

Appendix Q.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE YEAR 1924.

Expenditure.

1. The amounts voted, as compared with those actually expended by the Department under the various headings, were as follows:—

	Amount voted.					
	In Estimates.	Supplement- ary Votes.	Total.	Less re-dis- tribution of Votes author- ised in C.S.O. 3620/24 (Passed on 22.5.24).	Net Total voted.	Actual Expendi- ture.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
(i) Personal Emol- ments and Other Charges,	1,092,542.00	220,854.81	1,313,396.81	...	1,313,396.81	1,184,482.27
(iA) Special Expen- diture ; safe for Accounts Office, . . . . .	...	286.00	286.00	...	286.00	285.63
(ii) Annually Recur- rent Works,	1,135,500.00	722,810.81	1,858,310.81	...	1,858,310.81	1,793,968.69
(iii) Extraordinary Works,	6,997,100.00	5,075,699.97	12,072,799.97	2,031,300.00	10,041,499.97	8,112,785.49
Total,	\$ 9,225,142.00	6,019,651.59	15,244,793.59	2,031,300.00	13,213,493.59	11,091,522.08

Detailed statements of (ii) and (iii) are given in Annexes A and B.

With regard to (i), the saving is due partly to refunds on account of super-
vision of works executed by the Department for various Companies, and partly to
the higher rate of exchange than the one at which the Sterling Salaries in the
Estimates were converted.

In the case of (ii), savings occurred on the following sub-heads as set forth
below:—

Hongkong.

Communications.

Improvements to Roads and Bridges in City,..... \$ 585.13

Drainage.

Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c., 3,880.99

Lighting.

Gas Lighting, City and Suburbs and Hill District,..... 1,773.10

Electric Lighting, City, Hill District and Shaukiwan, 7,319.57

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Miscellaneous.

Maintenance of Praya Walls and Piers,	\$1,987.13
Maintenance of Public Cemetery,	512.44
Maintenance of Chinese Cemeteries,	40.75
Maintenance of Public Recreation Grounds,	792.07
Stores Depreciation,	51.80
Boundary Stones,	2,317.49

Water Works.

Maintenance of Aberdeen,	321.63
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Kowloon.

Buildings.

Maintenance of Roads and Bridges,	3,190.24
Improvements to Roads and Bridges,	4,801.76

Drainage.

Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c.,	4,784.13
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Lighting.

Gas Lighting,	2,518.46
Electric Lighting,	3,842.13
Extension of Lighting,	25.00

Miscellaneous.

Maintenance of Praya Walls and Piers,	17.24
Maintenance of Chinese Cemeteries,	293.13
Maintenance of Recreation Grounds, ..	754.38

New Territories.

Communications.

Improvements to Roads and Bridges,21
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Drainage.

Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, etc.,	595.90
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Lighting.

Electric Lighting, Shamshuipo,	2,762.60
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Miscellaneous.

Maintenance of Chinese Cemeteries,	100.00
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Water Works.

Maintenance of Fanling Water Works,	56.21
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The savings were far more than counterbalanced by excesses on other sub-heads set forth below :—

Hongkong.

Buildings.

Maintenance of Buildings,	\$78,541.31
Improvements to Buildings,	41,649.52
Maintenance of Lighthouses,	1,997.67

Communications.

Maintenance of Roads and Bridges in City,	14,994.68
Maintenance of Roads and Bridges outside City,	17,860.33
Improvements to Roads and Bridges outside City,	6,855.33
Maintenance of Telephones including all Cables,	6,378.75

Lighting.

Extension of Lighting,	3,669.27
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Miscellaneous.

Dredging Foreshores,	2,331.21
Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages,	356,335.65
Survey of Colony,	342.49

Water Works.

Maintenance of City and Hill District,	41,686.98
Maintenance of Shaukiwan,	83.88
Water Account (Meters, etc.),	10,312.81

Kowloon.

Buildings.

Maintenance of Buildings,	19,022.90
Improvements to Buildings,	10,976.21

Communications.

Maintenance of Telephones,	1,575.84
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Miscellaneous.

Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages,	14,759.16
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Water Works.

Maintenance of Water Works,	8,563.08
Water Account (Meters, &c.),	3,524.08

New Territories.

Buildings.

Maintenance of Buildings,	6,178.32
Improvements to Buildings,.....	4,781.87

Communications.

Maintenance of Roads and Bridges,	20,789.57
Maintenance of Telephones,	91.37

Miscellaneous.

Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages,.....	26,242.18
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Water Works.

Maintenance of Laichikok,.....	2,090.94
Maintenance of Taipo Water Works,.....	165.50
Water Account (Meters, etc.),	12.74

(iii). The considerable saving under this head is due, in some cases, to the works, for which substantial sums were allocated, not being proceeded with during the year; in other cases to less progress being made than was anticipated.

The former include :—

Quarters for Sanitary Inspector, Kennedy Town,
 Extension to Lairage, and Coolie Quarters, Kennedy Town,
 Reinstatement of Kennedy Town Police Station,
 Saiyingpun Market,—Reconstruction,
 New Infectious Diseases Hospital,
 Inspector's Quarters, Cart Shed and Garage next to No.
 1 Police Station,
 Bay View Police Station,
 Peak Police Station,
 Quarry Bay School,
 Pokfulam Police Station,—New Quarters for Sergeant,
 Road from Western end of Robinson Road to Conduit
 Road,
 Road from Caine Road to Robinson Road,
 West Bay Development,—Road Construction,
 Wongneichong Development,—Road Construction,
 Queen's Road, West,—Improvements,
 Laying Sewer in connection with Conduit and Hatton
 Roads Development Scheme,
 Portable Tar and Asphalt Mixer,
 Sanitary Depôt, Watson Street,
 Kennedy Town Reclamation, exclusive of wharfage,

Coal Bunkers, Taitam Tuk Pumping Station,
 Shek O Water Supply,
 Road Improvements at Arsenal Street,—Resumption of
 and alteration to buildings,
 Police Station, Mongkoktsui,
 Cattle and Swine Depôt, Yaumati,
 Quarters for Scavenging Coolies at Yaumati,
 Trough Closet at Kowloon City,
 Additional Cattle Shed, Mataukok,
 Quarters for Revenue Officers, Yaumati,
 Officers' Quarters, Kowloon,
 Hunghom Market Extension, 12 fish Stalls with Tanks,
 To Kwa Wan Market, 16 Stalls for beef, pork, fish and
 poultry,
 Closed Market, 130 Stalls to replace Yaumati Old Market,
 Enlargement of vegetable "Lan", Waterloo Road,
 Extension to stabling at Kowloon Disinfecting Station,
 Garage, and arrangement of Workshop,
 Slaughter House, Taikoktsui,
 Workshop and Quarters for Electric and Telephone Staff,
 Matauchung,—Training and diverting main stream-course,
 Homuntin District,—Training stream-course in new
 Cemeteries area,
 Matauchung District, Stormwater drainage,
 Main Sewer from Fuk Tsun Heung to Kaulungtung,
 East of Railway,
 Kai Tack Reclamation,
 Quarters for Government Officers, North of Kaulung-
 tong Area,
 Erection of a brick Bungalow at Taipo for Public Works
 Department in place of the existing one,
 District Sanitary Office, Shamshui-po,
 Cheung Chau School,
 Un Long School,
 Kaulungtung Development Area,—Connection of Stream
 North of this area to Main Nullah,
 Main Sewer from Fuk Tsun Heung in a North-easterly
 direction to Taipo Road,
 Motor Launch for taking soundings and making current
 observation,
 Erection of sheds for 60 Chinese and 60 Indian Police at
 the Berlin Mission Compound, Hospital Road,
 Installation of a Valve Transmitting set for Cape
 D'Aguilar Wireless Station,
 Erection of shore marks and signs over the Cable Reserve.

The latter category include:—

Fire Brigade Station,
 Victoria Hospital,—Maternity Block, and alterations and
 extensions to existing buildings,
 New Saiyingpun School,

New Queen's College,
 New Government Offices, alterations,
 Police Station to replace No. 8,
 School at Quarry Bay,
 School at Leighton Hill,
 Central Police Station,—New Stores and Canteen,
 Magistracy,—New Cells,
 Garage near Homestead Site at the Peak,
 Government Civil Hospital, Extension to Sisters' Quarters,
 Improving and widening road through Quarry Bay
 Village,
 Wanchai Road,—Widening to 42 feet,
 Road from Causeway Bay to North Point,
 Shaukiwan Road,—Improvements in Shaukiwan Village,
 Queen's Road East,—Widening to 60 feet,
 Caine Road,—Widening and raising to new levels between
 Arbuthnot Road and Aberdeen Street,
 Shaukiwan Road,—Laying drain in connection with North
 Point Foreshore Development,
 New Ferry Piers,
 Ferry Piers for Vehicular Traffic,
 Forming rubble mound for protection to proposed
 reclamation, North Point,
 Aplichau,—Reclamation Scheme,
 Taitam Tuk Scheme,—Additional Pumping Plant:—
 (a.) Engine House and Foundations,
 (b.) Engine and Boiler,
 Mount Parker East, Catchwater,
 New Principal Water Main in the City of Victoria,
 Taitam Tuk East Catchwater, (1st Section)

Praya East Reclamation Scheme:—
 Contribution by Government towards fund for
 reclamation,
 Mongkoktsui New Market,
 Magistracy at Yaumati,
 Main Roads, Kowloon,
 Improvements to existing Main Roads, Kowloon,
 To Kwa Wan Road (100 feet wide),—Section between
 Kowloon City Road and Kowloon Marine Lot No. 90,
 Argyle Street,—Extension to its junction with Waterloo
 Road,
 New Road through King's Park and Cemeteries area,
 Homuntin,—Formation of 30-foot width and Bridge
 across Railway 60 feet wide,
 Laying Tramway, Kowloon,
 Training Nullahs,—Mongkoktsui Nullah East, extension
 through Railway Bridge,
 Miscellaneous Drainage Works,—Kaulungtung old village
 area,

Main Storm-water drain to Mongkoktsui Nullah,
 Waterloo Road Extension,— Storm-water Drainage,
 Government underground Cable Scheme, 1st Section,
 Providing Plant and opening out quarry at Taikoktsui,
 Kowloon Filter Beds Extension, Two New Beds,
 Gaol and Police Training School, Ngau Shi Wau,
 New Lunatic Asylum,
 Public latrines, urinals and bathhouses, N. T.,
 Extension of Roads in Kaulungton Development area,
 Access Road from Tsun Wan to the proposed Waterworks
 at Shing Mun Valley,
 Fanling to Shataukok Road,
 Storm-water Drain from Nan Chang Street Nullah in
 the direction of Kaulungton Village,
 Kaulungton Development Scheme, Sewers,
 Kaulungton Development Scheme, portion of Storm-
 water Drains,
 Extension of Kowloon Catchwater,
 Shing Mun Valley Scheme,
 Shek Lai Pui, Reservoir and Contingent Works,
 Fanling Waterworks Scheme,
 Erection of Quarters for Scavenging Coolies, Wanchai,
 Surfacing to Shek O Road,
 Dogs' Home, Kowloon,
 Improvement to the junction of Gascoigne and Nathan
 Roads, Kowloon,—Cutting away the Hill,
 Filling in large area near Kowloon City.

Comparison of Expenditure, 1923 and 1924.

2. The following is a statement of the expenditure in 1924 as compared with that of the previous year:—

	1923.	1924.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
(i) Personal Emoluments and Other Charges, ...	900,573.35	1,184,482.27	283,908.92	.....
(iA) Special Expenditure,	1,209.36	285.63	.....	923.73
(ii) Annually Recurrent Works,	1,424,532.80	1,793,968.69	369,435.89	.....
(iii) Extraordinary Works,	4,716,602.94	8,112,785.49	3,396,182.55	.....
Total, ... \$	7,042,918.45	11,091,522.08	4,049,527.36	923.73

Item (i).—The increase is due to the increase of staff.

The average rate of exchange for 1924 was $2/4\frac{1}{2}$ as compared with $2/3\frac{1}{4}$ for 1923.

Item (ii).—The increase is due to :—

- (a.) Excesses of about \$105,600, \$21,500 and \$3,600 on Hongkong, Kowloon, and New Territories Buildings, respectively.
- (b.) Excesses of about \$53,700, \$22,000 and \$20,800 on Hongkong, Kowloon and New Territories Communications, respectively.
- (c.) Excesses of about \$9,400, \$3,500, and \$200 on Hongkong, Kowloon, and New Territories Lightings, respectively.
- (d.) Excess of \$118,300 on Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, Hongkong.
- (e.) Excesses of about \$83,300, \$4,600 and \$3,300 on Hongkong, Kowloon and New Territories Waterworks, respectively.

That the actual aggregate increase is only \$369,435.89 as stated in the above table is due to decreases of about \$47,400 and \$52,100 on Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, Kowloon, and New Territories, respectively and small decreases of \$3,665.48 on Drainage Works, Hongkong, Kowloon and New Territories.

Item (iii).—The expenditures on Hongkong, Kowloon and New Territories show increases of \$1,864,776.05, \$557,948.59 and \$586,967.06, respectively.

The expenditure on Votes not appearing in Estimates for the year is \$533,817.55 as compared with \$147,326.70 representing an increase of \$386,490.85.

The increases are on Compensation and Resumptptions which alone accounted for an increase of over \$1,900,000 and on nearly every sub-head under "Buildings", "Communications", "Drainage" "Miscellaneous" and "Waterworks", with the exception of Buildings, Hongkong and Kowloon, Miscellaneous Hongkong, and Drainage, New Territories, which show decreases of \$1,145.69, \$46,653.27, \$9,824.85 and \$33,204.50 respectively.

COMPARISON OF EXPENDITURE ON PUBLIC WORKS
DURING 1914—1924.

Year.	Personal Emoluments and Other Charges.	Special Expenditure.	Annually Recurrent Works.	Extraordinary Works.	Total Expenditure.
	\$ a.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1914	413,850.57	660.00	567,100.18	1,639,594.72	2,621,205.47
1915	399,273.72	422.04	558,448.03	1,839,882.01	2,798,030.80
1916	400,934.11	271.33	624,872.51	1,246,871.75	2,272,949.70
1917	402,772.20	.....	609,308.45	1,612,835.28	2,624,915.93
1918	374,906.32	296.30	712,675.37	1,578,149.12	2,666,027.11
1919	390,006.29	1,376.35	822,509.87	2,235,002.95	3,448,895.46
1920	468,371.82	615.96	825,493.70	2,555,877.69	3,850,359.17
1921	650,900.00	699.00	938,582.38	3,053,525.11	4,643,706.49
1922	820,529.49	1,145.40	1,074,646.30	3,575,635.19	5,471,956.38
1923	900,573.35	1,209.36	1,424,532.80	4,716,602.94	7,042,918.45
1924	1,184,482.27	285.63	1,793,968.69	8,112,755.49	11,091,622.08
Total...\$	6,406,605.14	6,981.37	9,952,138.28	32,166,762.25	48,532,487.04

Revenue from Water Works.

3. Water Works Revenue.—The following is a statement of the revenue derived from Water Works in 1924, the figures for 1923 being given in a parallel column for purposes of comparison :—

	1924.			1923 Total.
	Excess Consumption.	Rate 2%.	Total.	
	\$ a.	\$ c.	\$ c.	
City: including Wongnei-chong Village and properties bordering Shaukiwan Road, ...	284,936.30	344,684.33	629,620.63	580,206.94
Hill District, ...	15,994.03	8,559.85	24,553.88	22,951.15
Pokfulam District, ...	7,840.89	.....	7,840.89	7,664.25
Kowloon: including Shamshuipo and Kowloon City, ...	139,137.14	75,658.05	214,795.19	174,967.76
Aberdeen, ...	4,084.24	1,006.11	5,090.35	5,182.11
Repulse Bay, ...	2,757.86	.....	2,757.86	2,839.82
Shaukiwan, ...	5,343.08	5,572.01	10,915.09	10,325.52
Taitam Tuk, ...	326.65	.....	326.65	376.35
Laichikok, ...	77,975.42	.....	77,975.42	81,176.00
Fan Ling, ...	2,024.26	.....	2,024.26	1,619.41
Tai Po, ...	113.95	.....	113.95	.....
Total, ... \$	540,533.82	435,480.25	976,014.17	887,309.31

COMPARISON OF WATER WORKS REVENUE 1923 and 1924.

	1923.	1924.
City (as above stated),	\$ 580,206.94	\$ 629,620.63
Hill District,	22,951.15	24,553.88
Pokfulam District,	7,664.25	7,840.89
Kowloon,	174,967.76	214,795.19
Aberdeen,	5,182.11	5,090.35
Repulse Bay,	2,839.82	2,757.86
Shaukiwan,	10,325.52	10,915.09
Taitam Tuk,	376.35	326.65
Laichikok,	81,176.00	77,975.42
Fan Ling,	1,619.41	2,024.26
Tai Po, ... ..	.....	113.95
	<u>\$ 887,309.31</u>	<u>\$ 976,014.17</u>

Land Sales and Surveys.

4. Land Sales, Extensions, Grants, etc.—The total amount of premia paid into the Treasury during the year was \$1,950,812.38 of which \$6,456.50 was derived from fees for boundary stones.

The estimate for the year was \$1,500,000.00.

The following is a comparative statement of the Revenue derived from Land Sales, etc., for the years 1922–1924 :—

	1922.	1923.	1924.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
Sales by Auction	1,198,308.00	2,862,270.00	736,916.00
Sales without Auction	152,451.91	119,347.20	468,282.26
Extensions granted	46,842.23	316,868.50	464,412.55
Grants on Nominal Terms	—	—	—
Grants on Short Leases... ..	—	—	—
Extensions of Short Period Leases to 75 years	—	—	—
Premia derived from Sale of Rights to erect piers	2,907.05	44,297.80	18,846.00
Fees for Boundary Stones to define Lots	4,523.25	6,552.25	7,173.25
Conversions and Exchanges	10,857.12	71,556.39	185,605.14
Total,	\$ 1,415,889.56	3,420,892.14	1,881,235.20
Actual amount of premia paid into Treasury	\$ 2,720,665.61	3,498,624.04	1,950,812.38

The difference between the above two totals is accounted for by the payment of premium in 1924 for certain transactions arranged during the previous year; and failure to pay premium

on transactions during 1924 payment of instalments of premia on lots; and refunds and re-adjustments.

5. Sales by Auction.—10 lots were sold in Hongkong, 8 in Kowloon, and 9 in New Kowloon, which realized \$155,712.00, \$399,936.00 and \$90,062.00 respectively.

The District Officer (South) sold 25 small lots which realized \$14,896.00 and the District Officer (North) sold 172 lots which realized \$76,310.00.

6. Sales without Auction.—32 lots were sold under this heading in Hongkong and realized \$377,458.23. In Kowloon, 2 lots were sold and realized \$78,187.50 and 3 lots were sold in the New Territories which realized \$3,429.53. The balance of instalments of premium in respect of K. I. L. 1461 amounting to \$328,436.10 (including \$9,566.10 interest) was paid during the year.

The District Officer (South) sold 58 lots which realized \$994.00.

The District Officer (North) sold 225 lots which realized \$8,186.00.

7. Extensions granted.—The extensions granted in Hongkong comprised additional areas to Inland Lots Nos. 2289, 2348, 2349, 2350, 2351, 76, 2366, 1547, 2138, 2354, 2381, 704, 2269, 794 Sec. B, 2346, 2218, 1954, 1910, 1935, 773 Sec. A, and 1690; Marine Lot No. 321; Rural Building Lots Nos. 177, 165, 195, 213, 175, 205, 172, 215, 199, and 247.

Shaukiwan Inland Lots Nos. 483, 484, 491 & 490; Garden Lot No. 59, Aberdeen Inland Lot No. 57, and Aplichau Inland Lots Nos. 44 & 47.

In Kowloon, extensions were granted to Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 1409, 1094 & 1292 and Hunghom Inland Lot No. 256.

In New Kowloon and the New Territories, extensions were granted to New Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 218, 340, 193 & 194 and Cheung Chau Inland Lots Nos. 20 & 15. The District Officer (North) at Taipo granted extensions to 12 lots.

The District Officer (South) granted extensions to 22 lots.

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	in exchange for	Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.				Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Hongkong,—Contd.					
Apichau Inland Lot 48	2,310	in exchange for	House Site No. 33, Apichau	\$ 52.50	
" 49	3,995	do.	Apichau I. L. 17 ... ..	...
An area on the East side of Aberdeen I. L. 7	475	do.	An area on the South side of A. I. L. 7 ... ..	...
R. B. L. 255	61,400	do.	Portion of R. B. L. 244 ... ..	...
S. I. Ls. 2 & 3	1,444	do.	.....	...
S. I. L. 506	2,790	do.	S. I. L. 322	337.40	
" 505	1,860	do.	Portion of S. L. 10 ... ..	...
" 508	7,440	do.	S. L. 391 R. P.	410.00	
" 509	8,530	do.	S. Ls. 382, 381, 121, 119 & 122	
" 510	6,960	do.	" " "	
" 511	5,130	do.	" " "	
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8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Area in sq. ft.	Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Hongkong,—Contd.			
S. I. L. 513	3,720	S. L. 129	\$
" 514	3,720	" 129	...
" 515	3,720	" 131	...
" 516	4,092	" 131	...
" 517	3,100	" 127	...
" 518	2,790	" 127	...
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Kowloon.			
Kowloon Inland Lot 1664	1,860	Hok Un Lot 33	180.00
" 1663	930	" 7	218.50
" 1665	930	" 31	283.50
" 1667	930	" 12	112.50
" 1660	930	" 32	...
" 1674	930	" 17	...

