once a week. The District Watchmen Committee met nine times during the year, the average attendance being ten members. Mr. Li Pak who has been a member since the year 1900 resigned, but as the Committee was already complete no one

has been appointed to take his place. The list of present members and the dates of their appointments are given below—

Chairman :--

The Registrar General.

Other Members :-

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, appointed 1st December, 1891. Ho Fuk, LAU YAM CHÜN, TSEUNG SZ KAI, LEUNG PUI CHI, 26th September, 1892. Fung Wa Chün, 14th July, 1898. U Hoi Chau, 29th November, 1901. LAU CHU PAR. 6th February, 1902. The Hon. Mr. WEI YUK. 28th February, 1903. Tong Lai Chuen, 27th October, 1905. CHAN CHUN CHUEN. 22nd November, 1905. CHOA LEEP CHEE, 7th May, 1906.

(iii.)—Permits.

The nature and number of permits issued during the year were as follows :--

To fire crackers for marriages,	286
" on other occasions,	110
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	396
To hold processions,	30
To perform theatricals in other than permanent buildings,	54 40
To hold religious ceremonies,	48
Total,	568

Permits to hold religious ceremonies and theatrical performances in the New Territorics North of the Kowloon Range are issued by the Assistant Superintendent of Police at Taipo.

The holding of theatrical performances in a temporary building in connection with a temple festival is of regular occurrence: The trustees of the temple invite tenders for the provision of a performance and the successful tenderer provides the theatrical company, builds as large a matshed as he thinks will be profitable and fills it as full as it can hold with seats. As is known the result in China is sometimes disastrous. To remove as far as possible the chance of such a catastrophe in Hongkong all applications for permits are to be accompanied in future by a sketch of the matshed, in order that the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade may see that there are adequate exits and gangways.

5.—Population.

Marriages. Ordinance No. 7 of 1875 as amended by Ordinance No. 15 of 1902 and Ordinance No. 6 of 1903.

The number of marriages solemnized during the year was 137, as compared with 125 in 1906. Twenty-seven marriages were contracted at the Registrar General's Office.

286 permits were issued to fire crackers on the occasion of Chinese marriages, as against 225 in 1906.

Births and Deaths. Ordinance No 7 of 1896.

(Tables VI a to VI c).

For full particulars regarding these, reference should be made to the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health.

The Births registered during the year were as follows:-

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Chinese,	736	388	1,124*
Non-Chinese,	161	135	296†
	897	${523}$	$\frac{-}{1,420}$
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* Including 3 males registered after the expiration of 12 months.

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Four hundred and eighty-two (482) births were registered during the year in the West Point and East Point registration offices in Victoria, an increase of 66 on the number registered in 1906. The total number also of Chinese births registered in Victoria shews a satisfactory increase. The figures for the last ten years are:—

Year.	Number of Births registered.
1898,	778
1899,	
1900,	544
1901,	663
1902,	738
1903,	550
1904,	622*
1905,	605
1906,	644
1907,	775

^{*} The two district registries were opened on 1st July, 1904.

Table VI c has been specially compiled for this report in the hope that it may lead to the forming of a more reliable estimate than the present methods afford of the actual number of births among the Chinese.

The number of deaths registered during year was :-

Chinese,	
	<u> </u>
	Total,

Exhumations.

Two hundred and ninety-nine (299) permits were issued to exhume human remains for removal to China or for reburial in the Colony.

Removal of Bodies from the Colony.

Four hundred and forty-one (441) certificates were issued by the Police for removal of bodies from the Colony.

6.-Vaccination. Ordinance No. 2 of 1890.

(See Tables VII a to VII e.)

The total number of vaccinations recorded in Table VII a is 7,420 compared with 7,450 in 1906. The record includes only vaccinations performed at the hospitals and dispensaries and by the hospital and dispensary vaccinators. An increase is shown in the vaccinations at Hunghom, Kowloon City and Yaumati. The returns from the villages shew an improvement. At Yaumati and Shaukiwan however the percentage of vaccinations to births is not yet as high as it ought to be.

7.—Registration of Books. Ordinance No. 2 of 1888.

Fifty-three books were registered during the year, compared with sixty-five in 1906.

8.—Copyright in Works of the Fine Arts. Ordinance No. 17 of 1901.

Two sets of photographs and one "Map and Wall Directory of Hongkong Central" were registered during the year.

9.—Certificates of Identity to Chinese entering the United States of America, etc. Ordinance No. 3 of 1898.

The number of certificates issued during the years 1906 and 1907 was :-

	1906.	1907.
To the United States,	1	7
,, Hawaiian Islands,	. •••	•••
" Philippines,	2	•••
	3	7
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The issue of these certificates is now confined to Chinese who are British Subjects resident in Hongkeng.

10.—Tung Wa Hospital. Ordinances No. 1 of 1870 and No. 9 of 1904.

(See Table VIII and Appendix B.)

The names of the Directors of the Tung Wa Hospital elected on the 24th November, 1907, are:—

Там Нок-ро of the Yat On Bank. CHAN LOK-CHUN King Wo Firm. NG Hon-chi National Bank of China, Ltd. CHAN TIN-SHAN Yu Tak-shing Firm. LI YUE-TONG Kwong Wing Cheung Firm. Wong Chiu-tong Standard Oil Co. CHUI CHUNG-YIK San Hing Opium Firm. CHAN CHEUK-HING Chin Cheung Firm. NG SAU-SHANG Fuk On Insurance Co. CHEUNG CHEUNG-CHI Shun Kee Firm. SHE TAT-TSOI Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co. TSE SHI-PING Tung Kee Firm. Hung Tsz-leung Kung Hing Firm. CHEUNG SHI-KUN Ming Fat Rice Shop. Li Mau-chi Ki Hing Pawn Shop.

The accounts will be found in Appendix B.

The expenditure during the year was \$71,796 and exceeded the revenue by \$2,750. Endeavours are now being made to increase the number of regular subscribers. The expenditure was less than the expenditure in 1906 by \$700. The small number of plague cases allowed of a reduction in the expenditure on the Plague Hospital and economy has been effected under the heads Food and Salaries. \$3,000 have been spent on building, repairs and furniture, \$13,000 on burials and coffins. The expenditure under these last two heads on bodies sent to the Government Mortuaries appears separately. The number of admissions to the hospital was 3,796 and of out-patients 70,843, an increase of 596 and 5,255 respectively over the numbers in 1906.

The balance at the close of the year was \$15,031. In addition to the varying cash balances and the landed property of the hospital the directors have the control of several funds of which so far no record has appeared in this report. Appendix B now gives the total amount of the funds referred to under their different heads, and the way in which they are invested. The directors have decided to make larger investments in landed property, their power to do so having been facilitated by Ordinance No. 9 of 1904, The Tung Wa Hospital (Extension of Powers) Ordinance 1904.

The charitable work of the directors is not confined to administering the hospital; they must provide for the burial of the poor, must take a leading part in all charitable movements, especially in the raising of Famine Funds, and must repatriate the destitute. The sum spent on burials in 1907 exclusive of the burials of bodies sent from the Public Mortuaries was \$9,035, and 950 persons were repatriated. Their assistance was invited by the charitable societies of Canton in April to provide cheap rice, and the directors telegraphed to the Cantonese communities in other parts of the world for help. In answer to the appeal a sum of \$110,000 was subscribed; two-thirds of this was sent to Canton and the remaining third kept for local needs. Fortunately a fall in the price of rice relieved the directors from the necessity of making immediate use of the fund.

The gift of 30,000 taels by the Emperor of China towards the relief of the sufferers in the typhoon of 1906 was received too late for distribution and has been formed into an Emergency Fund for the relief of distress caused by any extraordinary calamity such as storm, fire, collision, &c.: the interest may be used for such purposes by the Committee with the approval of the members of the Corporation, the capital is not to be touched without the approval of the Governor (7522/06 C.S.O.).



During the year particular attention has been paid by the directors to the consumption of rice and firewood. It is hoped that a secure check has been placed on the consumption of the former, and a saving in the expenditure on firewood has been made by buying it wholesale from importers. It is expected that a saving of \$1,000 a year will be effected in this way.

The street lying between the new wing of the hospital and the Po Leung Kuk has been leased to the Lospital by the Government and has been enclosed. The inmates of the Po Leung Kuk are to be permitted the use of this ground, and it is proposed to plant it with trees.

The members of the Advisory Board have been consulted by me during the year on matters relating to the hospital, and their advice has proved of great value. The names of the members are:—

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, c.m.g.

Mr. WEI YUK.*

Mr. Chan Kang-ue.

Mr. Chan Tsz-wun.*

Mr. Chau Siu-ki.*

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Mr. Ho Tung.*

Mr. Ku Fai-shan.*

Mr. Lau Chü-pak.

Mr. Lau Yam-tsün.

Mr. LEUNG PUI-CHI.*

Mr. Li Yau-tsün.

Mr. Ló Kun-ting.*

Mr. Pun Yan-tsün.

Mr. Tang Lan-kuk.*

Mr. U Hoi-chau.

Mr. UEN LAI-TSUN.*

* Ex-Chairmen of the Board of Directors.

In July the hospital applied for an increase in the annual Government Grant. The directors pointed out in support of their application the increased expense they had been put to in recent years in burying dead bodies from the Government Mortuaries, in maintaining the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Kennedy Town and in repatriating destitutes. Their application was granted, and an addition of \$2,000 to the annual grant approved.

It has become necessary to enlarge the Hospital Cemetery at Kailungwan, and the Government Cemetery which it was proposed to open between the Hospital Cemetery and the road has been placed at the disposal of the hospital. The ground thus made available and the further extensions it is possible to make, will suffice for a number of years.

The hospital vaccinators visited Shamshuipo 8 times during the year, Shaukiwan, Aberdeen and Yaumati 6 times and Stanley twice.

Progress has been made with the scheme for providing a hospital for Chinese at Yaumati. The Government proposes to grant a site containing about 2.84 acres, to give \$30,000 towards the cost of the building and to make an annual grant of \$6,000. At the close of the year subscriptions to the amount of \$63,141 had been promised, and of this sum \$51,260 had been collected. The Chinese inhabitants of the Kowloon Peninsula are actively supporting the scheme; out of the total amount of subscriptions, \$10,700 have been promised by them and they hope to raise at least \$5,000 more. A public appeal is now being made to the European community and to the Chinese of Victoria.



11.—Chinese Public Dispensaries.

(See Tables IX a to IX d.)

The work of the dispensaries has been steadily carried on during the year. The Central District Dispensary in Kau Ue Fong was opened on the 1st February and has proved as useful as the two dispensaries first opened at West Point and East Point.

A series of three lectures delivered at the theatres by Mr. Fung Wa-chün, Mr. Lau Chü-pak and Mr. Ho Kam-tong did much to make the objects of the dispensaries known to the public, and resulted in a large increase in the work. During the four weeks ending the 23rd March, 640 cases were treated at the three dispensaries in Victoria, during the four weeks ending the 28th December, 859. In the four weeks ending the 2nd November as many as 1,323 cases were treated.

On the 1st August Mr. Yeung Wan-po was engaged to deliver street lectures on the benefits of the dispensaries and on sanitation: these have proved very successful and have been very well attended. Simple (though somewhat more elaborate) lectures on sanitation have been prepared and are being translated into Chinese for the use of the lecturer.

The Committee look to local street committees to secure the necessary financial support and to make known the benefits of the dispensaries. These have been formed and commenced work after China New Year.

The West Point Committee has been of great assistance in inducing people to take their dead or sick infants to the dispensary. In 1907 the West Point Dispensary received 174 infants as against only 13 in 1906. It is satisfactory in this connection to note that the number of infants under 5 years of age treated at the dispensaries is more than three times what it was in 1906. A comparison of the statistics given in Table IX a this year and in my report for 1906 will shew the progress that has been made in all branches of the work.

The expenditure on the three dispensaries in Victoria is just under \$16,000 and exceeds the regular subscriptions by nearly \$1,700. Fortunately the promoters of the Chinese Procession were able to make a grant out of their surplus funds of \$4,800. The Yaumati Dispensary closed the year \$170 in debt. The expenditure was \$5,000 and the receipts from subscriptions was not quite \$3,300. At Hunghom the recurrent expenditure exceeded subscriptions by \$440, at Kowloon City by \$670. It is recognised that the community at Kowloon City cannot maintain a dispensary by their own unaided efforts, and that Kowloon City and the neighbourhood cannot be called on to subscribe more than \$2,400 a year. This year the subscriptions have fallen short of this sum by \$480. The financial position of the dispensaries is therefore by no means assured. Table IX c gives an account of all the money that has passed through the Registrar General's hands. Table IX d gives separate statements of the full accounts of each dispensary.

Steps are now being taken to secure further support from the Chinese and arouse a more general interest in the movement. One of the objects of the dispensaries is to bring the mass of the population into closer touch with the Government in all sanitary matters, and through the agency of the dispensary at Kowloon City the charge on householders for white-washing their premises has been reduced by about one-half.

Subjoined are statistics drawn up in such a form as to shew whether any connection exists between the abandoning of bodies and the prevalence of infectious disease.

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DUMPED BODIES.		•	~	Small poy Cassos		
	Infants.	Others.	Total.	Plague Cases.	Small-pox Cases.	
1905	400	176	614	160	28	
1906	530	266	796	611	133	
1907	478	171	649	84	231	



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!		DUMPED BODIES		Plague Cases.	Small-pox Cases.	
	Infants. Others. Total.		Tiague Cases.	Sman-pox Cases.		
1905	171	88	259	96	8	
1906	275	176	451	220	35	
1907	226	122	348	104	56	

The dispensaries in Victoria will extend their activity in one direction still further in 1908. The directors of the Tung Wa Hospital have made an arrangement to employ the dispensary coolies in removing patients and dead bodies to the hospital instead of employing—as they do now—outside undertakers. It is hoped that this arrangement will put a stop to the irregularities which it is believed were connected with the old system. (See my report for 1904.)

The piece of ground in Kau Ue Fong bought in 1905 for a dispensary has been found small and in May a yearly permit was obtained to occupy an additional piece of land on which to build a shed for the ambulance and dead-box.

12.—District Plague Hospitals.

Progress has been made during the year in the provision of District Plague Hospitals. The hospital at West Point which continues to occupy houses Nos. 63 and 65 Third Street was kept upon throughout the year, and nine cases were received. Six died on the day of admission, two on the second day, and the ninth was discharged after 23 days. It is hoped within the next year to secure permanent quarters for this hospital. In Wanchai four sites for a hospital have been under consideration, but so far negotiations have not been successful. In the central district the directors of the Tung Wa Hospital have taken the matter in hand and have made proposals to the Government. In Kowloon City an application from the local committee to adapt and repair one of the old buildings inside the city was granted, and the building was rendered fit for occupation by the end of September. In Hunghom an isolated building—No. 86A Des Vœux Road West—has been rented by the local committee and put in proper repair. In Yaumati the committee are in treaty for two semi-detached houses in a suitable locality.

Out of the vote "Charitable Allowances—Vote for District Hospitals," \$1,100 have been granted to the West Point Hospital, \$480 to the one at Kowloon City and \$365 to the Hunghom hospital.

13.—Chinese Recreation Ground.

(See Table X.)

The disposal of the balance to the credit of this Fund has been under consideration during the year but nothing has been settled. The schemes proposed depend on the carrying out of other proposals which have not so far been put into effect. The ground is intended to be simply an open space where people can stroll about and sit under the trees, and is made full use of in the summer. An attempt has now been made to further improve its appearance without curtailing to any extent the space available for recreation, by contracting with a gardener to display 100 pot-plants on the ground, and this has relieved the bareness-somewhat. Additional seats have also been provided.



Regulations for the maintenance of good order and the preservation of property on the ground were made on the 14th May (Government Notification 377 of 1907, Gazette of 7th June, 1907).

14.—Passage Money Fund.

(See Table XI.)

At the close of 1906 there was a balance to the credit of this Fund of \$4,673. Authority was obtained to grant \$1,250 to the Alice Memorial Hospital to be added to the endowment fund, and to place \$3,250 on fixed deposit and pay the interest to Miss Eyre's Refuge.

15.—Registrar General's Office Charitable Fund.

(See Table XII.)