8.—Conversions and Exchanges, —Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Area in sq. ft.	Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Kowloon, —Contd.			
Kowloon Inland Lot 1693	1,860	Ho Mun Tin Lots Nos. 16 & 17	\$ 653.00
" 1702	930	Mongkok Lot 32	50.90
" 1704	930	" 34	17.80
" 1703	930	" 33	...
" 1705	930	" 35	23.80
" 1706	1,860	" 36	9.00
" 1707	930	" 37	23.00
" 1708	930	" 38	34.00
" 1709	930	" 39	19.00
" 1710	930	" 40	41.00
" 1723	1,916	" 4	52.40
" 1728	2,790	Matauwei Lots 8 & 50	431.00
" 1734	930	Hok Un Lot 51	466.00
" 1735	57	K. I. L. 216 Sec. C, R. P.	...
" 448	900	K. I. Ls. 448 & 449	...
" 479	180	" 479, 480 & 481	...
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8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

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Description of Property.				Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Kowloon,—Contd.					
Kowloon Inland Lot 713 R. P. ...	1757	64	do.	K. I. L. 718 Sec. B (Houses 348-354 Shanghai St.) ...	714.00
"		468	do.	K. I. Ls. 850-867 & 868 ...	525.00
"	1758	1,860	do.	K. I. L. 1105 Sec. B ...	...
"	1765	3,563	do.	" 394 R. P. ...	...
"	1766	134	do.	" 1135 ...	...
"	1135	268	do.	" 1104 (formerly Sec. A) ...	1,295.00
"	1104	562	do.	" 200 ...	1,033.00
"	1777	1,860	do.	" 1407 Sec. A ...	...
"	1778	2,712	do.	" 701 ...	900.00
"	1751	1,860	do.	Hok Un Lot 30 ...	208.00
"	1680	2,790	do.	K. I. L. 1586 ...	...
"	1784	12,090	do.	K. I. L. 713 Sec. A, s.s. 2, R. P. ...	...
"	1787	62	do.	(House No. 382, Shanghai Street) ...	217.00

8.—Conversions and Exchanges, —Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Area in sq. ft.	Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Kowloon, —Contd.			
Kowloon Inland Lot 1661	930	To Kwa Wan Lot 140...	\$ 260.00
" 1671	930	Shek Shan Lot 5 ...	95.00
" 1240	930	To Kwa Wan Lot 86...	141.00
" 1241	930	"	...
" 1242	930	" 177...	117.00
" 1243	1,860	" 178...	112.00
" 1244	930	" 183...	41.00
" 444	1,800	" 184...	...
" 1767	3,782	K. I. L. 444 Sec. A. & R. P. ...	...
" 926	31	" 1104 (formerly Sec. A) ...	...
" 1673	3,720	A portion of K. I. L. 926 ...	...
"		Part exchange for K. I. L. 1077, R. P. ...	...
"		Hok Un Lots 47 & 48 ...	349.00
"		K. I. L. 653 and To Kwa Wan Lots 80, 87, 91, 93 & 89 ...	232.00
		in exchange for	
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8.—Conversions and Exchanges, —Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	in exchange for	Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.				Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Kowloon, —Contd.					
Kowloon Inland Lot 1245	...	930	in exchange for	To Kwa Wan Lot 181...	\$ 82.00
"	...	1,860	do.	" 185...	...
"	...	1,860	do.	" 1...	...
"	...	930	do.	San Shan Lot 4 ...	60.00
"	...	930	do.	" 3 ...	60.00
"	...	3,720	do.	" 2 ...	...
"	...	3,720	do.	K. I. Ls. 888 Sec. A and 891	...
"	...	3,825	do.	K. I. L. 656 (Tam Kung Temple)	...
"	...	930	do.	To Kwa Wan Lot 12 ...	435.00
"	...	930	do.	" 15 ...	680.00
"	...	930	do.	" 22 ...	567.00
"	...	1,860	do.	Matauchung Lot 11 ...	364.00
"	...	1,860	do.	In lieu of cancellation of Memorial of re-entry on Matauchung Lot 13 R. P.	388.00

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Area in sq. ft.	Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Kowloon,—Contd.			
Kowloon Inland Lot 1759	1,963	K. I. L. 702	\$ 532.50
" 1878	59	K. I. L. 216 Sec. C, s. s. 1	...
" 1853	930	To Kwa Wan Lot 13	423.00
" 1899	930	Matauwei Lot 37	71.50
" 1888	1,994	To Kwa Wan Lot 2	602.00
" 1901	2,518	To Kwa Wan Lots 8, 38 & 176	252.00
" 1724	17,324	K. I. Ls. 887, 890 & 893	...
" 1725	25,893	"	...
" 1726	31,880	"	...
" 1727	14,170	"	...
" 1910	1,033	" Matauchung Lot 9	383.25
" 1911	1,162	" 8	457.50
" 1912	1,033	" 10	462.75
" 1913	2,066	" 12	593.25
" 1864	17,255	Portion of K. I. L. 894	...
			...

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	in exchange for	Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.			Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Kowloon,—Contd.					
Kowloon Inland Lot 1779	...	2,790	in exchange for	K. I. Ls. 723, 724, 725	122.50
" 1780	...	1,860	do.	K. I. L. 186	900.00
" 1796	...	13,909	do.	K. I. L. 888 Sec. B.	...
" 1807	...	2,790	do.	K. I. L. 832, 833 & portion of K. I. L. 739	1,425.00
" 1719	...	3,679	do.	K. I. Ls. 838, 841, 851, 866 & 916	1,260.00
" 1760	...	930	do.	K. I. L. 1121 R. P.	153.00
" 1861	...	930	do.	K. I. L. 835	450.00
" 1862	...	930	do.	K. I. L. 834	450.00
" 1762	...	1,974	do.	K. I. L. 197	1,185.00
" 1764	...	982	do.	K. I. L. 853	1,705.00
" 1773	...	982	do.	K. I. L. 808	580.00
" 1774	...	1,963	do.	K. I. Ls. 860, 861, 862 & 863	465.00
" 1788	...	1,963	do.	K. I. L. 1279	1,140.00
" 1919	...	1,085	do.	Matauchung Lot 7	368.25

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	in exchange for	Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.				Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
Kowloon,—Contd.					
Kowloon Inland Lot 1920	...	62		K. I. L. 713 Sec. A, s.s. 2, Sec. A	\$...
"	1926	930	do.	"	907.50
"	1925	1,085	do.	Ma Ti Lot 1	380.25
"	1931	1,198	do.	Matachung Lot 6	...
"	1169	5,580	do.	" 5	2,264.00
"	1929	2,790	do.	Portions of K. I. L. 1169	...
"	1922	2,945	do.	K. I. Ls. 825, 826 & 827	1,895.00
Hungloam Inland Lot 261	...	2,700	do.	Hungloam I. L. 220 Sec. C	2,145.50
"	259	2,140	do.	" " B	231.00
"	262	5,032			
"	263	5,032			
"	264	5,032	do.	I. Ls. 228-243-247	13,748.00
"	265	5,673		227, 251 & 252	
"	266	2,653	do.	" I. L. 224	980.00

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	in exchange for	Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.			Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
New Kowloon.					
New Kowloon Inland Lot 511	...	1,080	in exchange for	Lot 2202, S. D. IV	...
"	512	1,080	do.	Lot 2788 R. P., S. D. IV	1,880.00
"	518	1,080	do.	Lot 3039, S. D. IV	148.00
"	519	1,080	do.	Lot 2203, S. D. IV	125.00
"	522	1,080	do.	Lot 2813 R. P., S. D. IV	1,880.00
"	523	2,160	do.	Lots 2863 & 2873 R. P., S. D. IV	148.00
"	528	5,400	do.	Lots 2872 Sec. A, 2875, 2876 Sec. A, 2877, 2880, 2891 & 2892, S. D. IV	729.75
"	532	7,560	do.	Lots 2858 & 2890, S. D. IV	...
"	536	1,080	do.	Lot 2755, S. D. IV	1,032.50
"	543	1,080	do.	Lot 3021, S. D. IV	792.00
"	544	1,080	do.	Lot 169, S. D. IV	966.00
"	549	2,160	do.	Lot 2789, S. D. IV	582.60
"	550	1,080	do.	Lot 2831 Sec. A., S. D. IV	296.00
				Lot 2831 Sec. A., S. D. IV	1,018.00

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Area in sq. ft.	Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
New Kowloon,—Contd.			
New Kowloon Inland Lot 552	13,068	Lots 2415, 2442 & 3211, S. D. IV	\$...
" 473	3,844	Lot 2871, S. D. IV	1,127.00
" 474	3,844	Lot 2869 Sec. A, S. D. IV	1,127.00
" 554	1,080	Lot 3035 R. P., S. D. IV	805.00
" 555	1,080	Lot 2917, S. D. IV	...
" 556	1,080	Lots 2838 & 2839, S. D. IV	296.00
" 557	5,400	Granted in lieu of cash compensation for Lot 3173 & building portion of Lot 109, S. D. IV	...
" 559	2,160	N. K. I. L. 181 Sec. B...	...
" 562	2,160	Lot 2201, S. D. IV	966.00
"		Lots 2798 & 2859, S. D. IV	296.00
"		Lot 3016, S. D. IV	966.00
"		Lot 2821, S. D. IV	836.00
" 509	1,012	do.	...
" 568	1,935	do.	...
" 569	2,160	do.	...
" 572	1,080	do.	...
" 533	2,160	do.	...
		in exchange for	

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	in exchange for	Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.			Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
New Kowloon,—Contd.					
New Kowloon Inland Lot 573	1,152	do.	Lot 2779, S. D. IV	\$ 562.00	
" 534	2,160	do.	Lot 2822, S. D. IV	...	
" 497	1,860	do.	Lot 42/2, S. D. I	59.00	
" 486	930	do.	Lot 42/3, S. D. I	29.50	
" 577	1,092	do.	Lot 2787 Sec. A., S. D. IV	442.00	
" 578	2,184	do.	Lots 2788 Sec. A & 2783, S. D. IV	884.00	
" 414	930	do.	Lot 5066, S. D. I	247.00	
" 580	2,184	do.	Lot 907 Sec. A, S. D. IV	1,754.00	
" 582	1,152	do.	Lot 2809 R. P., S. D. IV	442.00	
" 584	1,092	do.	Lot 2781, S. D. IV	442.00	
" 585	1,092	do.	Lot 2787 R. P., S. D. IV	442.00	
" 586	2,184	do.	Lot 2782, S. D. IV	884.00	
" 591	1,152	do.	Lot 2786,	562.00	
" 592	1,092	do.	Lot 2827 R. P., S. D. IV	878.00	
" 581	997	do.	N. K. I. L. 162 Sec. A...	...	
" 599	3,276	do.	Lots 2799 & 2837, S. D. IV	2,196.00	

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	in exchange for	Areas surrendered to and Premium received by Government.	
Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.			Description of Property.	Amount of Premium.
New Kowloon,—Contd.					
New Kowloon Inland Lot 665	930		Lot 2194 Sec. A, S. D. IV ...	\$ 988.00	
" " " 540	6,970	do.	Portion of Lot 5312, S. D. I ...	...
" " " 669	3,870	do.	Lots 2193 & 2197, S. D. IV ...	770.00	
" " " 932	1,092	do.	Lot 2773, S. D. IV ...	1,312.00	
" " " 649	930	do.	Lot 5077, S. D. I ...	52.00	
" " " 936	1,860	do.	Lot 2187, S. D. IV ...	1,106.00	
" " " 937	930	do.	N. K. I. L. 300 ...	...
" " " 539	930	do.	Lot 5361 Sec A, S. D. I ...	44.00	
" " " 530	1,860	do.	Lot 6367, S. D. I ...	415.00	
" " " 564	930	do.	Lot 5371 Sec. A, S. D. I ...	29.50	
" " " 516	930	do.	Lot 5069, S. D. I ...	247.00	
" " " 482	930	do.	Lot 6238 R. P., S. D. I ...	247.00	
" " " 626	930	do.	Lot 5360 Sec. A, S. D. I ...	59.00	
" " " 641	930	do.	Lot 6034, S. D. I ...	494.00	
" " " 650	930	do.	Lot 5079, " " " ...	59.00	
" " " 495	930	do.	Lot 5413 R. P., S. D. I ...	29.50	

8.—Conversions and Exchanges,—Continued.

Areas leased by Government.		Area in sq. ft.	Areas surrendered to and premium received by Government.	Amount of Premium.
Description of Property.				
New Kowloon,—Contd.				
New Kowloon Inland Lot 611	930	in exchange for do.	Lot 2078, S. D. IV	988.00
542	3,720			
"	930	do.	Lots 5142, 5263, 5264 Section A, 6471 s.s. I of Sec. A, S. D. I...	165.00
"	930	do.	Lot 5226, S. D. I	29.50
"	930	do.	Lot 5015, "	44.25
"	930	do.	Lot 5055, "	370.50
"	930	do.	Lot 5059, "	370.00
"	930	do.	Lot 5024, "	370.50
"	930	do.	Lot 5047, "	370.50
"	3,720	do.	N. K. I. L. 396 Sec. A... ..	...
"	930	do.	Lot 5163, S. D. I	29.50
"	930	do.	Lot 5026, S. D. I	247.00
"	2,790	do.	Lots 5358 & 5359, S. D. I	88.50
"	1,860	do.	Lot 5315 Secs. A & B, S. D. I	58.50
"	930	do.	Lot 6410, S. D. I	494.00

The D.O./N. arranged the exchanges and conversions of 14 Lots and 7 Lots were likewise dealt with by the D.O./S., particulars of which will be found in the Land Officer's report.

9. Grants on Nominal Terms.—In Hongkong, an area of 31,650 sq. ft., known as Inland Lot 2459, was granted without premium for a period of 75 years renewable, to the Chinese Anglican Church Body of Hongkong for the purpose of erecting a girls' school together with staff quarters.

An area of 73,600 sq. ft., known as Inland Lot 2546, was granted without premium as an extension to Inland Lot 366 for a period of 75 years renewable, to the Ching Siong Land Investment Co. for the purpose of erecting School Buildings with playground. This Company is developing large areas at North Point known as Marine Lots 430 & 431.

10. Grants on Forty Years Leases.—During the year, terms were arranged for the disposal of 3 lots in Hongkong with an area of about 76,760 sq. ft., eight lots in Kowloon with an area of about 174,582 sq. ft., and one lot in New Kowloon with an area of about 40,500 sq. ft.

11. Grants on Short Leases.—Ten New Kowloon Dairy Farm Lots containing an area of about 297,810 sq. ft. were granted for a period of ten years.

Eighteen Lots were granted on five years, and 101 lots on yearly, leases by the District Officer (North).

12. Permits to occupy land for short periods &c.—These were of a very miscellaneous character and too numerous to admit of individual mention; most of them were for small areas on half-yearly permits.

The number of permits issued during the year in Hongkong, Kowloon, and New Kowloon was about 1,700, and the fees realized approximately \$111,000.00.

13. Extension of short period Leases.—There was no extension of short period leases in Hongkong, Kowloon, New Kowloon and the New Territories during the year.

14. Prospecting and Mining Licences.—Four Prospecting and three Mining Licences were issued for areas in the New Territories.

15. Lease Plans.—Plans and particulars, in duplicate, of 102 lots were prepared and forwarded to the Land Officer in connection with the issue of leases.

16. Boundary Stones.—Boundary Stones were fixed to 55 lots in Hongkong, 50 in Kowloon, and 87 in New Kowloon and the New Territories.

17. Naval and Military Lands.—The question of the proposed resumption of Military Lands in Hongkong and Kowloon, which was submitted to arbitration, is still under consideration.

There is nothing to report with regard to Naval Lands.

18. Piers.—In Hongkong, an extension was granted to Permanent Pier No. 8 opposite Marine Lots 297 and 305. The Premium paid was \$15,250.00 (area 1,525 square feet).

Permission was given to erect Permanent Pier No. 39 opposite Marine Lot 396. The premium paid was \$3,596.00 (area 1,798 sq. ft.).

In Kowloon, permission was given to erect Permanent Pier No. 33 without premium (area 950 square feet).

19. Cemeteries.—There is nothing to report under this heading.

20. Re-entries.—6 Lots in Hongkong, and 85 Lots in the Northern and 142 Lots in the Southern Districts of the New Territories were re-entered during the year.

21. Surveys.—Although applications for purchase of land were not so many as during the previous year, the number was still very great involving many surveys for sale plans, etc. Development was commenced of the numerous lots sold in 1923, and the survey staff was constantly engaged in setting out building areas. More than 57 of such areas were defined in Hongkong, and 190 in Kowloon and New Kowloon. In addition, many lots on the reclaimed areas at Mongkok and Taikoktsui were also set out.

Numerous surveys were also made for lease and other plans required by the Land Officer.

The following were some of the more important and extensive surveys made :—

	Approximate Area.
An area at Laichikok surveyed and contoured	378 acres.
An area at King's Park surveyed and contoured.....	22 „

A contoured survey of the new road and land adjoining it between Wongneichong Gap and Repulse Bay	60 acres.
An area between Aberdeen and Little Hongkong	172 „
Various areas at Pokfulam for re-adjustment of the Dairy Farm Co.'s holdings	245 „
An area on the slopes of Jardine's Look Out defined	82 „
A traverse of approximately 15 miles between Castle Peak and Laichikok was run and checked and permanent traverse marks fixed...	—

22. Ordinance Survey.—Steady progress has been made with the survey which has now reached the central part of the City. About 370 acres have been surveyed and plotted, and 4½ miles of traverse run and permanent traverse marks fixed.

The City boundary, which for a considerable distance on the Southern side follows the 700 ft. contour, has been defined from a point on the sea-shore at Kennedy Town as far Eastward as Magazine Gap Road, and boundary stones fixed at suitable points.

Works under the Buildings Ordinance.

23. The outstanding feature of the year's work under the Buildings Ordinance is the large number of new houses which were completed.

With regard to the reconstruction of houses, the Amendment to the Rents Restriction Ordinance, which came into force in the early part of the year, was responsible for a marked decrease in the number of houses in course of reconstruction at the end of the year. The Buildings Ordinance Office was, however, involved in a very considerable amount of additional work as a result of this amendment. The numerous applications for permission to reconstruct property, and the appeals arising therefrom, entailed a considerable amount of time and labour. The number of Certificates (B. O. O. Form 91) granted throughout the year was 270, the number granted from the period 7th March (when the amendment came into force) to 31st December being 50. The number of applications dealt with was 564, and there were 156 appeals. These together necessitated 2,080 inspections by officers of the Buildings Ordinance Office. The total number of houses affected, both in Hongkong and Kowloon, was 1,924.

The number of plans submitted during 1924 shows a decrease in the number of proposed new houses, and it may, therefore, be anticipated that, at the end of 1925, there will be a fall in the number of new buildings completed.

24. Plans.—The following is a tabulated statement showing the number of Buildings, etc., for which plans were deposited during the year, the figures for 1923 being given in a parallel column for purposes of comparison :—

Buildings.	1923.	1924.	Increase.	Decrease.
European houses,	506	413	...	93
Chinese houses,	3,395	2,497	...	898
Buildings and Structures other than the above,	245	251	6	...
Alterations and additions to exist- ing buildings,	2,545	2,074	...	471
Verandahs,	1,771	1,748	...	23
Balconies,	748	396	...	352
Sunshades,	88	23	...	65
Areas, .....	...	1	1	...
Piers,	24	5	...	19
Wells	55	88	33	...
Total,	9,377	7,496	40	1,921

This shows a net decrease of 1,881 or 20 per cent.

The number of plans deposited during the year was 3,111 as compared with 3,459 for 1923, a decrease of 348 or 10 per cent.

The number of plans approved during the year was 4,258 as compared with 3,108 in 1923 an increase of 1,150 or 28 per cent.

25. Certificates.—The following certificates for new buildings were issued :—

585, under Section 204 of Ordinance 1 of 1903, for 1,955 domestic buildings, of which 200 were European and 1,755 Chinese dwellings.

94 for 109 non-domestic buildings.

These figures show an increase of 970 in the case of "Domestic" and an increase of 58 in the number of "Non-Domestic" buildings.

26. *Notices and Permits.*—The following is a tabulated statement of the notices served, and permits issued, during the year, the figures for 1923 being given in a parallel column for purposes of comparison :—

	1923.	1924.	Increase.	Decrease.
Dangerous Structure Notices,	219	274	55	...
Miscellaneous Notices,	175	458	283	...
Private Street Improvement Notices, &c. including foot paths under verandahs and balconies,	305	70	...	235
Notices in regard to Nuisances reported by Officers of the Sanitary Department,	1,051	1,537	486	...
Notices in regard to Signboards,	34	...	...	34
New Permits issued,	1,656	2,113	457	...
Permits renewed,	1,985	1,689	...	296
Certificates issued under the Rents Restriction Ordinance, in regard to new buildings,	184	270	86	...
Fees charged for issue of new permits,	\$ 166	\$ 190	\$ 24	...
Fees charged for issue of plans for Theatrical sheds,	\$ 25	\$ 20	...	\$ 5
Fees charged for issue of permits for stalls for sale of Joss Sticks,	\$ 20	\$ 20	...	...
Charges made for permission to obtain sand and stone from Crown Land,	\$ 1,340	\$ 1,680	\$ 340	...
Charges made for damage to trees,	\$ 504	\$ 625	\$ 121	...
Fees charged for display of advertisement on hoardings,	\$ 700	\$ 250	...	\$ 450
Miscellaneous fees charged for duplicate acknowledgments and certificates, and sales of copies of the P. H. & B. O., &c....	\$ 14	\$ 52	\$ 38	...