An account of this Fund is annexed for the first time to the Annual Report. The Chinese have so many claims on them at present that I have postponed indefinitely any attempt to obtain substantial additions to the Fund. It is still my design however to create a Fund for helping destitute widows and workmen injured by accidents. Casualties among the labouring classes in Hongkong are frequent and there are now six widows pensioners of the office.

16.—Legislation.

The following Ordinances passed in 1907 more particularly affect the Chinese Community:—

No. 8.—The Public Health and Buildings (Amendment) Ordinance.

No. 12.—The Local Communities Amendment Ordinance.

No. 13.—The Stocks Punishment Limitation Ordinance.

No. 15.—The Seditions Publications Ordinance.

Two only of these Ordinances, No. 13 and No. 15, call for comment in this Report. Ordinance No. 13 was found necessary in order to regulate the imposition of a punishment which had fallen somewhat into disuse but which of late years had been awarded in a large number of cases. I refer to Ordinance No. 15, the necessity for which is described in the preamble, in order to record that the relations between the Chinese Préss and this Office are of a very friendly nature and that I find the editors and managers of newspapers are always ready to render any services that are asked for.

Several Rules and Orders-in-Council relate to the Chinese. Stone, earth and turf may now be obtained from Crown Land free of charge in the New Territories if needed for personal use in building houses or farm buildings. Rules dated the 2nd April regulate the issue of Forestry Licences, and others dated the 30th May, the conversion of land into salt-pans.

17.—Prosecutions.

(See Table XIII.)

A reference to Table XIII shows the extreme difficulty there is in obtaining a conviction under the Women and Girls Protection Ordinance. Out of 47 defendants only 5 were convicted.

18.—Interpretation Sub-Department.

Government Notification No. 581 of 1901.

(See Table XIV.)

The Interpretation Department consists of 21 posts, in addition to the Sergeant Interpreters in the Police Department and the Inspectors' Interpreters in the Sanitary Department. (See General Order No. 16.)

During the year five student-interpreters passed the examination for a third class certificate. Four received appointments in the Sanitary Department and one in the Police. Five new student-interpreters were appointed and at the close of the year the approved number of student-interpreters (nine) was complete. Their conduct and progress have been quite satisfactory. A full list of all who have received appointments as student-interpreters is given in Table XIV.

19.—General.

In deference to the wishes of the Chinese merchants who do business with Canton it has been decided to continue to license the Postal Hongs which carry letters between Hongkong and that port. These Hongs are of very great service to the business community; they afford special facilities for despatching correspondence and deliver it quickly and safely.

A petition which received very influential support was presented in August, 1906, complaining of the way in which the Excise Officers of the Opium Farm conducted searches of private premises and the examination of passengers and their baggage on their arrival in the Colony: attention was also invited to the prevalence of the practice of "planting" opium by informers. Petitioners made various suggestions which were adopted in all essential particulars.

A list of the Chinese names of islands, bays, hills and passes in Hongkong and the New Territories to which English names have been affixed was taken in hand and is now being printed.

There does not appear to have been any serious trade dispute during the year. The junks employed in the carriage of timber to Canton took advantage of the scarcity of suitable junks after the typhoon, to try and increase their charges above the fixed rates, and timber merchants were put to some difficulty for a short time in securing carriage.

The Chinese firms dealing in the export of Chinese clothing and eatables to the Transvaal complained of the high rate at which their goods were assessed for payment of import duty, and representations were made on their behalf to the Transvaal Government.

A project which first started three years ago for the incorporation of the Man Mo Temple seems likely now to be carried out. A Bill has been submitted by the Trustees of the Temple property for the approval of the Government and is now under consideration.

The Directors of the Tung Wa Hospital who act as managers of the Temple have also been granted a lease of a piece of land behind the Temple. This land was given to the Man Mo Temple in the year 1877 and has since been regarded by the directors as its property, but no lease had ever been granted.

A dispute as to the management of temple property at Shamshuipo was referred to the Registrar General, and settled by him with the assistance of two Chinese gentlemen. The property consists of a market and a wharf and the dispute originated in a struggle for the control of the property between the Puntei and the Hakka inhabitants of the village.

A petition to which 322 chops were affixed was received in March from the inhabitants of Yaumati. Petitioners complained of the increase in the ferry fare to Hongkong and wished to start a public ferry to be controlled by the community. What may be called a municipal pier exists at Shamshuipo—one of the conditions of the lease being that the pier is to be managed by the lessee to the satisfaction of the Registrar General, who will be guided in his decisions by the wishes of the inhabitants of the village. The Government decided to put the pier site up to auction in the usual way.

During the winter of 1906-1907 well-substantiated stories reached me of the black-mailing of Chinese by a man who posed as Lam Kwa-ng a notorious brigand in the Heungshan district. The man could not be traced, as he carried on his business with great discretion, but he at last committed an error of judgment in attempting to blackmail Mr. Tsui Sien-ting who knocked him down and marched him a mile to the nearest police station.

The activity of the Botanical and Forestry Department in protecting plantations led in March to the receipt of numerous petitions from the Kowloon District on behalf of the wood-cutters. As a result further action was suspended pending investigation. In the country districts the principal fuel is dry grass and during the year it was found necessary to warn the villagers of Little Hongkong that grass-cutting was not permitted in plantations or in the natural forest.

On the advice of Mr. LOCKHART and Dr. Ho Kai a Chinese Illustrated Encyclopædia (古今圖書集成) has been bought for the Office Library. This work was first published under Imperial Authority in 1726 and a new edition has been lately brought out in Shanghai.

A Chinese procession—the first of its kind since March, 1894,—was held on the 5th, 6th and 7th of December. It attracted a great number of people to the Colony but the large crowds were quite orderly and there was no increase of crime. The committee of management were able to hand over \$12,800—the unexpended balance of subscriptions, to charitable purposes.

20.-Staff.

- 1. The Registrar General was absent on vacation leave from the 27th July to the 3rd September and Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Acting Inspector of Schools, acted during his absence.
- 2. The Assistant Registrar General, Mr. C. Clementi, was absent on leave throughout the year. He was promoted Assistant Colonial Secretary on the 29th October and Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe was appointed to fill the vacancy. Mr. J. Dyer Ball acted as Assistant Registrar General up to the 22nd January when he was succeeded by Mr R. O. Hutchison.
- 3. Inspector E. Browne obtained a Second certificate for knowledge of the Hakka Dialect (Colloquial) on the 1st August and was granted an allowance of \$60 per annum.
- 4. Sixth Grade Writer:—Mr. Chan Fung-ting was dismissed on the 31st October and was succeeded by Mr. Tsu Wa-kwai.
- 5. First Grade Translator:—Mr. Wong Po-shau was placed on the Permanent Staff with a salary of \$1,200 per annum from the 1st October.
- 6. Third Grade Interpreter & Clerk:—Mr. Tang Tat-nung obtained the Second Class Certificate on the 15th May.
- 7. Fifth Grade Interpreter: Mr. Kwok Wa-fan obtained the Third Class Certificate on the 10th July.
- 8. Sixth Grade Writers:—Three writers were engaged from the 10th May in connection with the extension of Registration of Householders to Old Kowloon. Their services were dispensed with from 1st November with the exception of Mr. Li Wan-sang, who is to fill the new post of 6th Grade Clerk as from the 1st January, 1908.

Temporary appointment:—Mr. D. W. TRATMAN, Assistant Land Officer, New Territories, was appointed to help in the examination of emigrants from the 3rd December with an allowance of \$600 per annum.

A. W. Brewin, Registrar General.

Table I a.
Revenue for the years 1906 and 1907.

Heads of Revenue.	Details of Revenue.	Ordinance under which received.	Revenue in 1906.	Revenue in 1907.	Increase.	Decrease.
Licences and Internal Re- renue not otherwise specified.	Boat Licences, Chinese Postmen's and Postal Hong Licences, " Undertakers' Licences, Emigration House Licences, Forfeitures, Marriage Licences, Money Chengers' Licences, Special Fruit Licences,	No. 10 of 1899. " 6 of 1900. " 8 of 1887. No. 1 of 1889 & No. 34 of 1902. No. 8 of 1887. No. 7 of 1875 & No. 15 of 1902. No. 8 of 1887. " 1 of 1903.	\$ e. 24,098 (2) 20 440 3,008 564 28,830 1,055 1,500 4,707	(1) (2) 480 3,152 304 30,386 936 2,980 4,887	\$ 6. (2) 40 144 2,056 1,480 180	24,098 (2) 20 20 260 119
Fees of Court or Office, Payments for Specific Purposes, and Reimbur- sements-in-aid.	Births and Deaths Registration, Certificates to Chinese entering U. S. A. and Manila, Chinese Gazette Sales, Householders' Registration, Re-registration, Removals, Extracts,	No. 7 of 1896. 3 of 1898. 3 of 1888. 3 of 1888. 3 of 1888. 3 of 1888.	559 100 30 324 1,479 35	678 350 24 24 5,661 1,448 20	250 250 5,337	3 1 2 2
Rent of Government Prop-	Laundries,	No. 1 of 1903.	1,680 109,200	1,515 110,336	1,136	165
Interest,	Interest accrned on official account,	: :	124	1 20	- ::	
		Total,	177,284.21	163,261.13	10,755.72	24,778.80
		-1 .	Dedue	Deduct Increase,	4	10,755.72

(1) Transferred to the Harbour Department. (2) Cents omitted except in the totals.

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Total Decrease in 1907,.....

Table I b.

Revenue from the Markets, and the number of shops and stalls occupied and unoccupied at the end of 1907.

•		Shops and Stalls.			
Markets.	Revenue.	Occupied.	Unoccupied.		
	(1) \$ °.	302	3		
Central,	51,410.	$\frac{502}{42}$	"		
Des Vœux Road,	970. 2,936.	57			
Hung Hom,	2,930. 931.	40			
Mong Kok Tsui,	12,492.	71	· · · · · ·		
Sai Ying Pun,		34			
Shaukiwan,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	30			
So Kon-po,	- 100	52	10		
Tai Kok Tsui,	4.333	20	12		
Wan Chai,		82	2		
Vestern, New,	13,052.	85	4		
Western, Old,	15,730.	104	13		
Yaumati,	5,550.	84	•••••		
Total,	\$110,336.86	1,003	44		

⁽¹⁾ Cents omitted except in the total.

Table II a.

Number of women and girls admitted to the Po Leung Kuk during the year and the arrangements made regarding them.

		Committed under Warrant from Registrar General's Office.	Committed under Warrant from Emigration Office.	Pending the opening of the Registrar General's Office.	Sent with their own consent by Registrar General.	Sent with their own consent from Singapore, Manila & Swatow.	Sent with their own consent by the Police	Lost Children.	Accompanying parents or guardian.	Runaway maid-servants.	Total.	Released after enquiry.	Released under bond.	Placed in charge of husband.	Placed in charge of parents and relatives.	Placed in charge of Consul for Japan.	Placed in charge of Consul for France.	Sent to Charitable Institu- tions in China.	Sent to school, Convent or Refuge.	Adopted.	Married.	Total.
In the Po Leung Kuk on 1st Jan- uary, 1907,	29	20 4036AC	4	1	4						29	9	···			····		3	4		13	29
Admitted during the year,	316	87	49	21	93	10	17	11	12	16	316	76	5	30	101	1	1	19	12	12	25,	282
Total,	345	107	53	22	97	10	17	11	12	16	345	85	5	30	101	1	1	22	16	12	38	311
Remaining in the Po Leung Kuk on the 31st De- cember, 1907,	34	15	10	2	5	1	1				34											

Table II b.

Number of women and girls detained under warrant after enquiry in 'the Registrar General's Office by the Registrar General and arrangements made regarding them.

	Detained previous to 1st January, 1907.	Detained during 1907.	Total.
Permitted to leave, ,,,,, under bond, Restored to husband, ,,, relatives, Sent to native place, Married, Adopted, Sent to Refuge and Convent, Placed in charge of Consul for France, Cases under consideration,	 1 9 ./	25 5 4 12 5 14 2 7 1 15	33 5 4 12 6 23 2 9 1
	20	90	110

Table II c.

Number of Emigrants detained under warrant by the Registrar General after enquiry and arrangements made regarding them.

		ed previous to nuary, 1907.	lst	Detair	Total.		
	Professed Prostitutes.	Respectable Women.	Total.	Professed Prostitutes.	Respectable Women.	Total.	Totai.
Permited to leave,	1		1	4	10	14	15
" " under bond, … Restored to husband,				$\frac{1}{2}$		2	10
			•••		7	7	7
,, to relatives,	•••				11	11	11
Sent to native place,						• • •	·
Married,	3		3	4	i	5	8
Sent to Refuge and Convent,							
Died,				1			
Cases under consideration,	•••	•••	•••	9	1	10	10
	4		4	19	30	49	53

Table II d.

Particulars regarding girls who are required to report themselves to the Registrar General.

Brought forward.	Added during 1907.	Total.	Removed from list.	Total 31st Dec., 1907.
. 6	11	17	4	13
. 13	•••	13		13
7	1	8	1	7
26	12	38	ő	33
	forward, 6 . 13	forward. during 1907. 6 11 13 7 1	Frought during 1907. 6 11 17 13 13 7 1 8	Brought forward. during 1907. Total. Removed from list. - 6 11 17 4 . 13 13 7 1 8 1

Total,	5
Lost sight of,	1
Married,	
Exempted from reporting,	2
13	

Table II e.

Number of persons reported to the Po Leung Kuk as missing, and of those who have been reported as recovered during the year 1907.

	Men.		Boys.		Total.		Women.		Girls,		Total.	
	Missing.	Recovered.										
Hongkong,		4	37	2	65	6	57	4	57	. 2	114	6
China and Macao,	99	2	29	2	128	4	78	1	13	. 1	91	2
	127	6	66	4	193	10	135	5	70	3	205	8

Table II f.

Girls detained under Authority of Section 35 of Ordinance 4 of 1897.

SENT TO MISS EYRE'S REFUGE.

No.	Name.	Date of detention.	Date of entering Refuge.	Probable age December, 1907.	Remarks.
	Detained previous	us to 1st Jan	mary, 1907.		
229 05 252/05 170 05 297/05 134 06 9/06	Chan Tsoi-fung	30, 5.05 27, 8.05 10, 5.06 10, 1.06 28, 6.05	17. 5.05 22. 7.05 19. 9.05 14.10.05 2.12.05 10. 5.06 16. 5.06 18. 7.06	(1) 19 20 20 15 (2) 17 15 12 8	Remains in Refuge of her own will: engaged to be married. Left. Married. In Refuge. In Refuge. In Refuge. In Victoria Home. In Victoria Home.
	(2) Born 6th January, Detain	1890. ed during 19	907.	٠.	
90/06 248/07	Chan Sui-i	4. 4.06 14. 6.07	7. 3.07 14. 6.07	18 17	In Refuge. In Refuge (sent direct).

SENT TO THE ITALIAN CONVENT.

No.	Name.	• Date of detention.	Date of entering Convent.	Probable age December, 1907.	Remarks.
	Detained previou	ıs to 1st J ar	mary, 1907.		
610/04 83/05 50/05 378/04 381/05	Wong Tsoi Chan Lin-ho Pun Hau Yuk Chan Kwai-sin Wong Ngan Lo Yuk Li Tai-tsoi Lo Wong-tsoi	3.11.04 7. 3.05 28. 1.05	10. 2.05 19. 2.05 9. 3.05 15. 3.05 22. 6.05 12, 5.06 8, 8.06 30.11.06	18 18 18 21 18 11 16 16	Ran away. Returned to Po Leung Kuk and married. In Convent (married 26th January, 1908). Married. In Convent. In Convent. In Convent. In Convent. In Convent.
	Detain	ed during 19	907.		
15/07 290/07	Li Tai-hi Li Lin-yau			1	In Convent. Ran away.

Table III a.

Number of female passengers and boys examined and passed before the Registrar General under "The Chinese Emigration Ordinance, 1889," during the year 1907.

Whither Bound.	Boys.	Women and Girls.	Total.
Callao,	58	3	61
Honolulu,		3	14
Japan,		3	4
Seattle,		1	1
Mauritius,		30	76
Tacoma,			3
Salina Cruz,			80
San Francisco, U.S.A.,		30	230
Straits Settlements,		12,122	14,883
Vancouver, B.C.,	1 1	, , ,	164
Victoria, B.C.,		3.	53
Iquique,		•••	2
Total,	3,376	12,195	15,571

Table III b.