The following is a tabulated statement of cases in which legal proceedings were taken with regard to failure to obtain permits, the number of convictions obtained, and the amount of fines imposed :—

Nature of Offence.	No. of Cases.	No. of Convictions.	Amount of Fines.
Removal of stone, &c., from Crown Land or foreshore without permission,	16	9	\$ 320
Depositing materials on Crown Land without permission,	28	22	855
Erecting or maintaining matsheds without permission,	33	28	380

27. *Private Streets.*—Re-surfacing and other repairs, under the provisions of Section 186, were carried out by this Department at the cost of the frontagers in certain cases.

28. Improvements etc., of Private Streets.—In connection with improvements to private streets, and footways under verandahs, balconies, etc., apportionments were made in 198 cases, involving 398 separate accounts, which totalled \$61,595.86.

In addition to the above, numerous accounts were dealt with in connection with drainage work, shoring and other sums, which were recovered from owners of private properties or their contractors.

29. Improvements etc., of Public Streets.—The policy of requiring houses, when undergoing reconstruction, to be built at a higher level where necessary in order to provide for the future raising of certain low-lying areas in Hongkong and Kowloon has been continued. In some cases, arrangements were made allowing the ground floors to be retained at their former levels upon owners giving an undertaking to raise the levels of such floors when the raising of the street is carried out.

30. Footways.—Attention has been given to footways under balconies and verandahs, any necessary repairs being carried out by this Department at the cost of the owners of the property from which such verandahs and balconies project.

31. Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.—There is nothing serious to report under this heading. Certain collapses and landslips are reported upon under paragraphs 39, 40 and 61.

A statement of landslips affecting land other than private lots, will be found under the heading “Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages” paragraphs 40 and 61.

32. Prosecutions.—The following is a tabulated statement of the cases in which legal proceedings were taken with regard to illegal works, and other nuisances, the number of convictions obtained, and the amount of fines imposed :—

Nature of Offence.	No. of Cases.	No. of Convictions.	Amount of Fines.
			\$
Defective Building Works,	25	23	4,725.00
Illegal works (<i>i.e.</i> , divergence from approved plans, non-submission of plans before commencing building operations, construction of illegal works, and occupation of matsheds, &c., without permission),	66	52	2,132.00
Other cases (<i>i.e.</i> , non-compliance with notices issued under the Public Health & Buildings Ordinance),	188	142	6,227.00

33. Tests of Mortar.—During the year samples were taken from time to time and tests carried out, but owing to the large amount of work being undertaken samples have not been tested as regularly as desired.

34. Testing Drains.—Fees amounting to \$370 were collected on account of additional inspections necessitated by carelessness or negligence on the part of the parties concerned in the carrying out of the work.

560 drainage inspections were made during the year.

35. Modifications.—Written modifications of the various sections of the Ordinance were granted in 261 cases under the powers conferred by Section 264b. This shows a decrease of 89 as compared with 1923.

36. Applications and Appeals to the Governor-in-Council under Sec. 265.—Applications for modifications of the various sections of the Ordinance were made to the Governor-in-Council in 19 cases, 16 of which were granted (5 conditionally), the others being refused.

There were three appeals to the Governor-in-Council, one of which was granted, and the remainder refused.

37. Cemeteries.—Work in connection with forming new terraces etc., to afford additional grave spaces was carried out in the following cemeteries:—

Kai Lung Wan,	Sai Yu Shek,
Chai Wan,	Kowloon Central Cemeteries.
Shum Wan,	

38. Fires.—Several fires occurred during the year, of which the more serious ones are given below:—

January	13A & 13B, Hill Road—premises gutted—no casualties.
February	289-299, Canton Road—Nos. 291/297 gutted—no casualties.
March	166, Portland Street—outbreak occurred on the ground floor, which was used as a Cracker Factory. Floors badly damaged but no casualties.
July	191, Queen's Road, West—no casualties. 36, Sai Street—no casualties.
August	8, Waterloo Road—no casualties.
October	24 & 26, Wu Pee Road—No. 24 gutted—no casualties. 147, Connaught Road, Central—roof and all floors collapsed. No casualties.

- 77, Wellington Street—floors badly gutted and roof collapsed. No casualties.
 November 23, Graham Street—no casualties.
 17, Wang Kai, Kowloon City—no casualties.
 17 & 19, Catchick Street—no casualties.

39. Collapses.—There were no collapses of any magnitude. Several minor accidents occurred, generally due to carelessness on the part of contractors or their foremen, with heavy rains as a contributory cause.

In June, there were 8 collapses, 3 of which affected dwelling houses, but there was only one casualty.

In July, there were 5 collapses, 3 of which affected domestic buildings, but caused no casualties.

In August, there was 1 collapse without casualty.

In December, a curious accident occurred at Jardine's Hill (I.Ls. 29 & 457), where a wall, which was in course of erection, collapsed, causing the death of two Chinese, and injuries to two others, owing entirely to insufficient supervision on the part of the owner or his employees.

40. Landslips.—Three landslips occurred during the month of June, one at the rear of I.L. 1211, Star Street, causing the death of a coolie. A cutting and retaining wall, which fell at the mouth of No. 20, Macdonnell Road, caused some damage to the building, but no casualties.

A few other slips occurred, but occasioned no serious damage or casualties.

41. Reclamations.—The following is a statement of the private reclamations which were in progress or completed during the year:—

	<i>Area in sq. ft.</i>
Q.B.M.L. 1, (additions to Quarry Bay (in progress)	33,600
M.Ls. 430 & 431, North Point (in progress) ...	833,975
N.K.I.Ls. 190 & 191, Laichikok (completed)...	618,000
N.K.M.L. 8, Laichikok (practically completed).	514,150
N.K.M.Ls. 6 & 7, Laichikok, (in progress).....	} 374,400
	} 630,000

In connection with the reclaiming of about 215 acres of foreshore and sea-bed at the head of Kowloon Bay, referred to in previous years' reports, the work carried out during the year was principally in the nature of finishing off the area already reclaimed, the erection of sea-walls, laying of stormwater drainage, and construction of R. C. C. bridges over nullahs, etc.

42. Principal Works of a Private Nature.—The following blocks of business premises etc., in the City were completed or in progress during the year :—

The Asiatic Petroleum Co.'s building, on I.L. 619, Queen's Road, Central, was completed.

Queen's Theatre on I.L. 2316, Queen's Road, Central, was completed.

China Building on I.L. 2317 & 2318, Queen's Road, Central, was completed.

Office Block on I.L. 2319, Pedder Street, was completed.

New Offices for the P. & O. Co. on M.L. 366, Des Vœux Road, Central, were completed.

Bank of Canton, on M.L. 102, section A, Des Vœux Road, Central, was completed.

A new Bank on I.L. 160, Nos. 122-126, Queen's Road, Central, was completed.

Bank and Office premises on I.L. 1491, section F, s.s. 1, and R.P., Nos. 186 & 188, Des Vœux Road, Central, were completed.

A new Bank on I.L.'s 1556 & 1557, Nos. 244 & 246, Des Vœux Road, Central, was completed.

The Carlton Hotel on I.L. 644, Ice House Street, was nearing completion, and partly occupied.

New Offices for the South China Morning Post, on I.L. 80, Wyndham Street, were in course of erection.

An office block on I.L. 669, No. 7, Duddell Street, was in course of erection.

An office block on M.L. 102, R.P., Queen's Road, Central, was in course of erection.

An office block on I.Ls. 1871 R.P., and 1872 R.P., Nos. 236 and 238, Des Vœux Road, Central, was in course of erection.

An office block on M.L. 56, Sec. B., R.P., Nos. 144-150, Des Vœux Road, Central, was in course of erection.

Exchange Building on M.L. 7, Des Vœux Road, Central, foundation work was in progress.

The following is a list of principal works completed or in progress in other parts of the City and outlying districts :—

A Cinematograph Theatre on S.I.L. 484, Shaukiwan Road, was completed.

A Benzine Storage Tank etc. on M.L. 277, North Point, was completed.

A 500-ton Tank for Fuel Oil on I.L. 2273, North Point, was completed.

An Ice Plant etc. on I.L. 748, Great George Street, was completed.

92 Chinese houses on M.L. 365 and I.Ls. 29 and 457, Praya East, Percival Street, Leighton Hill Road, and a new street, were in course of erection.

51 Chinese houses on M.L. 269 and I.L. 746, Praya East, and Canal Road, East, were in course of erection.

40 Chinese houses on M.L. 201 and 202A, Praya East, etc., were in course of erection.

30 Chinese houses on I.L. 1210, Star Street, were in course of erection.

26 Chinese houses on M.L. 202, Praya East, etc. were in course of erection.

A Factory on I.L. 438, Wanchai Road, was in course of erection.

A Godown on M.L. 293, Watson Road, was in course of erection.

The New Roman Catholic Church and Presbytery on I.L. 2364, Broadwood Road, were in course of erection ; the former was nearing completion.

A wharf opposite M.L. 396, Watson Road, was under construction.

An 8,000-ton Tank for storing Fuel Oil, on I.L. 2273, North Point, was under construction.

A Chinese Theatre on I.L. 1452, Percival Street, was in course of erection.

At Q.B.M.L. No. 1, Quarry Bay, the building of the under-mentioned was in progress:—

Godown (in two sections),
Rebuilding of the main Power House,
Reinforced C. C. Coal Silo,
Godown for storage of Raw Sugar.

A Cinematograph Theatre on I.L. 816, Sec : A, Water Street, was completed.

A Chinese Bank Building on M.L. 56, Sec : A, etc., Nos. 6 and 8, Wing Kut Street, was completed.

26 Chinese houses on I.L. 816, Second and Third Streets, were completed.

A Chinese Restaurant on I.L. 672, Nos. 564-570, Queen's Road, West, was completed.

A Chinese Restaurant on M.L. 183, Queen's Road, West, and Hill Road, was completed.

A Chinese Restaurant on M.L. 180, R.P., Nos. 433-445, Queen's Road, West, was completed.

A Chinese Restaurant on M.L. 179, R.P., Nos. 447-459, Queen's Road, West, was completed.

26 Chinese houses on I.L. 673, R.P., and 674, R.P., Queen's Road, West, and a new Street, were in course of construction.

28 Chinese houses on I.L. 679, Secs. A, B, C, D and R.P., Third Street, Fuk Luk Lane, and Western Street, were in course of erection.

37 Chinese houses, on I.L. 905, Kennedy Town, were in course of erection.

About 120 Chinese houses on M.L. 239 and I.L. 1355, Kennedy Town, were in course of erection.

A Church on I.L. 590, Bonham Road, was in course of erection.

A Chinese Restaurant on I.L. 834, Sec. B, s.s. 2, Queen's Road, West, was in course of erection.

The Empress Hotel on M.L. 235, Des Vœux Road, Central, Connaught Road, Central, and Morrison Street, was in course of erection.

Several new sites on the new road above Conduit Road were being developed.

A Chinese Wine Factory on A.I.L. 72, Aberdeen, was completed.

The Club House at Shek O was completed.

A commencement was made with the 24 European Flats on R.B.L. 78, near the Peak Hotel, but work was suspended from the beginning of October to the end of the year.

The levelling of the site for the Repulse Bay Hotel Extension was completed and building work commenced.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Bungalow Scheme at Repulse Bay was commenced, foundations for six bungalows being laid.

The site for the War Memorial Nursing Home was prepared.

The following is a list of principal works completed or in progress in the Kowloon Peninsula :—

A cracker factory on K.I.L. 1404, Mataukok, was completed. In last year's report, this building was stated to be on K.I.L. 1405. It should have read K.I.L. 1404.

3 Kerosene Tanks, Nos. 13, 14 and 21 on N. K. I. Ls. 190 and 191, Laichikok, were completed.

A knitting factory on K.I.L. 1569, section D, Shantung Street, was completed.

43 Chinese houses on K.M.L. 49, section C, Canton Road, were completed.

53 Chinese houses on K.M.L. 49, section D, Canton Road, were completed.

49 Chinese houses on K.M.L. 50, Canton Road, were completed.

28 Chinese houses on K.I.Ls. 444 R.P., section B, and 445, Shanghai and Reclamation Streets, were completed.

A factory on K.I.L. 881, Portland Street, was completed.

Work on a block of 45 Chinese houses on K.I.Ls. 359 R.P., and 421 section C, Temple and Woosung Streets, was commenced, 9 of which being completed before the end of the year.

A saw-mill and wood-working shop on N.K.I.L. 329, Hai Tan Street, Shamshuipo, was completed.

A pier opposite N.K.M.L. 7 for The Standard Oil Co. was completed.

An extension to the Kwong Wah Hospital on K.I.L. 1213, Pitt Street, was in progress.

The new European Y.M.C.A. Building on K.I.L. 1625, Salisbury Road, was well advanced.

Work on the foundations for the Peninsula Hotel on K.I.L. 1461, Salisbury Road, was still in progress.

A factory on K.I.L. 1569, section A, Shantung Street, was in course of erection.

A factory on K.I.L. 1569, section B, Shantung Street, was in course of erection.

A Cinematograph Theatre on N.K.I.L. 239, section A, Kai Yan Road, was in course of erection.

8 European houses for the staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company were completed, and work was commenced on the erection of a new foundry of the Co. Good progress was made with the excavations for the new dock, and the levelling of sites for further staff quarters, etc.

Spinning Houses, Rope and Hemp Godowns, etc., on K.I.L. 1094, Mataukok, were in course of erection.

A large Tannery on K.I.L. 1445, Mataukok, was practically completed.

The erection of further houses on the Kaulungtung Estate was commenced.

Levelling of a large area, K.I.L. 1507, as an extension to the Garden City at Homuntin was almost completed.

26 Chinese houses on K.M.L. 84, section C and R.P., Canton Road, were in course of erection.

33 Chinese houses on K.M.L. 43, Canton Road, and Shantung Street, were in course of erection.

38 Chinese houses on K.I.Ls. 1636 and 1637, Shamshuipo, were in course of erection.

38 Chinese houses on N.K.I.L. 435 R.P., Cheung Sha Wan, were in course of erection.

28 Chinese houses on K.I.Ls. 1222, 1597, 1599, 1600, 1609, 1620 and 1621, Mongkok and Shamshupo, were in course of erection.

A Club House and Quarters at the Cosmopolitan Dock, K.M.L. 28, Taikoktsui, were in course of erection.

Various Godowns and other non-domestic buildings in Hongkong and Kowloon were in course of erection, several being completed during the year, and a large number of garages was erected throughout the Colony.

43. Scavenging Lanes.—The following table shows the number and aggregate areas of scavenging lanes provided under sections 179 and 180 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, No. 1 of 1903 :—

	Provided on payment of compensation.	Provided by owners, but not surrendered to Government.	To be provided by owners when an opportunity of gaining access occurs.	Provided by owners and surrendered to Government free of cost.
	A	B	C	D
	Sq. ft.	Sq. ft.	Sq. ft.	Sq. ft.
Hongkong ...	Nil	37,224.00	5,765.75	462.00
Kowloon.....	Nil	9,644.50	232.75	960.75
New Territories.....	Nil	7,450.00	Nil	2,930.00
	Nil	54,318.50	5,998.50	4,352.75

Grand Total (in sq. ft.)..... 64,669.75

Lanes formed :.....182.

44. Resumptions for Purposes of Street Widening, etc.—The scope of the work carried out in the sub-department known as the Resumptions Office, was defined in paragraph 43, page 33, of last year's report.

In addition to the valuations and preparation of terms for the resumptions given in schedule on pages 45 to 58, the following valuations were made :—

- (i) Valuations for the Estate Duty Commissioner—61 properties totalling \$4,016,257.

- (ii.) Valuations for the Treasury in connection with Government loans—8 properties totalling \$1,825,000.
- (iii.) Valuations for Contract Securities—5 properties totalling \$732,210.
- (iv.) Special valuations required by Government of sundry properties, including Rennies Mills at Junk Bay, the Aberdeen Paper Mills, and the Nan Yang Brothers Tobacco Company's Works at Wanchai—11 properties totalling \$2,778,315.
- (v.) Valuations for resumptions required in connection with the proposed new lay-outs and road improvements not included in schedule on pages 56 and 59 including East Point Lay-out and certain properties affected by the Town Planning Scheme in Kowloon—55 properties totalling \$4,292,114.
- (vi.) Schedules of valuations for the resumption of the properties in the following villages:—

<i>Hongkong</i>	{	Tsat Tsz Mui, ...	\$ 15,354.00
		Pokfulam,	26,405.00
		To Kwa Wan,...	101,364.04
		Hok Ün (por- tions of)	23,505.63
		Matauchung, ...	43,318.50
<i>Kowloon and New Territories</i>	{	Mataukok,	12,261.50
		San Shan,	20,428.00
		Shek Shan,	25,509.00
		Kaulungtsai, ...	34,766.00
		Shamshuipo, (portion of)...	49,331.00
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			\$352,242.67

- (vii.) Valuations of the structures only on numerous lots affected by the Town Planning Scheme for Kowloon and the New Territories. In these cases areas on the new lay-out are granted in exchange for the old lots, and cash payments made in compensation for the buildings. Particulars of the exchanges effected will be found in the table of Conversions and Exchanges on pages 12 to 29.

Excluding the schedules of valuations for villages referred to above, the total number of properties valued for all purposes during the year was 180 aggregating \$15,205,929.

In the case of all properties rebuilt in streets affected by widening schemes, the new building lines were set out and checked.

Resumptions in connection with Street Widening and Improvement Schemes, &c.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong.					
(a.) <i>Street Widening.</i>					
Wanchai Road, Widening to 42 feet.	Portions required for road widening at :—				
(Vote P. W. E. 31 (f).)	Nos. 51, 53, 55 & 57, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 301)	853.56	218.39	4.00	
	Nos. 47 & 49, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 301)	607.84	151.96	4.00	
	Nos. 29 & 31, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 377)	—	450.00	—	This was a similar arrangement to the one below, but no contribution was made towards cost of setting back the buildings, as the owner wished to rebuild.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong,—Continued.					
Vote P.W.E. 50,—Compensation & Resumptions.	Nos. 17 & 19, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 374)	2,000.00	426.50	—	The payment was made towards the cost of setting back the buildings. An area of Crown Land at the rear was granted in exchange for the area required for road widening. Payment at the rate of \$4.00 per sq. ft. is to be made on the difference (if any) in areas exchanged when new lease is issued.
	Nos. 13 & 15, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 373)	500.00	448.50	—	Do.
Queen's Road, East, Widening to 60 feet.	Portions required for road widening at:—				
(Vote P.W.E. 31 (g).)	Nos. 53 & 55, Queen's Road, East, (I.L. 651) s.s. 1 & R.P. of S.A.	8,361.10	836.11	10.00	
	No. 194, Queen's Road, East,				
	No. 196, Do.				
	No. 198, Do.				
	No. 200, Do.				
	No. 202, Do.				
	No. 204, Do.				
	No. 206, Do.				
	M.L. 42 & M.L. 43 S.A.	2,082.34	1,016.17	2.00	

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$.	Remarks.
<p>Hongkong, —Continued. Queen's Road, East, Widening to 60 feet. (Vote P.W.E. 31 (q).)</p>	<p>Terms agreed for the surrender of areas required for road widening when rebuilding completed at:—</p>				
	No. 45, Queen's Road, East,				
	No. 47, Do.				
	No. 49, Do.				
	No. 55A, Do.				
	No. 57, Do.				
	No. 59, Do.				
	No. 61, Do.				
	No. 197, Do.				
	No. 252, Do.				
	No. 254, Do.				
	No. 256, Do.				

Particulars will be supplied on completion of surrender.

Resumptions in connection with Street Widening and Improvement Schemes, &c.,—Continued.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong,—Continued.					
Other Street Widening & Improvement Schemes debited to Vote P.W.E. 50,—Compensation and Resumptions.	Des Vœux Road, Central, Widening.	Nil	49.25	Nil	Free surrender obtained in return for grant of modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance and permission to erect verandahs over Crown Land.
	Portions required for road widening at:— Nos. 139 & 141, Des Vœux Road, Central, (M.L. 395)	2,397.84	299.73	8.00	Surrender at reduced rate obtained in return for grant of modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance.
	No. 6, Des Vœux Road, Central, (M.L. 102 S.A.).	Nil	11.16	Nil	Free surrender obtained in return for grant of modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance and permission to erect verandahs over Crown Land.
	Nos. 88-104, Des Vœux Road, Central, (M.L. 18 S.B. s.s. 2, 4, 5, 6 & 7).	Nil	136.43	Nil	Do.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong,—Continued.					
Des Vœux Road, Central, Widening.—(contd.)	Nos. 124-132, Des Vœux Road, Central, (I.L.s. 2000 & 2020).	Nil	54.87	Nil	Free surrender obtained in return for grant of modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance and permission to re-erect verandahs over Crown Land.
	Nos. 144-150, Des Vœux Road, Central, (M.L. 56 S.B., R.P.)	Nil	67.75	Nil	Do.
	Nos. 186 & 188, Des Vœux Road, Central, (I.L. 1491 S.F. s.s. 1 R.P.)	Nil	49.51	Nil	Do.
	Nos. 236 & 238, Des Vœux Road, Central, (I.L. 1872 R.P. & I.L. 1871 R.P.)	Nil	42.63	Nil	Do.
	Nos. 266 & 268, Des Vœux Road, Central, (I.L. 1811 & I.L. 1812 S.B.)	Nil	42.12	Nil	Do.
	No. 292, Des Vœux Road, Central, (I.L. 1824).	Nil	21.00	Nil	Do.
	No. 302, Des Vœux Road, Central, (I.L. 1769)	Nil	22.06	Nil	Do.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong,—Continued.					
Queen's Road, Central, Widening.	Portions required for road widening at:—				
	Nos. 24 & 32, Queen's Road, Central, New A.P.C. Building—(I.L. 618 S.A.)	20,785.00	829.40	25.00	Surrender obtained at reduced rate in return for grant of a modification of Section 188 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance with regard to the height of the new building.
	Nos. 118 & 120, Queen's Road, Central, (I.L. 43 S.A. R.P.)	4,000.00	97.66	68.85	The surrender of 39.56 sq. ft. of this area was obtained free in return for permission to erect verandahs over Crown Land.
	Nos. 122-126, Queen's Road, Central, (I.L. 160).	Nil	181.50	Nil	Free surrender obtained in return for grant of modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, and permission to re-erect verandahs over Crown Land.
	No. 146, Queen's Road, Central, (I.L. 164 S. A. s.s. 1).	Nil	72.73	Nil	Do.
	No. 145, Queen's Road, Central, (M.L. 55 S. 51).	81.60	10.20	8.00	Surrender obtained at reduced rate in return for modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance and permission to erect verandahs.

Resumptions in connection with Street Widening and Improvement Schemes, &c.,—Continued.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong,—Continued.					
Queen's Road, Central, Widening.—(contd.)	No. 147, Queen's Road, Central, (M.L. 55 S. 52).	92.70	11.59	8.00	Surrender obtained at reduced rate in return for modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance and permission to erect verandahs.
Queen's Road, West, Widening.	Portions required for road widening at:— No. 384, Queen's Road, West, (I.L. 801 S.A.)	Nil	423.84	Nil	Free surrender obtained in return for permission to erect verandahs over Crown Land.
	Arrangements made for the ground floors of verandahs erected on private land to be left open for the purpose of a public foot-path at:— No. 592, Queen's Road West. No. 594, Do. No. 596, Do. No. 602, Do. No. 604, Do.				
	In the section of this road, East of Western Street, where the widening only involves setting back a few inches in order to secure a uniform width of 50 feet, arrangements were made for the free surrender of the very small areas required in the case of several properties which were re-built; particulars of these cases are not included in this schedule.				

Resumptions in connection with Street Widening and Improvement Schemes, &c.,—Continued.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$.	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$.	Remarks.
Hongkong, —Continued.					
Bonham Road, Widening.	Portions required for road widening at:— Nos. 2, 4 & 6, Bonham Road, (I.L. 590)	13,440	3,360	4.00	
Caine Road, Widening	Portions required for road widening at:— No. 25, Caine Road, (I.L. 126).	Nil	246	Nil	Free surrender in return for grant of modification of Public Health and Buildings Ordinance.
	Terms agreed for the surrender of the areas required when rebuilding completed at:— 13, Caine Road. 15, Do. 47, Do. 8, Do. 46, Do.				Particulars will be supplied on completion of surrender.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong, —Continued.					
Catchick Street, Widening.	Nos. 11-28, Catchick Street, (M.L. 242 & M.L. 243 S.A. R.P.)	19,000.00	820.00	23.17	The amount paid included compensation for partially erected new buildings.
Morrison Hill Road, and Wanchai Road, Improvement.	The following properties were resumed in connection with this scheme:—				
	No. 4, Morrison Hill Road, (I.L. 1781)	42,481.00	1,984.00	21.41	} New Buildings in course of erection at date of resumption.
	Nos. 6-12, Morrison Hill Road, (I.L. 1363)	140,000.00	4,022.00	34.81	
	Nos. 22-48, Morrison Hill Road, (I.L.s. 1361, 1360, 1359 & 1357)	400,000.00	14,069.00	28.43	} Plans passed and contract let for erection of new buildings at date of resumption.
	Nos. 50 & 52, Morrison Hill Road, (I.L. 1483 S.A. s.s.1 & R.P.)	Nil	2,230.00	Nil	} Exchanges in lieu of cash compensation are being arranged in these cases.
	No. 54, Morrison Hill Road, (I.L. 1483 S.B.)	Nil	1,104.00	Nil	
	No. 56, Morrison Hill Road, (I.L. 1483 R.P.)	Nil	1,152	Nil	
	Nos. 161, & 163, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 1527).	53,786.00	3,170.00	16.97	

Resumptions in connection with Street Widening and Improvement Schemes, &c.,—Continued.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong,—Continued.					
Morrison Hill Road, and Wanchai Road, Improvement,— (contd.)	No. 163A, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 1551 R.P.)	20,000.00	962.00	20.71	
	No. 165, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 1551 S. B.)	27,000.00	1,666.00	16.21	
	No. 167, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 1551 S. A.)	32,000.00	2,086.00	15.34	
	No. 169, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 1552.)	24,000.00	1,592.00	15.08	
	Nos. 171 & 173, Wanchai Road, (I.Ls. 1763 & 1764.)	55,620.00	3,282.00	16.95	
	No. 175, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 1765.)	30,000.00	1,798.00	16.69	
	No. 177, Wanchai Road, (I.L. 1766.)	31,000.00	1,808.00	17.14	
	I.L. 1416	19,674	12,087.00	2.00	For 2,250 sq. ft. of the land resumed an equal area of Crown Land was granted in exchange making the area on which compensation was paid 9,837 sq. ft.
(b.) New Roads.					
Resumptions required in connection with the construction of new road and debited to Vote P.W.E. 50,—Compensation and Resumptions.					
Proposed new road connecting Bowen Road with Garden Road.					

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
<p>Hongkong,—Continued.</p> <p>(c.) <i>Development Schemes.</i></p> <p>Resumption required in connection with the development of village areas and debited to Vote P.W.E. 50,—Compensation and Resumptions:—</p>	Development of Shaukiwan District.	100.00	—	—	This lot was an expired 21 years' lease: compensation was paid as an "act of grace" on demolition of the structure.
Development of Wongnei-chong Valley.	S.I.L. 198	1,238.00	22,922.00	0.054	This amount was awarded at Arbitration.
	F.L. 43, S.A.	1,299.64	22,922.00	0.057	Do.
	F.L. 43, S.B.	1,299.64	22,922.00	0.057	Do.
	F.L. 43, R.P.	24,007.11	14,988.00	1.60	Do.
(d.) Resumptions for sundry purposes debited to Vote P.W.E. 50,—Compensation and Resumptions.	Portion of G.L. 44 required for new Peak Motor Garage.	58.50	1,170.00	0.05	Compensation for a Villa residence situated on the lot is included.

Resumptions in connection with Street Widening and Improvement Schemes, &c.,—Continued.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
Hongkong,—Continued. (d.) Resumptions for sundry purposes debited to Vote P.W.E. 50,—Compensation and Resumptions.—(contd.)	I.L. 637, site for new market, Saiyngpun.	425,875.41	15,750.00	27.04	
	1-10, Queen's Garden. (I.L. 963.)	377,799.86	94,375.00	4.00	
(e.) Compensation paid on refusal to allow rebuilding of riding floors over private streets under Section 185 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, debited to Vote P.W.E. 50,—Compensation and Resumptions.	Bungalow on I.L. 1317, Tsat Tsz Mui, required for extension to Government Quarry	16,000.00	5,527.00	2.89	
	Riding floors demolished at:— No. 14, Ko Shing Street, (over Tsung Sau Lane, East.)	10,000.00	—	—	—
	No. 162, Des Vœux Road, West, (over Sai Woo Lane.)	10,500.00	—	—	—
	No. 41, Third Street. (over Un Fuk Lane.)	1,500.00	—	—	Do.
	No. 34, Third Street. (over Leung I Fong) I.L. 685, S.A. s.s. 2 S.A. & s.s. 3 S.A.	2,008.95	558.84	3.60	Do.

The amount paid was for the demolition of the structure only; no land was resumed.

Resumptions.

In this case surrender was taken of the land forming the site of the riding floor and a narrow strip of land adjoining.

Resumptions in connection with Street Widening and Improvement Schemes, &c.,—Continued.

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
<p>Hongkong,—Continued. (f.) Scavenging Lanes resumed debited to Vote P.W.E. 50,-Compensation and Resumptions.</p>	<p>Portion of No. 76, Bonham Strand, on I.L. 1164, S.A.</p>	<p>8,640.00</p>	<p>105.75</p>	<p>81.70</p>	<p>This area was resumed in order to provide an outlet to the new scavenging lane behind Nos. 18-24, Des Vœux Road, West, the owners of which contributed half the cost of the resumption in 1923.</p>
<p>Kowloon. (a.) <i>Street Widening</i>s. Debited to Vote P.W.E. 104,-Compensation and Resumptions.</p>	<p>The areas required for the various street widening schemes in operation in Kowloon were obtained by granting areas of Crown Land in exchange therefor, either at the rear of the properties or elsewhere in the vicinity. Such exchanges were arranged in all cases of rebuilding in streets affected by widening schemes: particulars of exchanges effected will be found on pages 14 to 21.</p>				
<p>(b.) <i>New Streets</i>. Do.</p>	<p>Land required for new 75-foot harbour road through K.M.L. 49</p>	<p>161,700.00</p>	<p>23,100.00</p>	<p>7.00</p>	
<p>(c.) Development under the Town Planning Scheme, debited to Vote P.W.E. 104,-Compensation and Resumptions.</p>	<p>To Kwa Wan Lot 44</p>	<p>473.97</p>	<p>510</p>	<p>0.93</p>	<p>In connection with the development of Kowloon under the approved Town Planning Scheme, numerous resumptions were effected on the basis of exchanges. These exchanges are given in schedule on pages 14 to 21. Compensation amounting to \$78,457.84, covering 40 properties, was paid in respect of the structures on old lots resumed under this arrangement.</p>

Scheme & Vote debited.	Properties dealt with.	Amount paid. \$	Area in sq. ft.	Rate per sq. ft. \$	Remarks.
<p>New Territories.</p> <p><i>Southern District.</i></p> <p>Resumptions in connection with the approved Town Planning Scheme, debited to Vote P.W.E. 135, Compensation and Resumptions.</p>	<p>295 lots were resumed. Many of these resumptions were on the basis of exchanges which are given in schedule on pages 22 to 29 the remainder consisting mainly of agricultural lots being resumed outright.</p> <p>The total amount of the payments approved for these resumptions was \$112,761.23; this covered compensation for structures on the old lots and for deficit area in the case of the exchanges, and also for lots resumed outright.</p>				
<p>Resumptions debited to Vote P.W.E. 127.</p> <p>(a.) Kaulungtong Development Scheme, Resumptions.</p>	<p>137 lots were resumed; these were mainly agricultural, and the total payments approved for their resumption amounted to \$58,377.17.</p>				
<p><i>Northern District.</i></p> <p>Resumptions for sundry purposes debited to Vote P.W.E. 135, Compensation and Resumptions.</p>	<p>774 lots were resumed, of which 764 were in connection with the construction of the Fanling-Shataukok Road.</p> <p>The total cost of these resumptions was \$3,898.80.</p> <p>Particulars of the lots resumed in the New Territories will be found in the Land Officer's Report for 1924.</p>				

Street Widening Schemes Approved.

New plans were prepared and approved during the year for the widening of two streets, viz:—

Caine Road, from Arbuthnot Road to the bend opposite Houses Nos. 5 & 7.

Belchers Street, from Queen's Road, West, to Holland Street.

As in previous years, the general policy adopted in connection with the various street widening schemes has been to acquire the land required as and when rebuilding takes place, thus avoiding the payment of large sums for the demolition of structures in addition to the value of the land taken. Owing to the passing of the Rents Amendment Ordinance in the early part of the year, the amount of rebuilding considerably diminished, and the progress made with street widening was, in consequence, not as great as in previous years.

PUBLIC WORKS RECURRENT.**HONGKONG.**

46. *Maintenance of Buildings.*—The buildings generally were kept in their usual good state of repair, general repairs and renovation work being carried out in accordance with the recurring programme.

The expenditure amounted to \$228,541.31.

47. *Improvements to Buildings.*—The principal items of work carried out under this heading comprised the following:—

Mountain Lodge, renewal to several floors, and the ground floor rooms owing to the ravages of white ants; erection of a new porch and additional bed room, and other small alterations at 157, The Peak, in the occupation of the Captain Superintendent of Police; conversion of the Temple into Class-rooms at the Ellis Kadoorie School, Hospital Road; alterations to roofs, and general improvements, to the fire hearths at the Opium Factory, Kennedy Town; alterations and improvements to Native Quarters to provide accommodation for the Chief Chinese Assistant at the Bacteriological Institute; conversion of the Lavatory at the N. W. corner of the Law Courts into an office for the Land Officer, provision of new furniture for same, and fitting up of new Lavatory for native staff; alterations and extensions to Servants Quarters at the Aberdeen Police Station and Harbour Office to provide more accommodation for the Police; installation of Water Carriage System and fitting up modern sanitary fittings at "Lyemun", The Peak; erection of a boundary fence at the Homestead Flats and Houses; improvements to cooling room at the Kennedy Town

Slaughter Houses; construction of reinforced cement concrete water tank at the Quine Road Quarters for the Police (Western Block); alterations to supper room and ante-room at Government House; general repairs, alterations and improvements to offices previously occupied by Messrs. Little, Adams & Wood for use as such by the Architectural, Crown Lands and Survey and the Stores Sub-departments; renewal to 2 class-room floors on ground floor at the Sai-yingpun School; sundry improvements to Villa "Miramere", and connecting the drainage system with the main recently laid; erection of simplex partition at the Botanical and Forestry Department Offices; new doors to Garage and erection of Petrol Store at the Eastern District Sanitary Office; latrines on the first floor, Central Market; new entrance and reinforced cement concrete bridge to the lower building of the Peak Chair Coolie Quarters; alterations and improvements in connection with the housing of Chinese Revenue Officers at the Imports and Exports Office; and the construction of arms grille at the Pokfulam Police Station.

Many other improvements of a minor nature were effected to various Government Buildings.

The total expenditure under the vote amounted to \$71,649.52.

48. *Maintenance of Lighthouses.*—The Lighthouses were painted and colour-washed according to programme and otherwise maintained in good order at a cost of \$7,97.67.

49. *Maintenance of Road and Bridges in City.* } *Approximate*
Improvements to Roads and Bridges in City. }
mileage 61.—The road surfaces were maintained generally in a satisfactory condition. The asphaltum treatment of carriageways was still further extended throughout the City, and granite setts laid in the carriageways in those portions of the City where the increasing traffic rendered such paving desirable.

The following figures show the extent of the operations carried out at the Government Quarry during the year:—

Stone.—Various grades passed through crushers:—

A total quantity of 24,123 cubic yards, of which 5,266 cubic yards were made into tar macadam, 4,129 cubic yards into sand carpeting, and 14,728 cubic yards were delivered to various works as the material came from the crushers. Further, 49,236 granite paving slabs for use in footways; 749 reinforced concrete standards 3' 8" in height for railings and fencing; 63 reinforced concrete piles varying from 40 to 47 feet in length; and 402 flat roofing and 481 roll tiles for the Queen's Pier were made.

The following are particulars of the additional areas with improved surfacing done during the year:—

	<i>Sq yds.</i>
Substitution of granite setts for macadam or concrete	3,779
Substitution of 2" asphaltum laid on cement concrete bed for macadam.....	12,115
Tarring and sanding... ..	14,932
2" granolithic paving slabs on footways ...	10,303

50. Maintenance of Roads and Bridges outside City. }
Improvements to Roads and Bridges outside City }

Approximate mil one 72 — The roads generally were maintained in a satisfactory manner.

The erection of fence walls to protect dangerous bends on the road around the Island (referred to in paragraph 49 of last year's Report) was continued.

Stubbs Road, from the junction of Mount Kellet Road to the Peak Hotel, was surfaced with 8" macadam to admit of its use for motor traffic, and a turning place constructed South of the chair coolie shelter.

An improvement to Stubbs Road was commenced opposite I.L. 2314 by cutting away the bank and opening out a dangerous bend.

The following are particulars of the improved surfacing introduced on a number of roads in addition to those mentioned in previous reports:—

	<i>Sq. yds.</i>
Tarring and sanding	56,443
2" granolithic paving slabs laid on footways	3,123
Substitution of asphaltum sand carpeting laid on macadam for ordinary macadam tar painted.....	20,148

51. Maintenance of telephones including all cables:—The lines and instruments were maintained in good order. A new ten-pair submarine cable was laid between Hongkong and Kowloon, and the old ten-pair submarine cable between North Point and Hung-hom was picked up and relaid in the new Cable Reserve.

The submarine cable between Stonecutters Island and Taikok-tsui broke down, but it was taken up and repaired.

Two 25-pair telephone cables were laid from the Praya-wall at Star Ferry to Post Office basement.

One 25-pair telephone cable was laid from Leighton Hill to Wongneichong Police Station.

One 10-pair telephone cable was laid from the terminal box at the back of the Dairy Farm Building to Government House.

Twenty-one new telephones and seven extensions were installed in various Government Buildings.

A bell system of fifteen bells was installed between Central Telephone Exchange and the Police Quarters, Caine Road.

The submarine cable between Lan Tau Island and the Mainland was damaged and repaired.

The following new buildings were wired for lights and fans :—

Officers Quarters, Broadwood Road,
Officers Quarters, Elliot Filter Beds,
Government Garage at Wanchai, lights only,
Government Garage at Stubbs Road, lights only.

The following buildings were re-wired :—

No. 3, The Peak,
No. 44, The Peak.

A new underground electric light cable was laid in the grounds of Government House for lighting purposes.

Typhoon signal lights were installed at Gough Hill Police Station.

Improvements to lights and fans were effected in 66 existing Government Buildings.

The lifts in various Government Buildings were maintained in good order.

52. Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c.—The sewers, storm-water drains, and trained nullahs generally were cleansed, repaired and maintained in good condition, the open nullahs and channels in the City of Victoria and in the Shaukiwan District being cleansed by the Sanitary Department. The automatic flushing tanks were operated during periods of low tide. Sand deposits were cleared as they occurred.

On account of the high tenders received for the annual maintenance contract of 1924, the whole of the maintenance of sewers, nullahs &c. was carried out departmentally.

The septic tanks at Lugard Road, Repulse Bay, and near R.B.L. 137, Pokfulum Road, were periodically sludged.

All metal work in connection with the various drainage systems was inspected, and, where found necessary, repaired and tarred.

Repairs were effected to sewers, nullahs, etc., the most important being to those situated as shewn below :—

<i>Sewers.</i>	
In Davis Street, Kennedy Town, Shaukiwan Road, opposite I.L. 1721 Tsat Tze Mui (out- fall),	In Aberdeen Street opposite Kau U Fong, Seymour Road (No. 4).
In Calder Path, In Percival Street (outfall), North-west of I.L. 1633, Bowen Road Tramway Station,	<i>Nullahs.</i>
In Belchers Street opposite Davis Street,	North side of the Island, Hongkong, Barker Road, East of Chatham Path.

A considerable number of defective traps was renewed, and a number of old disused drains of various sizes and types destroyed and filled in.

The details of expenditure under this heading were as follows :—

Labour for cleansing operations ...	\$ 11,413.01
Repairs	3,343.64
Tools for cleansing operations	891.28
General incidental expenditure ...	470.98
	\$ 16,119.01

as against \$17,546.05 in the previous year.

53. Gas Lighting, City, Suburbs, and Hill District.—The total number of lamps in use at the end of the year in the City and its precincts was 1,369, an increase of 21 over the previous year, and in the Hill District 200, an increase of 39 as compared with the previous year.

54. *Electric Lighting, City, Hill District, and Shaukiwan.*—

The number and positions of incandescent lamps in the principal roads of the City are as under:—

City of Victoria	{	Various Roads,	60—1,000	C.P.
		Chater Road, junction of Jackson Road,...	1—	300 "
		Des Vœux Road, Cen- tral, junction of Jackson Road,.....	1—	300 "
		Connaught Road, Central, near Star Ferry Wharf,.....	1—	200 "
		On Tramway Route,...	117—	100 "
		Chater Road - Mur- ray Road,	2—	100 "
		Wanchai Gap Road,	1—	100 "
North Point Cable Area,	1—	100 "		
Stubbs Road,	94—	100 "		
Wongneichong Recreation Grounds, ...	5—	100 "		
Pokfulam Road,	26—	100 "		
Aberdeen	16—	100 "		
Shaukiwan Road,	28—	50 "		
Breezy Point Government Quarters, ...	1—	50 "		
Kennedy Town Pier,	1—	50 "		
Bowen Road,	19—	32 "		
Path from Bowen Road to May Road,	6—	32 "		
Lugard Road,.....	19—	32 "		
Magazine Gap Road,.....	21—	32 "		
Tregunter Path,.....	18—	32 "		
Excelsior Terrace,	4—	32 "		
Harlech Road,	25—	32 "		
Barker Road,.....	2—	16 "		

Traffic Control Lights.