Occupations of Female Emigrants in the year 1907.

16 YEARS AND OVER.

With husband or other relative,	$2,\!468$
To join husband or other relative,	$3,\!588$
Actress,	8
Farmer or Farm-labourer,	25
Hairdresser,	14
Nun,	14
Physiognomist,	1
Prostitute,	822
Schoolmistress,	. 1
Seamstress,	616
Servant,	3,533
Student,	1
Total,	11,091
Under 16 years.	
With parents,	1,673
With other relatives,	31
Total,	1,104
Grand total,	12,195

Table III c.

Number of Assisted Emigrants examined, passed, rejected, etc., from the 1st November to the 31st December, 1907.

Passed,	1,620
Unwilling to proceed,	. 87
Refused as unfit,	48
Returned from Singapore and refused permission to emigrate again,	11
_	1.766

Table III d.

Arrangements made regarding Assisted Emigrants who declined or were refused permission to emigrate.

Sent home by Tung Wa Hospital,	123
Given work in Hongkong,	10
Handed over to relatives,	-1
Discharged without help,	9
<u>.</u>	146
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Table IV a.

Number of Householders' Certificates issued during the year 1907.

	Victoria.	Kowloon.	Total.
First Registration of Householders, Re-registration of Householders, Extracts from Register, Removal of Householders, Duplicates of Certificates,	$99 \\ 1,407 \\ 169 \\ 78 \\ 17$	1.788 41 5 4 0	1,887 1,448 174 82 17
Total,	1,770	1,838	3,608

Table IV b.

Changes of Tenancy reported during the year 1907.

	Victoria.	Kowloon.	Total.
Moved in,	1,770 1,573	$\frac{282}{199}$	$2,052 \\ 1,772$
Total,	3,343	481	3,824

Table V a.

Statement of the Revenue and Expenditure of the District Watchmen's Fund for the year 1907.

To Balance, " Grant by Government, " Contributions, " Payments for Special Services, " Interest, " Fines,	\$ c. (1) 10,276 2,000 24,058 170 417 74	By Wages and Salaries :	\$ 3. 17,794.84 6,301.42 24,096.26
		Balance,	12,900.29
Disposal of Balance :- On Fixed D	eposit,	Total,	5 00,550.00
			,
		Total,\$12,900.29	

(1) Cents omitted except in the totals.

Table V b.

State of District Watchmen's Force on 31st December, 1907.

The force consists at present of 95 men:—

6 Chief District Watch	men,from	\$276 to	\$360 a year.
5 Asst. Chief District \	Watchmen, ,,	216 to	-
16 District Watchmen, .		180	,,
59 Do	***************************************	150	,,
5 Do	,	120	,,
4 Special District Water	hmen,,	180	7,7
1 District Watchman re	eceives \$4 a month	Extra pa	ŧy.
4 Do. Watchmen r			·

Return showing strength, enlistment and casualties in District Watchmen's Force, 1907.

Strength of Force,	• • • • •	95
Enlistment,		
Deaths,		
Resignations through sickness,		
Do. for other causes,		
Dismissals or desertions,		
<u> </u>		
Total number of Casualties,	19	

Table VI a.

Births and Deaths registered during the year 1907.

Grand Total.	Births. Deaths.		1,019 5,286	301 1,423	50 356	39 194	11 27	1,420 7,286
		Total.	5,036	1,386	356	194	27	6,999
	bs.	Sex Juknown.	1-	4	-	,	:	13
	Deaths.	Females. Unknown.	2,061	775	116	68	10	2,820
Chinese.		Males.	2,968	838	239	104		4,166
•		Total.	775+	249	20	39	_	1,124
	Births.	Girls.	222	12	24	<u>x</u>	1~	388
		Boys.	553	132	56	21	4	736
		Total.	250	37	:	:	:	287
unity.	Deaths.	Males. Females.	09	10	:	:		02
British and Foreign Community.		Males.	190	27	:	:	4:	217
and Fore		Total.	544*	25	:	:	•	296
British	Births.	Girls.	102	33	:	:	:	185
		Boys.	142	19	:	:	:	191
	Districts.		Victoria,	Kowloon,	Shaukiwan,	Aberdeen,	Stanley,	Total,

* Including 1 female registered after the expiration of 12 months.

[†] Including 3 males registered after the expiration of 12 months.

Table VI b.

Number of Births and Deaths registered at the various registration offices in the Colony during the year 1907.

Registration Office.	Births.	Deaths.	· Total.
Registrar General's Office, No. 2 Police Station, No. 7 Police Station, Shaukiwan, Aberdeen, Stanley, Yaumati, Kowloon City, Shamshuipo,	797 117 157 50 39 11 53 102 94	5,115 138 70 356 194 27 872 222 292	5,912 255 227 406 233 38 925 324 386
Total,	*1,420	7,286	8,706

^{*} Including 4 births registered after the expiration of 12 months.

Table VI c.

CHINESE BIRTH RATE.

1	2	3	4	. 5	6	7	8	9
	1	of females er 15.	Births 1	egistered.	Probable 1	No. of births.	F amilies	Percentage
Year.	In the Colony.	In Victoria.	In the Colony.	In Victoria.	In the Colony.	In Victoria.	in Victoria.	of 8 to 3.
1891	40,500	26,800	1,529	1,255	1,529	1,255	14,100	52
1897	46,200	31,400	1,125	858	1,744	1,470	21,700	69
1901	51,500	32,900	848	663	1,944	1,541	25,100	76
1906	59,400	35,200	801	644	2,243	1,648	26,000	74

Note.—Columns 6 and 7. Exclusive of births of newly born infants who were taken to the Convents or abandoned.

Columns 2, 4 and 6. Exclusive of the New Territories (including New Kowloon).

Table VII a.

Vaccinations performed during the year 1907, at the various hospitals and elsewhere.

	,	
Alice Memorial Hospital	517 503 99	
The Gaol	2,696	1,119
		2,696
By the Tung Wa Hospital Vaccinators -		
Tung Wa Hospital	63 152 90 15 34	1,405
By the Chinese Public Dispensary Doctors—		
Victoria	160 338 386	
At the Yaumati Branch of Alice Memorial Hospital,	26	2,174
		7,420

 $\label{eq:Note-The} \textit{Note.} - \text{The above figures include all the vaccinations and re-vaccinations performed, successful, unsuccessful and uninspected.}$

Table VII b.

VICTORIA.

Number of children born during the year 1906 who have been vaccinated, and other particulars up to 31st December, 1907.

	Non-Ch	inese.	Chine	ese.
Number of Births,		293*		428
Vaccinated,		234		249
Unvaccinated:— Dead,	27 25 4 1 2		22 84 69 4	
Total unvaccinated,		59		179
Total,	-	293	-	428

^{*} Including 3 births registered after the expiration of 12 months.

Table VII c.

VICTORIA.

Number of children born during the year 1907 who have been vaccinated, and other particulars.

•	Non-Chinese.		Chinese.	
Number of Births,		296*		501†
Vaccinated,		119	,	136
Jnvaccinated :—				
Dead,	18		8	
Left the Colony,	8		45	
Cannot be found,	5		31	
Had Small-pox,	•••		•••	
Certified unfit,	$\frac{2}{3}$		11	
Insusceptible,		1	1	
Carried forward,	141		269	
Cotal unvaccinated,		177		365
Total,		296	-	501

^{*} Including 1 birth registered after the expiration of 12 months.

^{† &}quot; 3 births

Table VII d.

VICTORIA.

Number of Reminders to vaccinate sent out during the year and action taken thereon.

	Non-Chinese.		Chinese.	
Number of reminders issued,		107		268
Result of reminders:— Vaccinated,		79		100
Unvaccinated :-				
Dead,	2		12	
Left the Colony,	11		57	İ
Left the Colony, Cannot be found,	9		87	
Had Small-pox,	•••		1	
Certified unfit,	3		6	
Insusceptible,	3		•••	
Carried forward,	•••		5	!
Total unvaccinated,		28		168
Total,		107		268

Table VII e.

Births and Vaccinations outside the City of Victoria.

		1906.		1907.			
District Office.	Births registered.	Number registered as vaccinated.	Unac- counted for.	Births registered.	Number registered as vaccinated.	Carried forward.	
Aberdeen,	28	23	5	39	29	10	
Kowloon City,	119	89	30	102	64	38	
Shamshuipo,	46	42	4	94	35	59	
Shankiwan,	44	11	33	50	6	44	
Stauley,		13	5	11	3	8	
Yaumati,	70	39	31	53	10	4.3	
Total, *	325	217	108	349	147	202	

Table VIII.

Number of Patients under treatment and other statistics concerning the Tung Wa Hospital during the year 1907.

			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		• ′	.,				
Patients.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1906.	Admitted.	Total under Treatment.	Discharged.	Deaths.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1907.	Out-patients.	Vaccinations.	Dead bodies brought to Hospital Mor- tuary for burial.	Destirutes sent home.
Male	124	3,229	3,352	2,230	953	170	43,734	588	492) 0.50
Female	40	567	607	319	253	35	27,109	817	204	950
Total	164	3,796	3,959	2,549	1,206	205	70,843	1,405	696	950

Table IX a.

Work done by the Chinese Public Dispensaries, Victoria, Old Kowloon and Kowloon City.

GRAND	Total.	519 17,873	18,392	7,724	7,883	1,153	540 562	333 303		-	181	207	28	78	154	232	2,120	54	2,174
Комгоох	City.	32 1,281	1,313	657	899	971	$\frac{168}{40}$	-	:	: :	16	: 67	အ	:		:	335	છ	338
	Total.	215 8,595	8,810	3,664	3,718	135	$\begin{array}{c} 310 \\ 125 \end{array}$	64	9	: :		74 76	13	• • •	18	18	520	26	546
Огр Комгоом.	YAUMATI.	144 5,978	6,122	3,261	3,298	(6)	228 494	10 K	9	: :	\$\frac{1}{8}\$	4.62 4.03	:	: 1	13	13	360	56	386
	Hunghom.	2,617	2,688	403	420	135	. 2	14	-	: :	52	:	13	:	Ç	5	160	:	160
	Total.	272 7,997	8,269	3,403	3,497	47 (19)	. 62 397	562 942 942	7	21	112	179	12	78	136	214	1,265	25.	1,290
RIA.	West Point.	98 2,347	2,445	743	292	30 (2)	109 109	78	13		5 5 5	 	9	71	103	174	642		653
VICTORIA	East Point.	83	3,553	1,449	1,492	7 (2)	21 202	130	•	: :	40	48	4.	च्युम ।	7	11	456	ç	461
	CENTRAL.	91 2,180	2,271	1,211	1,240	10 (15)	$\overset{\circ}{x}\overset{\circ}{x}$	2 <u>7</u>		: :	41,	o ee	 67.	· 📆	26	53	167	က	176
		1. New Patients visited at their homes, seen at the office,	Total,	2. Old Cases—(home),	Total,	3. Certificates of nature of disease issued,	4. Certificates of cause of death issued,		8. Dead bodies inspected at the request of the Sonitory Darastment or the Police	9. Plague cases sent out of the Colony		11. Compensation claims sent in,	13. Applications for midwives,	14. Infants brought to office, (alive),	" " (dead), "" "	Total,	15. Vaccinations at house,	" office,	Total,

Table IX b.

Details regarding infants treated at the Chinese Public Dispensaries during 1907.

Ages.

Age.	Number.
Under 1 year,	$\begin{array}{ccc} & 554 \\ 623 \\ & 463 \end{array}$
Total,	2,721

NUMBER TREATED AT EACH DISPENSARY.

Dispensary.	Number.
Central,	309
East Point,	$\begin{array}{c} 640 \\ 539 \end{array}$
Hung Hom,	$\begin{array}{c} 274 \\ 774 \end{array}$
Yaumati, Kowloon City,	185
Total,	2,721

Table IX c.

CHINESE PUBLIC DISPENSARIES.

Statement of Account ending 31st December, 1907.

Receipts :	\$ c.	\$ c.
Balance Subscriptions, &c., Victoria Subscription from Hongkong Procession	14,266.05 4,809.95	4,565.39 19,076.00
Balance of Subscription, Hunghom		1,565.00 1,371.09 1,450.00 71.91
Total,		28,099.39
Expenditure :—		
Victoria :—	•	
Salaries and Wages Rent Rent Furniture Stationery and Printing Loss on exchange Drug, &c. Crown Rent Loss on bad coins Miscellaneous Hung Hom (through Registrar General) Kowloon City , , , , , , Yanmati , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	10,630.47 444.00 242.10 480.30 934.50 1,114.00 10.00 11.55 2,067.19	15,934.11 1,883.95 2,135.67 1,933.95
Balance :—		21,887.08
At Current Account Cash in hand Advance to dispensary clerks Bad coins	6,086.28 61.28 60.00 4.15	6,211.71
Total,		28,099.39

Table IX d.

YAUMATI DISPENSARY.

Receipts:	\$ c.	\$ c.
Balance, Subscriptions, &c., Refund of loan to Hunghom Dispensary, Loan from Mr. Li Fung-shan,	•••••	1,452.13 3,294.02 105.30 751.55
Total,	••••	5,603.00
Expenditure:— Through Registrar General's Office, " Local Committee,	1,933.95 3,088.77	5,022,72
Balance:— At Registrar General's Office, With Committee,	384.23 196.05	580.28
Total,		5,603.00

HUNGHOM DISPENSARY.

Receipts:	\$ c.	\$ c.
Balance,		1,222.94 3,202.50 365.00
Total,		4,790.44
Expenditure:— Through Registrar General's Office, " Local Committee,	1,883.95 2,125.18	4,000,10
Balance:— At Registrar General's Office, With Committee,	449.37 331.94	4,009.13
Total,		781.31 4.790.44

KOWLOON CITY DISPENSARY.

Receipts:— Subscriptions, &c., Subscription from Shamshuipo Temple,	$\begin{array}{c} \$ & c. \\ 2,215.16 \\ 219.97 \end{array}$	\$ c.
Grant by Government,		2,435.13 480.00 764.58
Expenditure:—		3,679.71
Through Registrar General's Office, Through Local Committee,	2,135.67 1,450.64	0.700.01
Balance:— At Registrar General's Office, With Committee,	93.40	3,586.31 93.40
Total,		3,679.71

VICTORIA DISPENSARIES.

Receipts:-	\$ c.	\$ c.
Balance,Subscriptions, &c.,	14,266.05	2,928.89
Subscription from Hongkong Procession,	4,809.95	19,076.00
Interest,		71.91
Total,	•••••	22,076.80
Expenditure:— Maintenance of Dispensaries, Subvention to Kowloon City Dispensary,	$15,\!934.11 \\ 764.58$	
Balance :		16,698.69
At Current Account,	$5,\!252.68 \\ 61.28$	
Cash in hand,	60.00	
Bad coins,	4.15	5,378.11
Total,	•••••	22,076.80

Receipts and Expenditure relative to the Chinese Recreation Ground for the year 1907.

Dr.					Cr.
1907.	`	(1)	1907.		(1)
1st Jan.	To Balance,, Rent,	$egin{array}{c} & c. \ 6,323 \ 1,336 \end{array}$		By Salary of Collector,, Salary of 3 District	$egin{array}{c} & c. \ 24 \end{array}$
	,,,	· .		Watchmen,	45 0
	[.]		l	" Salary of Scavenger,	84
			•	" Uniform for Watchmen,	27
	. /	-	,	, Water consumed at	
	. /			Cooking Stalls, &c.,	131
	/ /			" Premium on Fire Ince.	
	/ 1			Policy,	8
			•	, Repairs of Damage by	
		•		Typhoon,	314
	4			"Hire of Plants,	120
	/ .			,, Repairs to Wooden	
		•		Pavilion,	17
				" Purchase of Benches,…	53
				" Notice Board,	3
		-		", Oil,	12
				" Brooms,	• 2
				"Sundries,	$oldsymbol{5}$
				,, Balance,	$6,\!408$
					·
	Total,\$	7,660.33		Total,\$	7,660.33
	Ψ				

(1) Cents omitted except in the totals.

Table XI.