Garden Road, at the junction with Queen's Road East,	4—	32 C.P.
Garden Road, at the junction with Lower Albert Road,	3—	50 "
Caine Road, at the junction with Arbuthnot Road,	3—	50 "
Caine Road, near No. 8 Police Station,...	3—	50 "
Bonham Road, at the junction with High Street,	2—	50 "
Pokfulam Road, at the junction with Bonham Road,	3—	50 "

In addition to these, the Taikoo Dock & Engineering Co. provide and light 10 lamps, each having a cluster of three—100 C.P. incandescent lamps. for lighting the road adjacent to their

property, and the Laikoo Sugar Refining Co. also provide and light seven 2,000 C.P. incandescent lamps for the roads adjacent to their property.

55. Extensions of Lighting.—214 lamps were erected during the year, 60 being Gas and 154 Electric.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$1,500.00
1924 Sup. Votes,	4,000.00
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	\$5,500.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$5,169.27

56. Maintenance of Praya Walls and Piers.—The principal items executed under this heading were general repairs to the Western Street Pier, and the Keng Shan Wharf, at a cost of \$2,434.04 and \$1,862.98 respectively. Considerable repairs to Murray Pier, Blake Pier, the Eastern Street Pier and Victoria Street Pier were also executed.

57. Maintenance of Public Cemeteries.—The cemeteries were generally maintained in a satisfactory condition, numerous graves being repaired, and one of the paths with earth surfacing was resurfaced with 4" cement concrete.

58. Maintenance of Chinese Cemeteries.—The work carried out under this heading has already been alluded to in paragraph 37 of this report:—

1924 Estimates,	\$2,500.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$2,459.25

59. Maintenance of Public Recreation Grounds.—The various grounds were maintained in good order. The use of departmental labour for the purpose of mowing grass, cleansing ditches, etc., was continued.

60. Dredging Foreshores.—The No. 1 Grab Dredger was employed during the year at, and removed the quantities of material from, the undermentioned places:—

	<i>Cubic yards.</i>
Drain outfalls.....	20,886
Sanitary and other Piers	10,253
Causeway Bay	2,403
Laichikok	380
On hire	2,175
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	36,097
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The material was deposited on the sites of the Praya East, Laichikok, Kowloon City, North Point and Kennedy Town Reclamations.

The Dredger was put on the slip and thoroughly overhauled, and defective parts of the hull and machinery made good to the satisfaction of the Government Marine Surveyor at a cost of \$1,593.50.

A sum of \$1,045.00 was received for the hiring out of the Dredger.

61. Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.—The heavy rains, particularly during the months of May to September, caused numerous landslips, and badly scoured the macadamised road surfacing not treated with asphaltum.

I.Ls. 2237 and 2238 Bowen Road:—The road adjoining these lots was breached in places as a result of the heavy rains and collapse of the retaining walls above, necessitating its reconstruction.

Retaining wall at Pokfulam Road:—A landslip occurred on this road, endangering the Elliot Filter Beds and the Government Quarters above, involving the construction of a large retaining wall.

Retaining and toe walls to support the benching, where landslips occurred, were found necessary at the following places:—

Below Findlay Road,
Road from Repulse Bay to Wongneichong,
Stubbs Road,
Road above Conduit and Hatton Roads,
Road from Broadwood Road to Wongneichong.

Large landslips occurred on the following roads:—

Belchers Street, Taitam Road, Deep Water Bay Road, Black's Link, Little Hongkong Village Road, Lane at rear of Monmouth Path, Glenealy,	Mount Davis Road, Hatton Road, junction of Conduit Road, Craigmin Road, Tai Hang Motor Road, Road from Broadwood Road to Wongneichong, Stubbs Road.
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A certain amount of work occasioned by the Typhoon of August, 1923, still remained to be done at the close of that year:—

The work of repairing the Causeway Bay Mole was completed in October at a cost of \$5,672.00.

The principal items occurring and completed during 1924, were the following :—

- (a.) Repairs to wall below Plunkett's Road, The Peak.
- (b.) Repairs to banks of Stubbs Road, The Peak.

At the close of the year (b.) was satisfactorily completed and (a.) well advanced.

A certain amount of work due to damages by the Typhoon of August, 1923, still remained to be done at the close of that year.

The principal items completed during 1924 were the following :—

- Saiyingpun School,..... Floors, etc.
- Leighton Hill Quarters, Approach paths.
- "Tanderage", Garden walls.
- Mountain Lodge, Roofs to servants quarters, plate-glass windows and frames to verandah, covered-way to servants quarters, etc., etc.
- Aberdeen Police Station,..... Repairs to damage at rear, and fences to approach paths.

62. Stores Depreciation.—The adjustment of Store Values and re-conditioning of old stores have been met from this Vote, amounting to \$14,799.98.

The following sums were credited to the Vote :—\$4,491.89 being rebate on freight charges in connection with stores purchased in England through the Crown Agents ; \$1,850.01 being the value of stores returned which had been issued prior to 1924 ; \$8,409.88 being the value of defective wire replaced by the Manufacturers.

The result shewed a net expenditure on the Vote of \$48.20.

63. Boundary Stones.—A statement of the boundary stones fixed will be found in paragraph 16 of this Report.

1924 Estimate,	\$ 5,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	—
	\$ 5,000.00
1924 Expenditure.....	\$ 2,682.51

64. Survey of Colony.—An account of the Survey Work executed will be found in paragraphs 21 and 22 of this Report.

1924 Estimate,	\$ 5,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	6,500.00
	\$ 11,500.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 5,342.49

65. Maintenance of City and Hill District Water Works.—

The year opened with a full supply in all districts, but owing to the previous rainy season being a late one no restrictions became necessary until May 5th, when the depletion of the Pokfulam Reservoir necessitated a restricted supply in the district West of Eastern Street.

From 7th to 23rd May all the Rider Main Districts were put on a restricted supply.

From 25th June to 2nd July all the districts were again put on a restricted supply, owing to the temporary flumes at Bowen Road being damaged by a landslide.

From May 24th to the end of the year a constant supply was maintained in the districts East of Eastern Street. At the West of Eastern Street, however, it was only possible to give a restricted supply due to the muddy state of the Pokfulam Reservoir consequent on the washing down of large quantities of detritus from the new Peak Motor Road.

The reconstruction of the Bowen Road Conduit, arising out of last year's landslide near the Military Hospital, was satisfactorily completed, and water flowed through the new section on August 29th.

The total quantity of water stored in the impounding reservoirs on the 1st January amounted to 1,812 million gallons, there being 415 million gallons in the gravitation reservoirs and 1,397 million gallons in the low-level reservoirs requiring pumping. Storage reached a minimum on the 15th May when the total was 916 million gallons, there being 171 million gallons in the gravitation reservoirs.

The reservoirs were at or over their permanent overflow levels for the following periods :—

Reservoirs.	Capacity to permanent overflow level. (Million gallons.)	Period.
Taitam,	384.80	51 days between 24th June and 14th October.
Taitam Bywash,	22.36	36 days between 24th June and 14th August.
Taitam Intermediate,	195.90	223 days between 1st January and 24th December.
Taitam Tuk,	1,419.00	71 days between 17th July and 20th October.
Wongneichong,	30.34	18 days between 24th June and 18th October.
Pokfulam,	66.00	89 days between 1st January and 19th October.

The rainfall for the year amounted to 98.57 inches (Observatory Record) or 8.17 inches less than last year, and was 8.72 inches above the average for the last forty-one years. Although there was considerable rainfall during February and April, the wet season did not set in until May.

The first heavy rains fell on the 16th May, when the reservoirs commenced to rise. The dry season set in late, the last considerable rain falling on the 5th October when a heavy rainfall was experienced completely filling the reservoirs.

The maximum quantity of water impounded in all the reservoirs during the year amounted to 2,127 million gallons on 11th October, or 39 million gallons less than the maximum for 1923.

The total quantity of water remaining in the reservoirs at the end of the year amounted to 1,568.79 million gallons.

The total quantity of water pumped from the Taitam Tuk Reservoir during the year amounted to 1,429.28 million gallons, ~~1,275.19~~ million gallons being pumped by the new Simpson Engines, and 154.09 million gallons by the Tangye Engines. This total exceeds last year's by 557.11 million gallons.

No. 1 Engine (Tangye)	ran	55	days.
" 2 "	"	71	"
" 3 " (Simpson)	"	228	"
" 4 "	"	208	"

The following is a statement of the cost of pumping during 1923 and 1924.

Taitam Tuk Pumping Station.

	1923.	1924.
Coal.	\$ 47,470.00	\$ 74,588.60 *
Wages,	12,495.99	13,957.89
Miscellaneous, including repairs and stores other than coal,	6,044.42	12,534.71
Total,	\$ 66,013.41	\$101,081.20

* This represents value of coal consumed during the year. Coal to the value of \$4,275.00 was carried forward from 1923 to 1924, and coal to the value of \$8,806.40 was carried forward from 1924 to 1925.

The price of coal was \$15.00 per ton during the whole year in 1924.

A comparative statement of the local rainfall for the year at various points is given in the following table :—

Month.	Royal Observatory.	Kowloon Reservoir.	Public Gardens.	Taitam Reservoir.	Taitam Tank Reservoir.	Fokfulam Reservoir.	Wongcichong Reservoir.	Tai-po Quarters.
January.	1.080	1.15	1.59	1.25	.93	1.32	1.47	1.44
February,....	4.510	4.66	4.50	4.13	3.42	3.78	4.92	3.02
March,	0.180	...	0.25	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.01	1.82
April,	6.215	5.41	4.89	3.60	3.66	4.40	4.35	5.23
May,	16.875	15.32	15.97	16.41	14.74	18.83	21.92	11.04
June,	23.140	29.53	25.05	26.97	20.91	24.16	32.18	24.86
July,	19.675	18.38	18.24	18.65	15.91	19.78	26.53	15.43
August.....	10.655	9.85	14.29	7.34	6.41	12.80	13.28	9.50
September, 6.440	10.92	10.28	6.49	5.10	8.15	9.51	5.55	
October, ...	9.090	9.55	9.70	9.83	9.91	11.39	17.76	12.22
November...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
December,...	0.710	0.82	0.74	0.47	0.34	1.07	0.24	1.05
Total 1924 .	98.570	106.59	105.51	95.17	81.38	105.76	132.23	95.16
„ 1923 .	104.740	111.76	109.02	111.87	103.51	106.04	156.59	117.02
Increase or Decrease }	-8.170	- 6.17	- 3.51	-16.70	-22.13	- 0.28	-24.36	- 20.86

The total quantity of water supplied during the year amounted to 3,171.96 million gallons filtered, and 42.40 million gallons unfiltered, making a grand total of 3,214.36 million gallons or 657.52 million gallons more than during 1923.

The average consumption of filtered water per head per day for all purposes throughout the year amounted to about 22.6 gallons. In arriving at this figure the population has been estimated at 382,680 (1921 Census figures).

Full details of consumption, etc., will be found in Annexes C & D.

The analyses made by the Government Analyst show that the water was of good quality throughout the year, and the results obtained by bacteriological examination were also satisfactory.

The quantity of water pumped to the High Level District of the City amounted to 166.91 million gallons, equal to an average daily consumption of about 456,000 gallons, whilst 71.79 million gallons were pumped to the Hill District, giving an average daily consumption of 196,000 gallons. As compared with 1923, there was an increase of 8.65 million gallons pumped to the High Level District and an increase of 8.54 million gallons to the Hill District.

The grand total pumped during the year to the High Level District amounted to 238.70 million gallons as compared with 221.51 million gallons pumped during 1923, or an increase of 17.19 million gallons.

Tabulated statements containing particulars of the quantities of water pumped to the High Level of the City and to the Hill District respectively will be found in Annexe E.

All engines, motors, and station buildings have been kept in good repair throughout the year.

The work of overhauling the valves on the principal mains in the City was continued during the year, the number thoroughly repaired being 174.

The number of meters in use at the end of the year amounted to 2,777 in the City, and 187 in the Hill District, making a total of 2,964, as compared with 2,272 and 161 or a total of 2,433 at the end of 1923. These figures do not include 32 meters in use at Pokfulam, and 16 at Repulse Bay.

The quantity of water supplied by meters was as follows :—

Filtered :—	Million gallons.
Trade,	448.68
Domestic, City,	314.53
" Hill District,	71.79
Unfiltered,	42.40
Total.....	<u>877.40</u>

These figures show an increase of 115.79 million gallons in the quantity supplied by meters as compared with 1923.

New services were constructed or old ones altered, improved, repaired, or connected to the mains to the number of 3,900, and 332 supplies were laid on for building purposes.

The number of inspections of private services carried out amounted to 19,107. Defective services were found in 455 cases, all of which were put in proper repair after the usual notices had been served.

66. Maintenance of Water Works, Shaukiwan.—A constant supply of water by fountains was maintained throughout the year, which became possible by the temporary connection to the City system. The total quantity of water drawn from the City Mains amounted to 5.72 million gallons.

The total consumption for the year amounted to 65.73 million gallons which includes 3.46 million gallons to the Barracks at Saiwan, and 2.53 million gallons to the boat population, or an average of about 180,000 gallons per day.

Details of the consumption are given in Annexe F.

There were 43 meters in use at the close of the year.

67. Maintenance of Water Works, Aberdeen.—A satisfactory supply of water was maintained throughout the year, the total consumption being 30.05 million gallons, including 4.92 million gallons supplied through the water boat station, as compared with a total consumption of 26.84 million gallons, and a water boat supply of 5.63 million gallons during 1923. The average consumption throughout the year amounted to 82,000 gallons per day.

Details of the consumption are given in Annexe G.

There were 15 meters in use at the close of the year.

68. Water Account (Meters &c.).—The number of meters examined and repaired during the year was 2,165. A systematic overhaul of all meters is now being carried out. The following is a statement of expenditure under the vote:—

New Meters (difference in value between issues and receipts),	\$ 17,482.89
New installations,	1.82
Repairs to meters (Labour),	10,234.99
Repairs to meters (Materials),	4,587.93
Meter Boxes, &c.,	5.18
Total,	<u>\$ 32,312.81</u>

P.W.R. KOWLOON.

69. Maintenance of Buildings.—The Buildings generally were kept in a good state of repair, a number of them being renovated and generally repaired in accordance with the recurring programme.

The expenditure amounted to \$44,022.90.

70. Improvements of Buildings.—The principal improvements to buildings carried out under this heading comprised alterations and improvements to the European Quarters at the Matankok Cattle Depot; modification to the Rickshaw Coolie Shelter at the Kowloon Ferry; erection of a boundary wall at the Kowloon Fire

Station; alterations to the Wireless Telegraphy Room at the Royal Observatory; erection of grilles to the Boat Shed at the Yaumati Coal Camber; repairs to the Time Ball at Blackhead's Point; arms grilles to the Police Stations at Tai Nam Street, Mongkok and Shamshuipo; installation of Water Carriage System at the Green Island Lighthouse Quarters; surfacing with cement concrete, the area around the Lighthouse at Ma Wan; fitting up of a Chemical Laboratory and erecting a covered-way at the Kowloon British School

Numerous other improvements of a minor nature were carried out to various buildings.

The expenditure amounted to \$15,976.21.

71. *Maintenance of Roads and Bridges* } *Approximate mile-*
Improvements to Roads and Bridges }
 age 30.—The roads generally were maintained in a satisfactory manner.

The following are particulars of the additional areas laid with improved surfacing during the year.—

	<i>Sq. Yds.</i>
Tarring and sanding,.....	67,396
2" granolithic paving slabs laid on footways,	15,674

72. *Maintenance of Telephones.*—The lines and instruments were maintained in good order. Twelve telephones were installed in various Government Buildings.

The Kowloon underground cable scheme, 1st section, was completed.

A 100-line telephone exchange was installed at the Yaumati Police Station.

A fire alarm system was installed at the Kowloon Fire Station.

A ten-pair telephone cable was laid between Chatham Road Bridge and the Royal Observatory.

A cable testing chamber for 5 cables was built at Chatham Road.

The telephone route from Kowloon to Laichikok was transferred from the Military to the P.W.D. poles.

The wiring was improved and extra lights and fans were installed in 20 existing Government Buildings. All the existing wiring was maintained in good condition.

73. Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c.—The sewers, storm-water drains, and trained nullahs were cleansed, repaired and maintained in good condition, the open channels and nullahs being cleansed by the Sanitary Department. The automatic flushing tanks were kept working continuously and sand deposits were removed as they occurred.

On account of the high tenders received for the annual maintenance contract of 1924, the whole of the maintenance of sewers, nullahs, &c., was carried out departmentally.

Repairs were made to the undermentioned sewers :—

In Nathan Road, at the junction with Wing Sing Street.

In Nathan Road, between Wing Sing Street and Man Ming Lane.

In Saigon Street, between Temple Street and Woosung Street.

At the junction of Middle Road and Hankow Road.

In Middle Road, near the side entrance to Kowloon Hotel.

In Salisbury Road, near Canton Road.

A considerable number of defective traps were renewed, and a number of old disused drains destroyed and filled in.

All metal work in connection with the drainage systems was inspected and, where necessary, repaired and tarred.

The details of expenditure under this heading are as follows :—

Labour for cleansing operation,	\$3,953.81
Repairs,	240.01
Tools for cleansing operations,	—
General incidental expenditure,	22.05

\$4,215.87

as against \$5,924.10 in the previous year.

74. Gas Lighting.—The total number of lamps in use at the end of the year was 481, an increase of 12 over the previous year.

75. Electric Lighting—The number of electric lamps in use at the end of the year, of which all are incandescent, was 201, an increase of 54 lamps as compared with the previous year.

76. Extension of Lighting.—111 lamps were erected during the year in Kowloon and Shamshuipo Districts, 99 being electric and 12 gas.

The substitution of improved iron standards for wooden ones was continued.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 1,500.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 1,475.00

77. Maintenance of Quay Walls and Piers.—The principal items executed under this heading were general repairs to Tsim Sha Tsui Pier, Shantung Street Pier, and Hunghom Pier at a cost of \$2,527.45, \$557.45 and \$524.24 respectively.

78. Maintenance of Recreation Grounds.—Very little expenditure was incurred under this heading, as the new lay-out of King's Park for general recreation purposes was started early in the year.

79. Maintenance of Chinese Cemeteries.—The work carried out under this heading has been alluded to in paragraph 37 of this report.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 1,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 706.87

80. Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.—The heavy rains already referred to in paragraph 61 of this report were the cause of several small landslips throughout the district.

The surfaces of those roads treated with asphaltum suffered only to a trifling extent, but practically the whole of the ordinary macadamized roads had to be repaired owing to scour. The reconstruction of the pier damaged in the typhoon of August, 1923, and repairs to the sea-wall at the Green Island Gun Powder Dépôt were completed. The Matshed shelter at the Children's Playground, Chatham Road, was partly renewed, and repairs were also made to the Indian Police matshed at Hunghom.

81. Maintenance of Water Works.—A constant supply of water was maintained in all the districts throughout the year.

The total quantity supplied was 848.51 million gallons, giving an average daily consumption of 2.31 million gallons or 15.9 gallons per head per day, taking an estimated population of 145,540.

Details are given in Annexe H.

The quantity of water stored in the impounding reservoir on the 1st January amounted to 330.24 million gallons, and it reached a minimum on the 14th May when it fell to 117.50 million gallons. The reservoir was at or above its permanent

overflow level from the 24th June to 21st November. The quantity of water remaining in the reservoir at the end of the year amounted to 285.06 million gallons.

The analyses made by the Government Analyst and the examinations carried out by the Bacteriologist were satisfactory.

The various buildings were kept in a good state of repair during the year.

There were 1,042 meters in use at the close of the year, an increase of 170 as compared with 1923.

House services were constructed, altered or repaired in 402 instances, and 160 supplies were laid on for building purposes.

82. Water Account.—The number of meters examined and repaired during the year amounted to 395.

The following is a statement of expenditure under the vote:—

New Meters (difference in value between issues and receipts),	... ..	\$ 10,998.21
New installation,	... ..	Nil.
Repairs to Meters (Labour),	... ..	2,573.14
Repairs to Meters (Materials),	... ..	1,722.51
Meter Boxes &c.,	... ..	230.22
Total	... ..	<u>\$ 15,524.08</u>

P.W.R. NEW TERRITORIES.

83. Maintenance of Buildings.—The buildings generally were kept in a good state of repair, a number of them being renovated and generally repaired in accordance with the recurring programme.

The total expenditure amounted to \$26,178.32.

84. Improvement to Buildings.—The main items of work carried out under this heading comprised the following:—

Covering the cement concrete flat roofs to verandahs at the Taipó Land Office with "Malthoid"; improvements and alterations to the Servants Quarters and Kitchen, and erection of a shed for dead box at Lok Ma Chau Police Station; provision and fitting of mosquito gauze to windows at Tsun Wan Police Station; drainage and earth work at the rear of the Police Station at Sai Kung; brick lining to well at

the Ta Ku Ling Police Station ; alterations and improvements to the Latrine at the Shataukok Police Station ; alterations and improvements to the lower sheds and partitions in the Indian Warders Quarters ; erection of brick piles at, and removal of the water tanks to the new position.

1924 Estimate,	\$ 3,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	10,000.00

	\$13,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 7,781.87

85. Maintenance of Roads and Bridges. } Approximate mile-
Improvements to Roads and Bridges } age 69½.
 The roads generally were maintained in a satisfactory manner.

The following were particulars of the additional areas laid with improved surfacing during the year :—

	<i>Sq. Yds.</i>
Tarring and sanding,	24,192
2" granolithic paving slabs laid on footways,	6,180
Substitution of granite sets on 6" cement concrete, ..	450

86. Maintenance of telephones :—The lines and instruments were maintained in good order, and three new telephones were installed.

Eight bell and buzzer systems were installed in various Government Buildings.

Wooden poles were replaced by iron ones on various routes, and old G.I. wire line renewed.

A railway level crossing alarm system was installed at Tai Po, and another at Sha Tin.

All the telephone and electric signalling apparatus on the British Section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway was maintained in good condition.

All the alarm telephones on the frontier were kept in good order.

87. Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c.—The sewers and the trained nullahs at Shamshuipo, and the nullahs and the concrete channels in Kowloon City, were cleansed, repaired and maintained in good condition.

On account of the high tenders received for the annual maintenance contract of 1924, the whole of the maintenance of sewers, nullahs, etc., was carried-out departmentally.

A number of old disused drains was destroyed and filled in.

The details of expenditure under this heading are as follows :—

Labour for cleansing operations,	
Repairs,	
Tools for cleansing operations,	
General incidental expenditure, ...\$	4.10
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Total	\$ 4.10
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as against \$534.31 in the previous year.

88. Electric Lighting, Shamshuipo.—The number of electric lamps in use at the end of the year, of which all are incandescent was 107, an increase of 45 as compared with the previous year.

89. Maintenance of Chinese Cemeteries. The work carried out under this heading has already been alluded to in paragraph 37 of this report.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$100.00
1924 Expenditure,	Nil.

90. Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages—The heavy rains referred to in paragraph 61 of his report caused slight damage to the macadamised and decomposed granite surfacing, walling and embankments. No serious damage was recorded.

The reinforced cement concrete path to the Police Station, and the rebuilding of a brick wall at the Island Quarters, Taipo, were completed during the early part of the year. These works arose in connection with the typhoon of August, 1923.

91. Maintenance of Water Works, Laichikok.—The total quantity of water supplied during the year amounted to 152.88 million gallons, which is a decrease of 8.40 million gallons over 1923, or an average consumption of 417,000 gallons per day.

Temporary water-boat supplies were in force at Queen's Pier from the beginning of the year till 2nd May, 1924, and at the Praya East from 7th December, 1924, till the end of the year; a total of 19.8 million gallons was supplied from these sources.

Details of consumption are given in Annexe J.

There were 23 meters in use at the close of the year.

92. Maintenance of Water Works, Fanling.—The total quantity of water supplied during the year amounted to 7.92 million gallons, or an average consumption of 21,000 gallons per day.

There were 29 meters in use at the close of the year.

93. Maintenance of Water Works, Taipo.—The total quantity of water supplied during the year is unknown as all the services were un-metered.

A control meter was fixed in December, and a total consumption figure for 1925 will be obtained.

There were 25 meters in use by the end of the year.

94. Water Accounts.—Meters were examined and repaired in 45 instances.

The expenditure under the vote was as follows:—

New Meters (difference in value between issues and receipts)	\$ 659.94
New Installations	475.54
Repairs to Meters (Labour)	165.97
Repairs to Meters (Materials)	146.15
Meter Boxes, &c.	65.14
Total	<u>\$1,512.74</u>

PUBLIC WORKS EXTRAORDINARY.

HONGKONG.

95. Officers' Quarters.—

Quarters at rear of "Le Calvaire".—This work, which was referred to in paragraph 94 of last year's Report, proceeded satisfactorily during the year.

The North Block was completed and occupied in December, while the work on the South Block was well advanced, the paint work being in progress.

Additional Quarters at rear of "Le Calvaire".—This work consists of site preparation, and the erection of a block of six houses similar to, but slightly smaller than, those recently completed on the adjoining site.

The accommodation provided for in each house affords a sitting room, a dining room, 3 bedrooms and the usual servants quarters, etc.

A contract for this work was let to Messrs. Kien On & Co. on 22nd October, 1924, and the work commenced immediately.

By the end of the year, the site had been cleared and the foundations to the retaining wall were in position.

Senior Officers' Quarters, Mount Gough.—This work was referred to in paragraph 94 of last year's Report.

Early in the year, the site preparation was completed, and the erection of the buildings begun. In June, plans were prepared for two garages on a piece of ground at the junction of the drive with the main road. This building is so planned that quarters for chauffeurs may at a future date be built above. The work was commenced in July under the Maintenance Contract, as the Contractors for the quarters have declined to carry out this under the same Contract.

All the work progressed satisfactorily and without delay, and at the end of the year was nearing completion.

1924 Estimates, ...\$200,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$	...
1924 Sup. Vote, ... 260,414.14		
\$460,414.14	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...\$469,675.11	31.12.24,	\$1,309,626.67

96. *Overseer's Quarters, Elliot Filter Beds.*—This work was referred to in paragraph 96 of last year's Report.

Early in the year, the site preparation was completed including the necessary retaining wall along the top of the site. It was found necessary to make this wall considerably longer and higher owing to the soft nature of the soil. In levelling the site, an outcrop of first quality grey granite was struck which was quarried and used for the erection of the quarters at a slightly lower total cost than would have resulted by the use of brick-work.

1924 Estimates, .....\$25,000.00	Total Estimates, .....\$	...
1924 Sup. Vote, 15,000.00		
\$40,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...\$32,359.77	31.12.24,	\$35,964.27

97. *Cadet Quarters, Canton.*—This item was referred to in paragraph 100 of last year's Report.

A contract for this work was let to Messrs. Cheung Ah Cheong on May 16th, 1924, and work commenced without delay.

By the end of the year, the work has reached the first floor level.

1924 Estimates, .....\$20,000.00	Total Estimates, .....\$	...
1924 Sup. Vote, 33,000.00		
\$53,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...\$51,884.28	31.12.24,	\$51,884.28

98. Quarters for Sanitary Inspector, Kennedy Town.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work during the year; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....\$40,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$...
1924 Expenditure,....\$...	Expenditure to 31.12.24, \$...

99. Fire Brigade Station.—This work was referred to in paragraph 102 of last year's Report.

The contract for the erection of the steel framework to the building proceeded satisfactorily and was completed in May.

A contract for the superstructure was let to Messrs. Trollope and Colls (Far East), Ltd., on 25th August.

Work was immediately commenced, and by the end of the year the concrete casing to the ground floor stanchions, and the reinforced concrete to the first floor were completed, while the wood forming to the second and third floors was well advanced.

100. Sanitary Coolies Quarters at Wanchai.—The pressure of work in the Architectural Office has rendered necessary the engagement of Messrs. Denison, Ram and Gibbs, Architects, to undertake this work.

The building was commenced about October, and by the end of the year it was half-way towards completion. It is built of brick, with reinforced concrete floors and a flat concrete roof. It consists of two rectangular blocks, the upper block being three and the lower ones four storeys high. Sleeping accommodation is provided for coolies on the two upper floors of each block. The ground floor has sleeping quarters for coolies in the Southern block, and a mess room and kitchens in the Northern block. The latter block also has a basement containing storeroom, bath room and lavatories, boiler house, and drying room.

These Quarters will afford accommodation for 350 coolies.

1924 Estimates, ...\$...	Total Estimates, .....\$90,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...\$ 90,000.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, \$ 51,528.08	31.12.24, .....\$51,528.08

Good progress was made on the preparation of the granite work, and about three-quarters of the granite plinth to the building was built. The brickwork was completed up to the ground floor level including that as backing to the granite plinth.

1924 Estimates. ...\$ 300,000 00	Total Estimates, ..\$1,110,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 80,455.91	Expenditure to 31.12.24,.....\$ 552,515.16

101. Victoria Hospital.—Alterations and Extensions to Existing Buildings.—This work was referred to in paragraph 103 of last year's Report.

During the reconstruction of the Main Block, a new Central Wing was being added containing on the ground floor a Doctors' Office, Dispensary, Ward Kitchen, Duty Room, Main Kitchen, Amahs' Quarters etc., and on the first floor a Theatre Block, Ward Kitchen, Duty Room, Sanitary Block and Dry Room. The East and West Wings of the old building were being raised in height by an additional storey, thus making them of uniform height with the remainder of the building. Additional sanitary accommodation was also being provided throughout the building, and modern sanitary fittings installed.

The external surfaces of the old buildings were covered with painted stucco, which was being stripped and replaced with Shanghai Plaster.

Satisfactory progress was made during the year. All the old work not required was removed, and the carcass of the New Central Wing completed. The roof of the Main Building, which it was intended to leave without alteration, was found to be infested with white ants, and it was considered advisable to reconstruct it with sound timber.

1924 Estimates, ...\$130,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$286,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 71,269.49	Expenditure to 31.12.24, .....\$339,819.80

102. New Saiyingpun School.—This work was referred to in paragraph 105 of last year's Report.

The contract for the Superstructure was signed by the Contractors, Messrs. Kin Lee & Co., on the 11th April.

Great difficulty was experienced at the beginning in obtaining facing bricks in adequate quantities, but eventually arrangements were made to obtain them from Formosa, since when the work has progressed with utmost expedition.

Practically half the carcass of the Building was completed by the end of the year.

The whole of the necessary steel joists, etc., indented for from Home was delivered on site, and it is anticipated that this work will be completed well within the contract time.

1924 Estimates, ...\$200,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$555,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ..\$127,227.26	Expenditure to 31.12.24, .....\$203,214.21

103. Queen's College—Formation of site for the proposed new School at Caroline Hill.—This work was referred to in paragraph 106 of last year's Report.

Good progress was made during the year with the formation and levelling of the site, whilst the walling was completed by the close of the year. The formation of the road encircling the whole of the site was in hand.

It was not possible to proceed with the preparation of the plans for the buildings during the year.

1924 Estimates, ...\$100,000.00	Total Estimates, ..\$1,000,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ..\$ 52,478.58	Expenditure to 31.12.24,\$ 135,459.11

104. Extension to Lairage and Coolie Quarters, Kennedy Town.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work during the year; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates, .....\$5,000.00	Total Estimates,\$...
1924 Expenditure,.....\$ 5.60	Expenditure to 31.12.24,\$ 5.60

105. Saiyingpun Market—Reconstruction.—Sketch schemes were prepared early in the year, and the work now awaits final approval and the resumption of the site.

1924 Estimates,\$ 1,000.00	Total Estimates,.....\$...
1924 Sup. Vote, 9,000.00	
\$ 10,000.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, ...\$...	31.12.24,\$...

106. Government Stores Extension.—This work consists of:—

- (a.) Covering the existing Store at the South end of the yard with a reinforced concrete roof carried on concrete piers.
- (b.) The erection of a brick store for oil and cement adjacent to the Main Store Building.

For these two items of work, a contract was let to Messrs. Yee Lee & Co. in September, and by the end of the year the work was almost completed.

1924 Estimates,\$ 15,000.00	Total Estimates,.....\$...
1924 Expenditure, ...\$ 7,739.58	Expenditure to 31.12.24,.....\$ 7,750.31

107. Coal Storage and Motor Garage, Wanchai Depôt.—This work, referred to in paragraph 114 of last year's Report, was practically completed during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 10,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	8,000.00
	\$ 18,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 17,482.39

108. Garage—Stubbs Road.—This work was referred to in paragraph 115 of last year's Report.

Satisfactory progress was made during the year, the building being completed in July. A certain amount of work was subsequently required to be done owing to trouble with the bank at the rear of the site. This work, which consisted of facing the bank with granite, was nearing completion at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,\$ 10,000.00	Total Estimates,.....\$...
1924 Sup. Vote,..... 11,000.00	
\$ 21,000.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, ...\$ 20,659.01	31.12.24,\$ 26,957.24

109. New Infectious Diseases Hospital.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work during the year.

1924 Estimates,\$ 30,000.00	Total Estimates,.....\$...
1924 Expenditure, ...\$	Expenditure to 31.12.24,\$...

110. New Government Offices.—Alterations to the General Post Office.—This work was referred to in paragraph 117 of last year's report.

It was not possible to commence this work during the year. The work of preparing the drawings, etc., for the contract was, however, practically finished by the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 50,000.00	| Total Estimates,.....\$...
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	20,000.00	
	\$ 70,000.00	| Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 9,818.03		31.12.24,.....$ 29,987.57

111. Public Latrines, Urinals and Bath-Houses.— Contracts for the undermentioned public conveniences were let as follows :—

- (a.) U Yam Lane Trough Closet,---July, 1923.
- (b.) Underground Trough Closet and Bath-house at the junction of Second and Western Streets,---September, 1923.
- (c.) Cross Lane Bath-house,---November, 1923.
- (d.) Conversion of the latrine at Ship Street into a Trough Closet,---November, 1923.
- (e.) Trough Closet at Whitfield,---December, 1923.
- (f.) Urinal at Sai Wan Ho,---July, 1924.
- (g.) Urinal in Wong Nei Chong Road,---July, 1924.

(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), & (f), were described in paragraph 119 of last year's Report.

(g.) A small urinal erected adjacent to the Chair Coolies' Shelter opposite the junction of Broadwood Road with Wongnei-chong Road. This urinal was completed by the end of the year.

- (a.) was completed in March, 1924.
- (b.) was completed in November, 1924.
- (c.) Fair progress was made with the considerable alterations necessary here.
- (d.) was completed in November, 1924.
- (e.) & (f.) were much delayed owing to dilatoriness on the part of the Contractor.

The removal of the Urinal at Connaught Road, Central, opposite the Western Market, was the result of negotiations with the proprietors of the New Queen's Hotel, the cost involved thereby in the sum of \$1,950.00 being borne by them.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 25,000.00	| Total Estimates,....\$...
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	60,000.00	
	\$ 85,000.00	| Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 52,492.41		31.12.24,.....$ 60,996.04

112. New Architectural Office.—This work was referred to in paragraph 223 of last year's Report.

The contract for the main part of the building was let in April to Messrs. Sang Lee & Co.

By the end of the year, the work was almost completed, and it was expected to occupy the building early in 1925.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 58,000.00	|	Total Estimates \$	...
1924 Sup. Vote,	22,000.00			
	\$ 80,000.00	|	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 47,883.78			31.12.24, .....	$ 54,489.11

113. Inspector's Quarters, Cart Shed and Garage next to No. 1 Police Station.—The development scheme of the district referred to in paragraph 221 of last year's Report did not admit of this work being commenced.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 50,000.00	|	Total Estimates \$...
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$			31.12.24,

114. Central Police Station—New Store and Armoury.—The work consists of a two-storey brick building 60' 0" long by 30' 0" wide erected at the North-west corner of the parade ground containing on the ground floor Equipment Store, Outfit Room, Monthly Store, and Strong Room, and on the first floor Equipment Store, Armoury, Workshop, and Magazine.

The contract was let to Messrs. Yee Lee & Co. in March, and at the end of the year the work was nearing completion.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$ 35,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	\$
1924 Expenditure...	\$ 18,530.11			31.12.24.....	$ 18,530.11

115. Magistracy—New Cells.—This work, which involved the remodelling of the present Store portion of the Central Police Station Barrack Block, could not be commenced pending the completion of the New Police Store.

1924 Estimates	\$ 14,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	\$
1924 Expenditure...	\$ 2,623.97			31.12.24,.....	$ 2,623.97

116. Government Civil Hospital—Structural Alterations to “C” Block.—Nothing remained to be done during the year beyond the completion of the ward kitchen, referred to in last year’s Report, which was completed early in the year.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 10,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...\$
	|	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, \$ 5,696.66	|	31.12.24\$ 9,891.96

117. Government Civil Hospital—Extension to Sisters’ Quarters :—This work consists of a three-storey brick building adjoining the present quarters, Shanghai Plaster being used externally, and contains 14 bedrooms, a sitting room for the Matron, and the usual bathrooms, box rooms, etc.

The contract was let to Messrs. Trollope and Colls (Far East), Ltd., in May, and satisfactory progress made with the work, the building at the end of the year being up to the first floor level.

1924 Estimates, ...\$ 50,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...\$
	|	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, \$ 28,785.11	|	31.12.24\$ 28,785.11

118. Chair Coolie Shelters.—This work was referred to in paragraph 234 of last year’s Report. The three shelters at :—

- (a.) Garden Road, at its junction with Bowen Road,
 - (b.) Macdonnell Road, to the West of Calder Path, and
 - (c.) Glenealy, at its junction with Albert Road,
- were satisfactorily completed towards the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 3,200.00	|	Total Estimates, ...\$
	|	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure...\$ 2,693.11	|	31.12.24,.....\$ 2,693 11

119. Motor Garage near P.W.D. Offices.—This building, to accommodate 6 cars with a workshop attached, was constructed in brick with Asbestos sheet roofing carried on reinforced concrete purlins.

A contract for the work was let to Messrs. Yee Lee & Co. in June, and by the end of the year it was satisfactorily completed.

1924 Estimates, ...\$ 5,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...\$
1924 Sup: Vote, ... 10,000.00	|	
	|	Expenditure to
	|	31.12.24,\$ 13,769.72
1924 Expenditure, \$ 13,769.72	|	

123. Miscellaneous Works.—The following is a brief description of the principal works carried out under this heading :—

Government Laboratory.—Water Analysing Room, involving extension and alterations to Servants' Block at the Staff Quarters, G.C.H.

Nos. 5 and 6, Hospital Road.—Rented as Quarters for Indian Police and Watchmen.

Alterations, improvements and additions effected.

Victoria Hospital.—Fencing to Tennis Court for Staff.

Peak School.—Cement concrete steps from upper to lower play-ground.

Victoria Gaol.—Installation of Geysers in substitution of the old hot water circulating system.

The "Eyrie".—Erection of a Wireless Telegraphy Hut.

160—Homestead Houses.—Erection of fencing to Tennis Court.

Ellis Kadoorie School.—Erection of a small garage for motorcycles and a small kitchen for the Caretaker.

Opium Factory, Kennedy Town.—Alterations to Indian Constables' Quarters.

Electrical Workshop, Wanchai.—Matshed covering to roofs of Offices, Stores and Workshops.

No. 155, Wanchai Road.—Erection of a wooden garage for the Revenue Officers, Imports and Exports Department.

Revolver Range, Kennedy Road.—Providing and fitting up of moving targets for Police Department.

Hongkong Cricket Club Fence.—Repairs and renewals ; (part payment defrayed by the Club).

Scavenging Coolie Quarters, Belchers Street.—Alterations and improvements to provide Quarters for Sanitary Inspector.

Police Headquarters.—Provision and fixing of 4 brass Memorial Tablets, and alterations and improvements to the Detention Room.

Quarry Bay Police Station.—Erection of partition, shelves etc., and generally improving the place.

1924 Es mates,	\$ 30,000.00	Total Estimates,..... \$...
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	32,672.04		
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	\$ 62,672.04	Expenditure, to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 63,478.06		31.12.24,

124. Roads :—

(a.) Improving and widening road through Quarry Bay Village.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (a.) of last year's Report.

The progress made was very unsatisfactory, due to the dilatory manner in which the Contractor carried out his work. The Contract was closed in July.

The excavation within the area of the Quarry was completed and the material deposited in the Reclamation ; but this was not the case below Taikoo Terrace. The main culverts were extended as far as possible to carry the road on its new alignment.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 50,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$360,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	50,000.00		
	\$100,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 31,903.44	31.12.24,	\$186,578.11

(b.) Road from Taitam Gap to Shek-O.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (b) of last year's Report.

The section let under contract to Mr. Ng Wah was duly completed by July.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$ 17,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$492,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	40,000.00		
	\$ 57,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, \$	50,679.30	31.12.24,	\$379,749.85

(c.) Extending 20-foot Road from Magazine Gap to Victoria Gap, Stubbs Road.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (c.) of last year's Report.

The progress made during the year was not satisfactory, typhoon and rainstorm damages, as well as a shortage of filling material, greatly retarded the work. The Mt. Kellett Road Bridge was completed, and the banks above Pokfulam Reservoir were made good.

At the close of the year, this work was nearly completed. There remained only the retention money to be paid to the Contractor on the final making up of the bank of the motor road to the South of the proposed garage site, below Plunkett's Road.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$20,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$200,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	15,000.00		
	\$35,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, \$	19,726.18	31.12.24,	\$226,616.40

(d.) Road from Wongneichong Gap to Repulse Bay Road.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (d.) of last year's Report.

Mr. Ng Wah completed the remaining portion of the road, 7,100 feet in length, under his contract in July, which was within the stipulated time.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$100,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	\$257,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	56,000.00			
	<u>\$156,000.00</u>	|	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, \$	149,040.68			31.12.24, .....	$300,882.32

(e.) Road contouring the hillside in Wongneichong and Tai Hang Valleys,—Extension.—2nd Section.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (e.) of last year's Report.

Progress of this work was unsatisfactory. The dilatoriness on the part of the Contractor, the heavy cutting of the huge mass of rock at the Eastern end of the road, the extra toe-walls, and the trimming back of the cutting were the chief reasons for the delay in the completion of the work.

At the close of the year, about two-thirds of the road were completely finished.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$ 32,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	\$250,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	2,000.00			
	<u>\$ 34,000.00</u>	|	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, \$	30,119.97			31.12.24, .....	$251,487.96

(f.) Wanchai Road Widening to 42 feet.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (f.) of last year's Report. The carriageway adjoining the property that has been resumed was raised to the approved levels and surfaced.

The setting back to the new line and rebuilding were effected in the case of the properties stated on pages 45 and 46. The total cost of the resumptions defrayed from the vote for this work was \$1,461.40.

The sum of \$4,192.68 was expended on rebuilding a portion of the boundary wall of the Royal Naval Hospital at the South end of the road, which collapsed during the heavy rains, and was rebuilt on the new line by the Government.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$ 25,000.00	|	Total Estimates ...	\$ 95,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$	5,654.08			Expenditure to
			31.12.24.....	\$ 51,661.90

(g.) Road from Causeway Bay to North Point.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (g.) of last year's Report.