1907.			1907.	
Jan. 1	To Balance on Fixed Deposit,\$3,500	(1)	By Refund of Passage Money,	\$ c 383 ()
	,, ,, Current Account, 1,607	ı	" Gifts to 38 women on being married	84
	" " Cash, 65		" Allowance for 12 months to Cheng	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5,173	Ma Shi,	60
	Dunana Managara 1	0.000	" Allowance for 12 months to Chan	
	" Passage Money received,, Temporary Deposit Account—Li Ng,	$^{2,282}_{50}$	Cheung,	24
	" Interest on fixed deposit,	140	" Allowance for 12 months to Pang Wa, " Kwong Ho,	$\frac{36}{24}$
	" Interest on Current Account,	37	,, Kwong Ho, ,	18
	, Anonymous subscription from America,	9	" , from 12/06-11/08 to Cheung	
	" Miscellaneous,	•	Kau Nui,	24
	" Miscellaneous Refunds	45	., Allowance for Oct. to Cheng Fung Shi,	2
	/		" Nov. & Dec. to Fung Ho,	4
i		ţ	" Annual Subscription to Miss Eyre's	100
	,	- 1	Refuge,, Transfer of Temporary Deposit Ac-	100
į	/ /	1	count from Li Ng to R. G. O.	
		i	Charitable Fund R. G. O. 31/07m.	50
	/	Į.	" Assistance towards repatriating emi-	
i	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		grants,	56
			,, Travelling expenses, ricksha and ferry	000
į	, '	1	fares, &c.,,, Various small gifts to emigrants, ship-	220
	7		wrecked sailors and other dis-	
			tressed persons,	153
- 1			,, Photographs, postage,	79
	<i>,</i> *		" Refund of temporary deposit account,	
1	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	l	Leung Tsoi,	500
	. /	l	R. G. O. 66/07m	21
ļ			,. Prizes towards of the Po Leung Kuk,	4
			" Grant towards Endowment Fund of	*.
	√	ı	Alice Memorial Hospital,	1,250
İ	- / · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		" Interest due to Miss Eyre's Refuge,	35
			" Balance :—	
	_/	ĺ	Miss Eyre's Refuge Endow- ment Fund,\$3,250	
1		1	Current Account,	
1.	/	• 1	Cash, 57	
				4,607
ľ	Total,\$	7,737.41	Total,	7,737.41

(1) Cents omitted except in the totals.

Table XII.

Dr.	Registrar G e	neral's	Office	Charitable Fund.	Cr.
1905 to 1907	To Donations :— Mr. Lau Chu-pak,	\$ c. · (1) 50	1907	By Cash Book,	\$ c. (1)
	Mr. A. Rumjahn,	50		,, Rubber Stamp,	1
ļ	Wo-cheung,	50		" Balance,	245
	Wo-shing,	10			
ļ	Mr. Li Wai-lam,	5			
	Smaller sums,	6		/	
	" Miscellaneous Receipts,	71			
	" Interest,	5			
	Total,\$	247.97		Total,\$	247.97

(1) Cents omitted except in the totals.



Table XIII.

Prosecutions under Ordinances No. 3 of 1888, No. 1 of 1889; No. 2 of 1890, No. 7 of 1896 and No. 4 of 1897.

Offence.	No. of	Conv	Convicted.		arged.
	Cases.	М.	F.	М.	F.
Ordinance No. 3 of 1888. Bills—posting without permission,	5 4	5 4			
Fireworks—Discharging without permits,	17	66 	•••	8	
Chinese Theatre—Breach of conditions of Licence for,	3	2	•••	1	•••
Decoying men or boys into or away from the Colony,	8 1 15	8 1 13	•••	2 2	
Personating Emigrants,	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••
Contraventions of, and offences under, (failing to produce proper certificates of vaccination),	l		•••	4	•••
Failing to report Death,	 6	 3	2	3	
ORDINANCE No. 4 of 1897. Abduction of girls under the age of 16 years, Decoying women and girls into or away from the Colony,	$\frac{2}{11}$	•••	1	4 5	10
Detaining, harbouring or receiving women or girls,	15 1	3	1	11	5
trading in them,	6		•••	5	1



Table XIV.

Student Interpreters.

Name.	Date of Ap	pointment.	Where	e employed.	Remarks.	•
Li Sik Lün Tsang Shiu Lun Wong Wai Sam Cheung Tsam Lo Kam Chak Lo Yuk Lai Tang Tat Hung Tsang Tam Fuk Wong Ka Tseung Sung Tsui Lun Fung Ping Shan Wong Shing Fan Chung Cheuk Ki Leung Tün Sheung Wong Man Pui Ng Yuk Shaü Wong Tai Kau Chan Man Kwong Wong Li Kwong Lau King Tsing Chung Kam Chün Shin Chung Shang Fok Tung Wong Ping Chiu Lo In Nin Chan Kwok Ying	Date of Ap Ist Decemany """ """ Sth Februa 14th Apri 22nd June 10th July 9th Septem 27th July 4th Octol 6th Marc "st Augument 21st Februa "" 21st Februa "" 27th Septem 27th Februa	ber, 1901. """ """ """ """ """ """ """ """ """	Reg. Ge Sanitary The 1 Police	Department. Department. Magistracy. Department. Department. " Department. " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	Resigned. Resigned. Dismissed. Resigned. Dismissed. Dismissed. Dismissed.	(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
Γsoi Tak Sam Ng Chak Wing	", " ", " ", " ", " ", " ", " ", " ",	bor "			•••••	
Chü Tsau Hing	_				***	
Fung Lo	" "	"			*****	

On account of ill-health, while a Student Interpreter.
 On account of weak health; telephone clerk in Sanitary Department.
 For misconduct, while a Student Interpreter.
 Allowed to resign on forfeiture of bond.
 For laziness, while a Student Interpreter.



Appendix A.

Report of the Po Leung Kuk, for the year 1907.

The following ten gentlemen were elected on the $23\mathrm{rd}$ March to act as Managing Committee for the year 1907:—

CHAN KENG WAN.
CHÜ TSZ HING.
HUI CHIU LAM.
KWOK IU-WUN.
LEUNG KIN ON.
LI PO KWAI.
TAM TSZ KONG.
U CHÜ WAN.
UEN WAN KIU.
WONG LAI CHÜN.

On the 18th June the Board lost by death the services of Mr. Ir Oi-shan who had been a member since 1896. His enlightened advice will be greatly missed. Mr. Tam Tsz-kong was appointed on the 14th November to fill the vacancy.

On the 7th October the Po Leung Kuk was visited by His Excellency the Governor and Lady Lugard, and a present was given by Lady Lugard to each of the inmates.

A statement of the Assets and Liabilities of the Society on the 31st December (together with a statutory declaration to the truth of it made by the two Treasurers), and two statements, one shewing the working account and the other the receipts and expenditure for the year are attached.

The balance to the credit of the Society on the 31st December was \$18,790.77 compared with \$16,732.66 at the close of 1906. Of this balance \$15,000 is a portion of the original endowment fund, and is placed on fixed deposit with five Chinese banks. The actual expenditure for the year is \$7,774.11 as against \$7,855.13 in 1906. The subscriptions collected during the year amounted to \$8,344 as against \$7,804 in 1906. The expenditure is lower than it has been since 1902, and the subscriptions are \$1,000 higher than they were in that year.

The Visiting Justices, Mr. Duncan Clark and Mr. Chau Shu-ki, have paid thirteen visits to the Po Leung Kuk during the year.

Ten meetings of the Permanent Board of Direction have been held. The average attendance of members was ten, and sometimes as many as six members of the Managing Committee have been present. In addition to considering matters relating to the internal management of the Po Leung Kuk, the Board have discussed exhaustively the detection of abuses connected with assisted emigration, the disposal of girls under 16 years of age who have been trained for an immoral life and have been sent to the Po Leung Kuk under warrant by the Registrar General, and the giving of financial assistance to Miss Eyre's Refuge. The views of the directors on the precautions to be observed for checking emigration abuses have been communicated to the Government, definite rules have been laid down for dealing with girls under sixteen who come under the charge of the Society, and assistance is to be given to Miss Eyre's Refuge proportionate to the balance of revenue over expenditure in the Society's hands at the close of each year. An interim grant of \$500 is being made for 1907.

A return is attached shewing the accommodation of the Home, the number of the Staff, the number of women and children admitted during the year and the disposition made in each case. Two hundred and forty-five (245) women, 57 girls and 14 small boys making a total of 316 individuals were admitted into the Home.