The progress reported for last year was not maintained, and, as the Contractors shewed a waning disposition in the work, in spite of concessions made, it was ultimately necessary to take the work out of their hands and close the Contract.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 50,000.00	Total Estimates,	\$
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 1,957.71	Expenditure to	
		31.12.24,	\$ 29,189.61

(h.) Shaukiwan Road,—Improvements in Shaukiwan Village.—This was referred to in paragraph 120 (h.) of last year's Report. The work was not commenced, owing to the resumptions of certain properties not being completed.

The Hongkong Tramway Co. relaid a portion of its track with double lines near Sai Wan Ho Market, and advantage was availed of to resurface the carriageway with tar macadam.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 15,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 4,975.16

(i.) Victoria Road Improvements.—The widening of this road to provide a minimum width of 25 feet, and open out dangerous bends, referred to in paragraph 120 (i.) of last year's Report, was continued during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 25,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 21,933.06

(j.) Road from Western end of Robinson Road to Conduit Road.—This was referred to in paragraph 120 (j.) of last year's Report.

Owing to the necessary resumptions not being completed, it was impossible to proceed with this work during the year. There was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 25,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	Nil

(k.) Road and Path from Wanchai Gap to Middle Gap.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (k.) of last year's Report.

Nothing further was done during the year; no expenditure was in consequence incurred under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 8,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$70,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...\$ 1,577.32	Expenditure, to 31.12.24, .....\$51,542.07

(l.) Road contouring the hillside above Conduit Road, 1st and 2nd Sections.—This work referred to in paragraph 120 (l.) of last year's Report was practically completed at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$15,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	25,000.00
	\$40,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$39,418.66

(m.) Tai Hang Development,—Road Construction.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (n.) of last year's Report.

The work under the contract let to Messrs. Sang Lee & Co. for a 25-foot road, and 365 feet of nullahs in August, 1923, was fairly well advanced at the close of the year, with the exception of the lower section. The progress on the whole was satisfactory, considering the shortage of filling material.

At the end of the year, negotiations for the resumption of certain Inland Lots at Tai Hang Village affecting the alignment of the lower section were pending.

1924 Estimates, \$ 60,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$122,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,..... 60,000.00	
	Expenditure, to
1924 Expenditure, ... \$ 76,691.74	31.12.24, .....\$104,216.64

(n.) Queen's Road, East, Widening to 60 feet.—This was referred to in paragraph 120 (q.) of last year's Report.

Asphaltic sand carpeting was laid on cement concrete foundation on that portion of the carriageway, where the widening had been completed, at a cost of \$3,304.67.

A total sum of \$5,393.44 was spent on the resumptions as shown on page 46.

1924 Estimates, .....\$20,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$...
1924 Expenditure, ...\$ 8,698.11	Expenditure to 31.12.24, .....\$349,010.88

(o) Kennedy Road Improvements.—This was referred to in paragraph 120 (r.) of last year's Report. A further section of the road between Macdonnell Road and Monmouth Path was widened and formed to a minimum width of 25 feet.

1924 Estimates,\$10,000.00
 1924 Expenditure, \$ 9,839.82

(p.) Road Improvements and widenings, Bonham Road.—This work was referred to in paragraph 120 (s.) (i.) of last year's Report. The widening of a further section adjoining I.L. 590 was put in hand and completed.

1924 Estimates,\$ 20,000.00
 1924 Expenditure,\$ 19,939.15

(q.) Main Roads in City,—Surfacing with Asphaltum.—This was referred to in paragraph 120 (t.) of last year's Report.

Connaught Road Central between Gilman and Hillier Streets and between Pottinger and Jubilee Streets was surfaced half the width on the Southern side with asphaltic sand carpeting 2" thick laid on cement concrete foundation 6" thick, and on the Northern side with granite setts on cement concrete foundation 6" thick.

1924 Estimates, \$ 60,000.00
 1924 Expenditure,\$ 64,331.09

(r.) Pokfulam Road, surfacing with sand carpeting between Nos. 4-8 Bridges, and from No. 11 Bridge to Aberdeen Village.—This work referred to in paragraph 120 (v.) of last year's Report was continued, and the section between Pokfulam Police Station and the City Boundary was completed by the end of the year, with the exception of two small lengths where drainage work was in progress.

1924 Estimates,\$ 30,000.00
 1924 Sup. Vote, 20,000.00
 \$ 50,000.00
 1924 Expenditure, ...\$ 52,092.66

(s.) Queen's Road, West, Improvements.—It was found impossible to proceed with this work during the year; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 1,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	—

(t.) Stubbs Road, surfacing for heavy traffic.—The sections of the road lying between Bowen Road and Wanchai Gap, and between Barker Road and Gough Hill were regraded, and strengthened with the addition of 4" tar macadam.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 20,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	100,000.00
	\$ 120,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 122,196.61

(u.) Road from Caine Road to Robinson Road.—It was decided not to proceed with this work; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 1,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	—

(v.) Island Road,—surfacing for heavy traffic between Aberdeen and Stanley.—This road was strengthened at various places to withstand the increasing vehicular traffic.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 100,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 97,184.14

(w.) Caine Road,—widening and raising to new levels between Arhuthnot Road and Aberdeen Street.—The property on I.L. 94, between Shelley and Peel Streets, was rebuilt to the new alignment enabling the footpath to be raised to the new levels.

It was impossible to complete this work, as the resumption of certain properties to admit of the widening was not completed.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 20,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 4,294.09

(a.) General Works.—The following is a brief description of the principal works carried out under this heading:—

The carriageway on the South of M. L. 52 was widened and surfaced with sand carpeting 2" thick, laid on a cement concrete foundation.

Consequent upon the erection of new buildings, kerbing and channelling operations were executed on the following roads, etc., the footpaths being paved and any necessary alterations in levels or alignment effected:—

Queen's Road, East,	Hollywood Road,
Pedder Street,	Peel Street,
Spring Garden Lane,	Street East of Queen's
Lee Tung Street,	Theatre,
Jervois Street,	Garden Road,
Bonham Strand, East,	A.I.Ls. 54, 52 & 43,
Second Street,	Wyndham Street,
Tai Yuen Street,	Kat On Street,
Praya East,	Third Street,
Des Vœux Road, Central,	Des Vœux Road, West,
Shaukiwan Road,	First Street,
Queen's Road, West,	Castle Road,
Robinson Road,	A.I.Ls. 33 & 34,
Hillier Street,	Rutter Street,
Shelley Street,	Stavely Street,
Wing Fung Street,	Tai Wong Street,
Pottinger Street,	Ship Street,
Caine Road,	Tai Wo Street,
S.I.L. 489, 490 & 491	A.I.Ls. 89, 58, & 83,
Sai Wan Ho,	I.L. 2204, Whitfield,
I.L. 2324, North Point,	A.I.Ls. 35, 37, 39, 43
Hill Road,	& 49,
Bridges Street,	High Street,
Watson Road,	Great George Street,
Star Street,	Wanchai Road.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 50,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	30,291.12
1924 Sup. Vote,	55,000.00
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	\$135,291.12
1924 Expenditure,	\$138,546.20

125. Quarry Workshop and Plant.—This was referred to in paragraph 124 of last year's Report.

Additional plant was installed to keep pace with the increasing demand on the Quarry for the various material manufactured.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 50,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 45,869.08

126. Portable Tar and Asphalt Mixer.—This plant did not arrive in time for the expenditure to be shewn in this year's accounts.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$15,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	Nil

127. Two 2-ton Motor Lorries.—Two additional 2-ton Dennis Motor Lorries were purchased to accelerate the haulage of material to the different works.

1924 Estimates,	\$16,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$14,614.20

128. Motor Roller 8 to 9 tons, for Asphaltum Works.—One motor roller was purchased for use on roads outside the City.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 7,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 6,384.64

129. Training Nullahs :—

(a). Conduit and Hatton Roads Development Scheme.—This work referred to in paragraph 121 (a.) of last year's Report was continued.

1924 Estimates.....	\$8,000.00
1924 Expenditure.....	\$3,107.79

(b). General Works.—Owing to the difficulty of obtaining satisfactory tenders, only a small amount of training work was done during the year. The following are the more important stream courses dealt with :—

Stream Courses.

Locality.	Position of stream course.	Length trained (in feet)	Remarks.
Wongneichong	S. E. of I.L. 2293	322' 0"	Completed.
Victoria Road	East of I.L. 2381	400' 0"	"
Sai Wau Gap Road..	West of S.I.L. 495	437' 0"	"
Sai Wan Bay Road..	South-east of Sai Wan Bay Road	454' 0"	"
Findlay Road	West of G.L. 59	234' 0"	"
Bay View	In roadway S.E. of I.L. 2273	120' 0"	"
Magazine Gap Road,	Near I.L. 2310	50' 0"	"
Stubbs Road	In approach road to I.L. 2388 from Wongneichong Road	831' 0"	"
do.	S. of I.L. 2383, Stubbs Road	200' 0"	"
do.	Between I.Ls. 2365 & 2354, South of Stubbs Road (above road) .....	...	Not completed.
Pokfulam Road.....	South-east of R.B.L. 203 Pokfulam Road .....	...	"
Whitfield	In roadway N. of I.L. 2301	...	"
Bowen Road	Diversion and training stream course South of I.L. 2365.....	...	"

1924 Estimates, \$20,000.00

1924 Sup. Vote, 5,500.00

\$25,500.00

1924 Expenditure, (from Government funds), \$19,463.95

1924 Expenditure, (contributions by various lessees), \$ 4,725.42

130. Miscellaneous Drainage Works :—

(a). Extending existing outfall from below Wanchai Gap to the sea at a point near Aberdeen.—This work, referred to in paragraph 122 (a.) of last year's Report, was completed at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,\$20,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....\$14,193.57

(b). Laying sewer in connection with Conduit and Hatton Roads Development Scheme.—This work, referred to in paragraph 122 (b.) of last year's Report, was not proceeded with during the year; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

(c). Shaukiwan Road.—Laying drain in connection with North Point Foreshore Development.—This work referred to in paragraph 122 (d) of last year's Report was continued.

1924 Estimates,\$20,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....\$ 6,314.69

(d). General Works.—Owing to receipt of unsatisfactory tenders, most of the 6" & 9" sewers, &c. were laid departmentally, the larger works being let by contract. The following are the most important stormwater drains and sewers which were laid during the year :—

Size.	Description.	Length in feet.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
6"	Sewer	1,865'0"	Pokfulam	R.B.L. 160 & adjacent lots	Completed
6"	"	1,520'6"	Barker Road	From Peak Tramway Terminus to a point opposite R.B.L. 97	"
6"	"	1,860'0"	Victoria Road	I.Ls. 2348, 2355 & 2357 to the sea	"
6"	"	2,160'0"	New Motor Road	From Wanchai Gap along Stubbs Road in the direction of Magazine Gap	"
6"	"	635'0"	Stubbs Road	From Stubbs Road to "Cadzow"	"
6"	"	395'0"	"	From Stubbs Road to R.B.L. 66	"
6"	"	1,297'0"	Bowen Road	From Bowen Road to R.B.L. 193	"
6"	"	691'0"	Sai Wan Ho	In scavenging lane at rear of S.I.Ls. 481 & 482	"

Size.	Description.	Length in feet.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
12"	Stormwater drain	180'0"	Praya East	In New Street on M.L. 43 from Praya East.	Completed
6"	Sewer	526'0"	" Villa Miramere "	From R.B.L. 194-217	"
6"	"	340'0"	Repulse Bay	From R.B.L. 200-182 & 183	"
6"	"	150'0"	Sai Wan Ho	In scavenging lane at rear of S.I.L. 496	"
9" & 15"	Stormwater drains	560'0"	" Le Calvaire "	In new Road East of "Le Calvaire"	"
9" & 6"	Sewers	422'0"	Aplichau	From A.I.Ls. 33 & 34 to the sea	"
6"	Sewer	175'0"	Sai Wan Ho	In scavenging lane at rear of S.I.L. 489	"
6"	"	520'0"	"Le Calvaire"	In new road East of "Le Calvaire"	"
6"	"	320'0"	Stubbs Road	From Stubbs Road to I.L. 2345, Wongneichong Gap Road	"
6"	"	103'0"	Gordon Road	From Gordon Road in lane at the side of I.L. 2166	"
6"	"	230'0"	Des Vœux Road	From Des Vœux Road to I.L. 2316	"
15"	"	40'0"	Percival Street	Extension of outfall at Praya	"
9"	"	836'0"	Happy Valley	From monument to I.L. 2388	"
6"	"	350'0"	Mt. Kellett	From R.B.L. 35 to R.B.L. 187	"
4"	"	717'0"	Bowen Road	From Bowen Road to R.B.L. 204	"
6"	"	135'0"	Kennedy Town	From I.L. 2169 to I.L. 2415	"
6"	"	80'0"	Po Yan Street	In Po Yan Street to I.L. 1221 Rutter Street	"
6"	"	50'0"	Leung I Fong	In Leung I Fong Lane to I.L. 685	"
6"	"	238'0"	Aplichau	From A.I.L. 34 to A.I.Ls. 40 & 41	"
6"	"	520'0"	Kennedy Town	In Sands Street from Rock Lane to I.L. 2263	"
6"	"	810'0"	Wongneichong	From I.L. 2293 to I.L. 2270	"
6"	"	220'0"	Aberdeen	In scavenging lane of A.I.L. 83	"
6"	"	246'0"	Aplichau	From near the sea wall to A.I.L. 32	"

Size.	Description.	Length in feet.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
6"	Sewer	250'0"	Wongneichong	From I.L. 1927 to I.L. 2454 in "Le Calvaire" Road	Completed.
6"	"	110'0"	Tai Hang	In School Street from Brown Street to Warren Street	"
6"	"	140'0"	Des Vœux Road,	In lane at the side of M.L. 366	"
9"	Stormwater drain	175'0"	Central	"	"
6"	Sewer	180'0"	Shaukiwan	In lane at the rear of S.I.L. 446, 447 & 448	"
6"	"	49'0"	Aplichau	In scavenging lane of A.I.L. 30	"
6"	"	500'0"	Mt. Davis	In path from Mt. Davis Road to Pokfulam Road	"
6"	"	840'0"	Whitfield	From Shaukiwan Road to I.L. 2407	"
6"	"	60'0"	"	In lane at rear of I.Ls. 1030-1033	"
6"	"	60'0"	"	In lane at rear of I.L. 1449	"
6"	"	200'0"	Bowen Road	Relaying sewer near I.L. 2237	"
6"	"	1,050'0"	Pokfulam Road	From I.L. 2303 to I.L. 2380	"
...	Extension of Septic Tank System Sewers	...	Repulse Bay	Construction of 2 additional units	"
24", 21" & 18"	Sewer	...	Shaukiwan Road	From Watson Road outfall to Tai Hang	Not Completed.
6"	Sewer	...	Mt. Davis to Sandy Bay	Between I.L. 2090 and Sand Bay	"
...	Septic Tank and filter	...	Deep Water Bay	Deep Water Bay	"
6"	Sewer	...	Pokfulam Road	From R.B.L. 218 to R.B.L. 234	"
6"	"	...	Mt. Cameron	From 9" main sewer to R.B.Ls. 237 & 247	"
9"	"	...	Pokfulam	Below No. 8 Bridge	"
30" & 15"	Stormwater drains	...	Tung Lo Wan	From I.L. 2355 to I.L. 1583	"
6"	Sewer	...	Repulse Bay	From 9" main sewer to the Bridge West of R.B.L. 182	"
6"	"	...	Sai Wan Ho	At the side and rear of S.I.L. 10	"
6"	"	...	Shaukiwan East	In lane at the rear of S.I.Ls. 514 & 516	"
6"	"	...	Causeway Bay	In lane at the rear of I.L. 782 R.P.	"

The number of drain connections was 243.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 35,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	47,454.27
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	\$ 82,454.27
1924 Expenditure (from Government funds)	82,831.74
1924 Expenditure (contributions by various lessees),	\$ 19,189.97

In conjunction with the Roads Office, a considerable number of new gullies with flat gully gratings was constructed and connected to the stormwater drainage system.

131. Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903,—Compensation and Resumptions.—This vote provided for the resumption of areas required in connection with street widening and improvement schemes, new roads, the development of village areas, the removal of riding floors, and the provision of scavenging lanes under the provisions of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance: it also provided for the resumption of several properties required by Government for special purposes including I.L. 637 for the New Saiyingpun Market, and Nos. 1-10, Queen's Gardens for Government Quarters. The resumptions debited to this vote are shown on page 46 to 58 and amounted to a total figure of \$1,817,878.10.

The sums of \$16,969.94 for road surfacing and the rebuilding of retaining walls, etc., in portions of roads and streets where widening was effected, and \$3,339.59 paid to the Tung Wah Hospital for the removal of remains from I.L. 1718 to Aplichau were also debited to this vote.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 50,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	1,500,409.28
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	\$1,550,409.28
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1924 Expenditure approved,...	\$1,838,187.63
Less Amounts refunded and sundry credits,	2,053.58
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Net expenditure,.....	\$1,836,134.05
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132. Eastern District Filter Beds, etc.—This work was referred to in paragraph 139 of last year's Report.

During the year the laying of the 18" C.I. Raw Water Main, 540 yards in length, from the Tunnel mouth to the New Gauge Basin, was completed.

The New Gauge Basin and pipes to the upper tier of beds were completed in March and the upper tier of beds was practically finished by November, 4 beds being brought into use in December.

Part of the 18" Bypass Main around the Reservoir has been laid, as well as a temporary 12" main connecting the existing 12" main to Happy Valley.

The concrete walls and invert to the lower tier of beds were practically completed, and about half the coping fixed, by the end of the year. About half of the excavation for the Reservoir has been removed, and a commencement made with the concrete foundations of the North wall. A length of 1,000 feet of 18" C.I. main has been laid at Wongneichong Village in connection with this Scheme.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$100,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	\$575,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$	96,702.35	|	Total Expenditure, \$	229,062.64

133. Taitam Tuk Scheme,-Additional Pumping Plant.—

(a). Engine House and Foundations.

(b). Engine and Boiler.

This work was referred to in paragraph 140 of last year's Report.

Contract No. 31 of 1924 for the extension of the Pump Pit was signed in June with Mr. Ng Wah, and was completed in December.

Contract No. 40 of 1924 for the Extensions to the Engine and Boiler Houses was signed in November with Mr. Ng Wah. Good progress was made by the end of the year.

(a). 1924 Estimates, \$	50,000.00	|	Total Estimates, \$	70,000.00
1924 Expenditure, 16,472.77		|	Total Expenditure, \$	20,107.06

(b). 1924 Estimates, \$	200,000.00	|	Total Estimates, \$	270,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$	275.23	|	Total Expenditure, \$	2,945.16

134. Stanley Mound East, Catchwater.—This work was referred to in paragraph 142 of last year's Report.

By the end of the year a length of about 7,000 feet of catchwater has been practically completed and was effective in adding 300 acres to the drainage area of Taitam Tuk Reservoir.

The excavation for the remaining length of 5,000 feet was about two-thirds completed at the close of the year.

1924 Estimates, ...\$ 80,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...\$170,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 76,111.51		Total Expenditure to 31.12.24, .....\$122,819.05

135. Mount Parker East, Catchwater.—This work was referred to in paragraph 143 of last year's Report.

A commencement was made with the survey for this work, but owing to pressure of other schemes further progress was not possible.

1924 Estimates, ...\$ 50,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...\$110,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 96.12		Total Expenditure, \$ 96.12

136. Violet Hill (only half area), Catchwater.—This work was referred to in paragraph 144 of last year's Report.

After making a detailed inspection of the site during the preliminary survey, it was found that the cost of this work would be rather prohibitive and the scheme has consequently been abandoned.

1924 Estimates, ...\$10,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ... \$95,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ... 40,000.00		
	|	Total Expenditure
\$50,000.00*		to 31.12.24, \$ 589.35
1924 Expenditure, \$ 561.15		

* Incorporated with P. W. E. 56.

137. Stanley Mound West, Catchwater.—This work was referred to in paragraph 145 of last year's Report.

By the end of the year, a length of about 3,000 feet of catchwater has been completed to overflow level, and a further length of 2,000 feet excavated to formation level, while the excavation of the remaining part of the Catchwater has reached footpath level. A considerable amount of rock was encountered retarding the progress of the work. During the second half of the year, good progress was made and the work has since been advancing more rapidly.

1924 Estimates, ...\$10,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ... \$95,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ... 40,000.00		
	|	Total Expenditure, \$ 20,471.77
\$50,000.00*		
1924 Expenditure, \$14,473.24		

* Incorporated with P. W. E. 55.

138. Jardine's Lookout, Catchwater.—This work was referred to in paragraph 146 of last year's Report.

Progress has been very slow, but by the end of the year a length of about 6,700 feet of the catchwater has been completed and the remaining 600 lin. feet excavated ready for concreting.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 15,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	\$ 30,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	11,000.00			
	\$ 26,000.00	|	Total Expenditure, \$	27,534.45
1924 Expenditure, \$	23,523.27			

139. New Workshop and Plant.—This item was referred to in paragraph 148 of last year's Report.

This work, which was carried out by Mr. Ng Wah under the Maintenance Contract, was commenced in June and completed by the end of the year. The extension will add 2,300 square feet of floor space to the Workshop.

The following machines were added to the Workshop during the year :—

One 10' 0" sliding surfacing and screw cutting lathe manufactured by Messrs. John Lang and Sons, Ltd., Johustone.