Miss Eyre, Miss Fletcher and Miss Pitts have continued their weekly visits, and a supply of toys for the small children is kept up. A conjurer also has given a performance.

The matron, Mrs. Hammond, does her work conscientiously and well and so does the teacher. A new sewing-mistress was engaged in May but resigned at the close of the year, and it is proposed to see whether the sewing-lessons cannot be given by the matron herself.



The old Tung Wa Hospital dispensary and the yard surrounding it have been altered for occupation by the Po Leung Kuk; a door has been opened into the street at the back which is now included in the Hospital premises and the inmates of the Po Leung Kuk are now able to make use of both the street and the yard for taking exercise. It is proposed by the hospital to plant the street with trees.

The average number of inmates at the end of each month was 34. The two upper floors alone of the original quarters can legally accommodate 45 persons so it is now possible to separate the various classes quite effectively.

In March rules were drawn up to define the duties of the matron and servants. Additional rules for the guidance of the matron are now under consideration.

In May Dr. Sibree very kindly consented to accept the post of Visiting Surgeon. The thanks of the Society are due to the Tung Wa Hospital for placing the services of the House Surgeon at their disposal for so long, and to the House Surgeon himself, Dr. Jew Hawk.

The Man Mo Temple Committee have for nine years subscribed to the Po Leung Kuk one-fifth of the amount collected for the annual religious festivals. Last year their subscription was \$1,918. Their initiative has now been followed by the two committees at West Point who are in charge of the annual All Souls Festival held there. In 1907 they subscribed \$250 and the subscription will be gradually increased till it reaches one-fifth of the receipts.

A. W. Brewin, Registrar General, *President*. Ho Kai, *Vice-President*.

26th February, 1908.

We, Chiu Chau-sam and Ku Fai-shan, members of the Board of Direction of the Po Leung Kuk, Incorporated Society, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the attached statements of Assets and Liabilities of above Society on the 31st December, 1907, marked "A" and signed with our names on the 22nd February, 1908, is a true statement, and we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of "The Statutory Declarations Act 1835".

招畫三

Declared by the declarants Chiu Chau-sam and Ku Fai-shan at Victoria, Hongkong, this twenty-second February, 1908, through the interpretation of Wong Kwon-tin of Hongkong, the said Wong Kwong-tin having also first declared that he had truly, distinctly and audibly interpreted the contents of this document to the said declarants and that he would faithfully interpret the declaration about to be administered unto them.

Before me,

G. A. Woodcock, J.P., Victoria.

You do solemnly and sincerely declare that you well understand the English and Chinese languages, and that you have truly, distinctly and audibly interpreted the contents of this document to the declarants Chiu Chau-sam and Ku Fai-shan, and that you will truly and faithfully interpret the declaration about to be administered to them.

Wong Kwong-tin.

Declared at the Hongkong Sanitary Board Office, Beaconsfield, Hongkong, this twenty-second day of February, 1908.

Before me,

G. A. Woodcock, J.P., Victoria.



Statement "A" of Assets and Liabilities of the Po Leung Kuk Incorporated Society on the 31st December, 1907.

Assets.	\$ c.	Liabilities.
On fixed deposit in the hands of the Sui Kat, Hung Ue, Ming San, Shing Tak		Nil.
Kat, Hung Ue, Ming San, Shing Tak and Sui Cheung Banks,	15,000.00	
Trading Society,		
Total,	18,790.77	,

招畫三 古輝山

This is the statement marked "A" referred to in the Declaration of CHIU CHAU-SAM and KU FAI-SHAN declared before me this twenty-second day of February, 1908.

G. A. WOODCOCK, J.P., Victoria.

PO LEUNG KUK.

PERMANENT BOARD OF DIRECTION.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure from 1st January to 31st December, 1907.

RECEIPTS.	\$ c.	\$ c.	Expenditure.	\$ c.	\$ c .
Balance from previous year-			Elected Committee,		7,500.00
On fixed deposit,		16,732.66	Stamps,		2,55
Interest— On deposit, On Current Account,			Balance— On fixed deposit, At Current Account,		
Subscriptions,		1,216.66 8,344.00	•		18,790.77
Total,		26,293.32	Total,		26,293.32

Statement showing particulars of Expenditure by the Elected Committee from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1907.

Receipts.	\$ c.	Expenditure.	* c.	\$ c.
Balance from previous year,	18 5. 96	Decorations,	48.30	• 0.
		Food,	1,913.84	
Received from Permanent Board,	7,500.00	Grant to Miss Eyre's Refuge,	250.00	
,	ŕ	Insurance,	321.61	
Miscellaneous receipts,	235.73	Light and Fire,	932.39	
• ′		Miscellaneous,	484.72	
		Passage Money,	214.06	
		Petty Expenditure,	376.89	~
·		Printing,	122.00	
1		Repairs,	557.35	
		Stationery,	81.58	
		Wages,	2,471.37	
		-		7,774.11
·		Balance,		147.58
Total,	7,921.69	Total,		7,921.69

Return showing number of beds, of the staff, and of the persons whose cases have been dealt with by the Po Leung Kuk during the year 1907:—

Beds for the inmates,76	
Number of staff,	

	Women.	Girls.	Boys.	Total.
Inmates in the Home on 31st December, 1906, Total admitted during the year 1907,	$rac{28}{245}$	1 57	14	29 316
Total,	273	58	14	345

	Women.	Girls.	Boys.	Total.
Restored to parents or relatives or sent to Charitable Institutions in China, Sent to Missionary School, Sent to Convent, Married, Adopted, Permitted to leave, Still in charge of the Society,	104 8 3 38 2 85 33	43 2 3 10 	11 2 	158 10 6 38 14 85 34
Total,	273	58	- 14	345

Medical Report on the Po Leung Kuk for the year 1907. . .

The health of the inmates during the seven and a half months that I have had medical oversight of the institution has been good.

During the earlier months there were a few cases of Beri-beri but for the last four months we have had none and from the two previous years' reports I notice the numbers are decreasing.

One case of mumps appeared but was at once isolated and no further cases appeared.

I have visited the Institution regularly three days a week and have found it as a rule clean and well kept. The food is good and the new garden affords an opportunity for exercise which was much needed.

Appended is a Table showing diseases treated.

ALICE D. SIBREE, Inspecting Medical Officer. Cases treated at the Po Leung Kuk during 1907:—

Malarial Fever,
Dysentery, 1
Diarrhœa, 2
Beri-beri, 5
Syphilis, 6
Rheumatism, 2
Mumps,
Diseases of the Eye, 7
" ,, Respiratory System,14
", ", Digestive System,16
Anæmia,
Tonsillitis, 2
Boils, 3
Parasites, 5
Injuries, 4
Hæmorrhoids, 1
Dental Extractions, 5
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Appendix B.

Statement of receipts and payments of the Tuny Wa Hospital for the Ting Mi year (1907).

Balance brought forward from Peng Ng year, To Rent of Hospital property, 27,014.94 , Annual subscriptions of Hongs, 12,433.00 , Subscriptions of various shops, 1,590.00 crs, 4,632.38 , collected and Donations, 1,516.25 , Subscribed by Charitable persons for the purpose of supplying medicine, quilted clothing and	c. By Food of Employees,
Coffins	Drugs

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at the close of the year of Ting Mi (1907).

LIABILITIES.	AMOUNT.		Assets.	AMOUNT.	
To Loan from Relief Fund,	29,681.33 15,226.69	\$ c. 59,209.11 83,309.75	By Bank's balance, "House property (original value)— "2 houses in Bonham Strand and Jervois Street, "1 house in Wing Lok Street (including cost of additions to buildings), "10 houses in Aberdeen Street and Tung Wa Lane (including cost of additions to buildings), "2 houses in Connaught Road and Des Vœux Road, "7 houses in Queen's Road West (including cost of additions to buildings), "2 houses in Bonham Koad West, "3 houses in Bonham Strand, "3 Subscriptions not yet paid,	\$ e. 10,400.00 8,108.28 14,900.00 17,386.00 30,363.00 26,000.00 15,000.00	\$ c. 15,031.59 122,157.28 5,330.00
T	otal,\$	142,518.87	Tot	tal,\$	142,518.87