One Double Belt Type Planing Machine with self-contained countershaft to plane 8' 0" x 3' 0", manufactured by the Selson Engineering Company, London.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 5,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	—
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	4,000.00			
	\$ 9,000.00	|	Total Expenditure, \$	38,946.58
1924 Expenditure, \$	8,839.23			

140. Repulse Bay Water Supply, Extended Scheme.—This work was referred to in paragraph 150 of last year's Report.

Little work was done under this scheme during the year, as the development in this district was not sufficient to justify further extension of the existing system.

An extension of 900 lineal feet of 3" W. I. pipe to R. B. L. 182 and district was laid in July.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$ 5,000.00	|	Total Estimates,.....	\$ 21,000.00
1924 Expenditure,..	\$ 1,926.15			
		|	Total Expenditure,...	\$ 7,953.40

141. Lowering Water Mains in City to give better Cover.—The work done under this Vote was only of a minor importance.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 8,000.00	|	Total Estimates,	—
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 1,459.35	|	Total Expenditure,...	\$ 1,692.14

142. Mount Cameron Development,—Temporary arrangements for water supply (not including distribution service)—This work was referred to in paragraph 152 of last year's Report.

During the year a line of 3" W. I. pipe, 4,200 feet in length, was laid from the Peak system along the new path from Wanchai Gap leading to R. B. L. 237, but so far little development has taken place.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 4,000.00	|	Total Estimates,.....	—
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 2,694.75	|	Total Expenditure,..	\$ 4,563.90

143. Bunkers, Taitam Tuk Pumping Station.—This work was referred to in paragraph 153 of last year's Report.

No work has been carried out in connection with coal bunkers as work on the Extensions to the Pumping Station was in progress.

No expenditure was incurred during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 15,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	Nil

144. New Rising Main to 750 foot Tank (9")—This work was referred to in paragraph 155 of last year's Report.

The laying of the new 8" wrought iron pipes with screwed on flanges was commenced, completed, and in use in July. About 2,300 lin. feet of 8" W.I. piping was laid.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 10,000.00	|	Total Estimates,.....	\$ 30,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	6,000.00	|		
	\$ 16,000.00	|		
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 4,722.08	|	Total Expenditure,..	\$ 16,015.21

145. Conduit and Hatton Roads Development Scheme:—

(a). Diverting Peak Pumping Main.

(b). Diverting Distribution Main.

This work was referred to in paragraph 156 of last year's Report.

The progress depended entirely on the advancement made in the construction of the new road.

By the end of the year,—

(a). The diversion of the Peak Pumping Main was completed.

(b). The diversion of the Distribution Mains was practically finished.

1924 Estimates, ...\$5,000.00	Total Estimates,.....\$9,000.00
(a). 1924 Expenditure,\$ 396.05	Total Expenditure,..\$2,280.67
(b). 1924 Expenditure,\$3,660.65	Total Expenditure,..\$4,846.57

146. New Principal Water Mains in the City of Victoria.—

During the past few years the City consumption has increased greatly, and the existing principal mains were found to be inadequate to maintain a full supply during the Summer months. It was, therefore, decided to lay a 15" Cast Iron Main throughout the Central and Eastern Districts of the City. The portion from Jardine's Bazaar to Tin Lok Lane has been laid and put into operation, and a further 1½ miles of 15" C. I. pipes have been received from England. Owing to pressure of other work it was not possible to lay them by the end of the year. A 6" main 3,400 lin. feet was laid in Wongneichong Road round the East side of Happy Valley.

A temporary Cast Iron main, partly 10" and partly 12" in diameter, was laid from the Monument at Happy Valley to the Praya at Bowrington via Canal Road West, a distance of 2,000 feet. This main will remain in use until the removal of Morrison Hill is effected when the permanent 18" C. I. main will be laid on the new alignment.

1924 Estimates,	\$75,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$55,394.85

147. Taitam Tuk East Catchwater, (1st Section).—The surveys and contract drawings were commenced, but owing to pressure of other work it was not found possible to let the contract during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$50,000.00	Total Estimates,...	\$130,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 663.26	Total Expenditure,...	\$ 663.26

148. Shek-O Water Supply.—No work has been carried out in connection with this scheme, as the development at Shek-O has not advanced sufficiently to justify a water supply.

The whole scheme has been prepared and will be proceeded with in the early part of 1925.

No expenditure has been incurred during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$55,000.00	| Total Estimates,	\$75,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	Nil	| Total Expenditure,	Nil

149. Miscellaneous Water Works.—The following is a statement of the expenditure on the work carried out under this heading :—

(1). Alterations to the Peak Rising Main,	\$ 3,430.91
(2). Laying 8" main in Leighton Hill Road,	2,621.30
(3). Pedestal Hydrants,	3,590.25
(4). Minor extensions to mains,	1,049.24
(5). Unforeseen Works,	19,316.76
	Total,
	\$ 30,008.46

- (1). A new steel distribution box was fixed to the Peak rising mains near the Pokfulum Road Pumping Station.
- (2). 1,000 feet of 8" C. I. Main was laid along Leighton Hill Road from Canal Road, West, to Percival Street.
- (3). 18 Pedestal Hydrants of an approved pattern have been fixed to mains of 6" diameter and over.
- (4). Minor extensions to mains included the laying of 1,000 lin. ft. of 4" W. I. pipe in Plantation Road from the Peak Club to "Redhill", and 1,600 lin. ft. of 3" C. I. pipe in the new street behind "Le Calvaire" (not completed by the end of the year).
- (5). Unforeseen Works included the completion of the new distribution mains at Kennedy Town referred to in last year's Report.
Four Patersons' Chlorinomes were obtained together with the necessary chlorine in cylinders. One of them has been erected at the Albany Filter Beds and another at the Elliot Beds.

150. Chinese Cemeteries.—Laying out of new areas.—The work carried out under this heading has been alluded to in paragraph 37 of this report.

1924 Estimates,	\$3,500.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$3,338.30

151. Cape D' Aguilar Wireless Station.—Erection of Quarters for Officers.—Under this vote, work was commenced in connection with the following :—

- (a). Bungalow for Superintendent of Wireless;
- (b). Workshop;
- (c). Renovation of Old Quarters.

A contract for this work was let to Messrs. Tak Hing & Co. in July.

- (a). is a brick building containing 2 Living Rooms, 2 bedrooms with bath-rooms together with the usual offices and servants' Quarters.
- (b). is a long building divided into 3 compartments being constructed of brick walling and reinforced concrete roof.
- (c). The renovation of old quarters was completed at the close of the year, while (a) and (b) were well advanced.

1924 Estimates,	\$25,000.00	Total Estimates,
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	12,000.00		
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	\$37,000.00	Expenditure, to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$16,278.35	31.12.24,	\$16,278.35

152. Cape D'Aguilar.—During the year, two new lattice steel masts were erected at Cape D'Aguilar Wireless Telegraph Station to replace those blown down in the Typhoon of 1923.

A new receiving gear was also installed there.

A continuous service was maintained, and a marked increase in the number of messages handled is evidenced from the following figures:—

	<i>Forwarded.</i>	<i>Received.</i>
1922.....	2,964	7,865
1923.....	3,469	8,066
1924.....	11,242	12,473

153. Observatory.—The wireless service of this Station was taken over during the year. New receiving gear has been installed enabling European time signals to be obtained.

154. Wireless Telegraph School.—A School for training Wireless Telegraph Operators was inaugurated during the year, and about 20 students were enrolled, 75% of whom have turned out successful.

155. General Post Office, Radio Room.—A small $\frac{1}{4}$ K. W. emergency set has been installed, and the Radio Room enlarged. Facilities for the reception of telegrams during the night were provided.

156. New Works.—During the year, the undermentioned schemes were approved and plans and specifications prepared:—

- (1). Installation of a 6 K. W. Valve Transmitter at Cape D'Aguilar.

- (2). Installation of a $1\frac{1}{2}$ K. W. Valve Transmitter at the General Post Office.
- (3). Laying of an underground cable to Cape D'Aguiar, via Shek O.
- (4). Provision of a meter transformer for power supply to Cape D'Aguiar.
- (5). Wireless Installation at the Water Police Station, Tsim Sha Tsui.
- " " " " Cheung Chau Police Station.
- " " " " on the Rescue Tug.
- " " " " Police Patrol Launches.
- " " " " at the Harbour Office.
- " " " " Waglan Light House.

The above works will involve a total expenditure of about \$200,000.00.

Praya East Reclamation Scheme.

157. Drainage.—The work of re-drainage of the existing developed area between Arsenal Street, Causeway Bay, Queen's Road and the Existing Praya rendered necessary by the Praya East Scheme was continued during the year.

The following sewers were completed:—

- 12" in Tai Woo Street; 6" and 9" in Wanchai Road;
- 12" in Jardine's Bazaar; 6" in Cross Street;
- 18" in Praya East, Percival Street to Jardine's Bazaar;
- 9" North of Wanchai Market; 12" in Praya East;
- 9" Spring Garden Lane, 9" and 6" in Burrows Street and Cross Lane.

The following storm-water drains were completed:—

- 33" and 72" dia. culverts, Wanchai Road;
- 48" and 60" dia. culverts, Recreation Grounds, Happy Valley;
- 42" dia. culvert, Spring Garden Lane;
- 24" dia. culvert, Bullock Lane and Cross Lane;
- 12" storm water drain to Tai Woo Street;
- 9" storm water drain North of Wanchai Market;
- 15" and 12" storm water drains in Cross Lane;
- 9" storm water drain to Triangle Street.

158. Improvements at Arsenal Street,—Resumption and alteration of buildings.—This item was referred to in paragraph 159 (b) of last year's Report. The necessary resumptions had not been effected at the end of the year and no expenditure was incurred during the year.

PUBLIC WORKS EXTRAORDINARY

KOWLOON.

159. Kowloon Hospital.—This work was referred to in paragraph 160 of last year's Report.

Progress on the preparation of the site was slower than during 1923 owing to rock being encountered and, as a result, the buildings were somewhat delayed, especially the Native Block.

By the end of the year, the Administration and Kitchen Blocks, the Sisters', Medical Officers' and Servants' Quarters were practically completed except the tiling and fittings.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$200,000.00	Total Estimates,	\$554,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	150,000.00		
	\$350,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure,	\$267,180.48	31.12.24,	\$438,013.07

160. New Police Station, Yaumati.—Nothing remained to be done during the year, except the settlement of payments due under the contract.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$20,000.00	Total Estimates,	\$250,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	10,000.00		
	\$30,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure,	\$28,200.67	31.12.24,.....	\$267,551.05

161. Police Station, Mongkoktsui.—This work was referred to in paragraph 162 of last year's Report.

The sum included in the Estimates was for the payment of the Retention Money but as payment was effected in December, 1923, there was consequently no expenditure to be recorded.

162. Mutankok Slaughter House, Inspectors' Quarters.—This work was referred to in paragraph 163 of last year's Report.

These quarters provide a Dining and Living Rooms, with a Pantry, amah's and wash rooms on the ground floor; on the 1st floor there are 3 bed-rooms with 2 bath-rooms. At the rear in a detached building are located the Kitchen and Servants' Quarters.

A contract for the above was let in April to Messrs. Yee Lee & Co.

By the end of the year, though considerable delay has arisen through non-delivery of bricks, the shell of the Building was nearly completed.

1924 Estimates, ... \$10,000.00	Total Estimates, \$20,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, 10,600.00	
\$20,600.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, \$ 4,807.91	31.12.24, \$ 4,807.91

163. Monakoktsui, New Market.—This work was referred to in paragraph 164 of last year's Report.

Fair progress was made upon the completion of the piling of the foundations, and by the end of the year 1 section was completed and the other well advanced.

1924 Estimates, ... \$21,000.00	Total Estimates, ... \$18,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ... 2,000.00	
\$23,000.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, \$ 4,200.50	31.12.24, \$ 4,200.50

164. Quarters for Scavenging coolies at Yauwati.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work ; there was consequently no expenditure incurred.

1924 Estimates, \$5,000.00	Total Estimates, ... \$75,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	Expenditure to
	31.12.24,

165. Trough Closet at Kowloon City.—Resumption negotiations not having been completed, it was not found possible to proceed with this work ; consequently no expenditure was incurred under this heading.

1924 Estimates, \$10,000.00	Total Estimates, ... \$12,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	Expenditure to
	31.12.24,

166. Additional Cattle Shed, Matakok.—This work was referred to in paragraph 169 of last year's Report.

On the scheme for the abattoir at Taikoktsui being put forward, it was suggested that this additional shed could with more advantage be provided at Matakok, consequently there was no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates, \$ 9,000.00	Total Estimates, ... \$ 10,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	Expenditure to
	31.12.24,

167. Open Market,—Bowring Street.—This work was referred to in paragraph 170 of last year's Report.

By the end of the year, the Market was nearly completed, and there remained only the finishing touches to be made and the connection to the drainage system effected.

1924 Estimates, ...\$ 29,500.00	Total Estimates,... ..\$ 34,500.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 23,451.40	Expenditure to 31.12.24,.....\$ 29,652.96

168. Public Latrines and Urinals.—The following conveniences were put in hand and contracts let :—

- (a). At Shek Shan, Kowloon City Road—Trough Closet, June, 1923.
- (b). Pak Hoi Street, — Trough Closet with Bath-house over, October, 1923.
- (c). Ivy Street,—Trough Closet, October, 1923.
- (d). Man Ming Lane,—Trough Closet, August, 1924.
- (e). Junction of Austin Avenue and Kimberley Road, Urinal, October, 1924.

(a), (b) and (c) were described in paragraph 172 of last year's Report.

(d) is a convenience of the latest improved type with 26 seats (20 men and 6 women).

(e) is a small flush urinal to serve the ricksha coolies who congregate at this point.

- (a) was completed by end of June.
- (b) The Trough Closet section was nearing completion by end of the year, whilst the bath-house was well advanced.
- (c) was completed by the end of the year.
- (d) Foundations were in, and brickwork has been commenced by end of the year.
- (e) This was nearing completion by end of the year.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 40,000.00	Total Estimates, ... —
1924 Sup. Vote, ... 34,500.00	
\$ 74,500.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,...\$ 32,561.75	31.12.24,\$ 39,956.54

169. Dust Station at Pitt Street, Mongkoktsui.—This pier, of two bays of rolled steel joists bearing a reinforced concrete deck, is supplied with a frame at its outer end supporting a hinged shoot which is raised and lowered by means of block and tackle. The entrance from Pitt Street is enclosed by a brick screen wall provided with sliding gates.

A contract for this work, was let to Messrs. Kin Lee & Co. in December, 1923.

Work on the steel structure progressed slowly, but, by the close of the year, the pier was satisfactorily finished and handed over to the Sanitary Department.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 3,200.00	Total Estimates,.....	\$ 3,200.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	\$ 2,000.00		
	\$ 5,200.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 3,967.26	31.12.24,.....	\$ 3,967.26

170. Quarters for Revenue Officers,—Yaumati.—It was not possible to commence this work during the year; consequently there was no expenditure incurred.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 5,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$ 20,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	—	Expenditure to	
		31.12.24,	—

171. To Kwa Wan Market, 16 stalls for beef, pork, fish and poultry.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work during the year; consequently there was no expenditure recorded under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 1,000.00	Total Estimates,.....	\$16,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	14,000.00		
	\$15,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure,...	...	31.12.24,.....	...

172. Enlargement of Vegetable Lan, Waterloo Road.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work during the year; consequently no expenditure was incurred under this heading.

It was suggested that this might well be incorporated in the proposed Retail Market to be constructed near this site.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 1,200.00	Total Estimates,.....	\$1,200.00
1924 Expenditure,...	...	Expenditure to	
		31.12.24,.....	...

173. Slaughter House at Taikoktsui.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 5,000.00	Total Estimates,.....	\$12,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	25,000.00		
	\$30,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure,...	...	31.12.24, .....	...

174. Extension of Stabling at the Kowloon Disinfecting Station, garage and arrangement of workshop. It was not found possible, owing to the development of the whole area at the Kowloon Disinfecting Station being under consideration, to proceed with this work during the year; consequently there was no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 1,000.00	|	Total Estimates,.....\$ 9,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,..... 13,000.00		
\$14,000.00	|	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,		31.12.24,

175. Hungghom Market, Extension, -12 fish stalls with tanks.—Plans were prepared and tenders called for; but as the prices quoted were too high, it was not found advisable to proceed with this work; consequently there was no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 2,000.00	|	Total Estimates,.....\$12,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, 8,000.00		
\$10,000.00	|	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,		31.12.24,

176. Closed Market, 130 stalls to replace the old market, Yaumati.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work; consequently there was no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 1,000.00	|	Total Estimates,.....\$..
1924 Sup. Vote,..... 11,000.00		
\$12,000.00	|	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,		31.12.24,

177. Workshop and Quarters for Electrical and Telephone Staff.—There was no expenditure under this heading. The necessary plans and contract documents, however, were prepared to enable the contract for the building being let early in 1925.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 10,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	Nil

178. Furniture for Government Offices and Quarters.—3 sets of furniture were supplied under this vote, and a number of single items was furnished to various Quarters.

Articles of furniture were also supplied to Government Schools, Police Stations, etc., as requested. Repairs to furniture were carried out as required.

1924 Estimates, ...\$ 12,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...\$ —
1924 Expenditure, \$ 10,930.12		Expenditure to 31.12.24,\$ 16,179.59

179. Roads :—

(a). Main Roads in Kowloon :—

Chatham Road Extension, from Hunghom Northwards to Kowloon City.—This work was referred to in paragraph 173 (a) of last year's Report.

Progress at the beginning of the year was slow, but the work on the Northern Section proceeded more rapidly as the year advanced.

1924 Estimates,....\$ 100,000.00	|	Total Estimates,....\$ —
1924 Sup. Vote,.... 94,000.00		Expenditure to 31.12.24,\$ 110,308.10
\$ 194,000.00		
1924 Expenditure, \$ 78,389.42		

Kowloon City to Mongkok :—

Section II— West of Railway Embankment to Shanghai Street, Mon-koktsui.—This work was referred to in paragraph 173 (a) of last year's Report.

During the year good progress was made despite the large quantity of rock met with.

By the end of the year, this work was well advanced.

Extending Coronation Road Northwards through hill (formerly K. F. L. 11.)—This work was referred to in paragraph 173 (a) of last year's Report.

This stretch of the road from Argyle Street to its junction with the Tai-po Road was surfaced with 8" macadam and tar painted.

(b). Improvements to existing main roads :—

Diverting a portion of the existing roadway in the vicinity of the New Kowloon Hospital Site to the new alignment.—This work was referred to in paragraph 173 (b) of last year's Report.

Good progress was maintained throughout the year, 56,800 e. yards of earth being cut and removed for the necessary filling at Matauchung.

Chatham Road, from the Bridge over the Railway to Cooke Street, was surfaced to its full width with 4" macadam and tar-painted.

Most of the improvements proposed were held over pending further consideration of the Tramway scheme.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 50,000.00	Total Estimates,	
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	50,000.00		
	\$ 100,000.00	Expenditure, to	
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 14,108.71	31.12.24,	\$ 55,097.37

(c). Waterloo Road Extension (100-feet wide) Section between Waterloo Road and the Kowloon Boundary (estimate for 50-foot width).—This work was referred to in paragraph 173 (c) of last year's Report.

Work was maintained at a satisfactory rate of progress, but as the hill has been cut through and access effected, it was not necessary to push this work further; the labour was, therefore, diverted to more urgent works.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 6,000.00	Total Estimates,	\$ 30,000.00
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 4,750.34	Expenditure, to	
		31.12.24,	\$ 25,270.80

(d). To Kwa Wan Road (100-feet wide) Section between Kowloon City Road and K.M.L. 90, (estimate for 50-foot width).—This work was referred to in paragraph 173 (d) of last year's Report.

Good progress was maintained throughout the year, by the end of which an area of 366,000 sq. ft. had been cut to formation level and 75,000 e. yds. of material removed from the line of road.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 200,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$ 297,000.00
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 126,730.11	Expenditure, to	
		31.12.24,	\$ 171,339.97

(e). Argyle Street,—Extension to its junction with Waterloo Road.—This work was referred to in paragraph 173 (e) of last year's Report.

Slow progress was made during the year and at the end thereof it was deemed reasonable to allow the Contractor an extra amount on his price for the excavation owing to the large quantity of bed rock met with.

1924 Estimates,\$ 42,000.00	Total Estimates,.....\$ 60,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...\$ 3,500.00	Expenditure, to 31.12.24,\$ 14,641.94

(f). New Road through King's Park and Cemetery Areas, Homuntin,—Formation of 30 foot width and Bridge over Railway 60 feet wide.—This work was commenced at the beginning of the year, and satisfactory progress maintained.

The cutting and filling was completed from Gascoigne Road to the Railway, about 27,000 cubic yards of material being excavated. The reinforced concrete bridge over the nullah was also erected.

No work, however, was started on the 60 foot bridge over the Railway.

1924 Estimates,	\$50,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$19,823.07

(g). Laying Tramways.—The question of laying Tramways was under consideration and the proposal finally abandoned. No work was, therefore, done under this heading.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 25,000.00
1924 Sup: Vote,	97,000.00
	\$122,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 2,412.69

(h). General Works.—The following is a brief statement of the principal works carried out under this heading :—

The undermentioned roads were macadamised, kerbed, and channelled, the footpaths being paved with granolithic slabs and

necessary improvements made in front of new buildings erected during the year :—

Laichikok (Boundary Street to Shanghai Street),	Wuhu Street,
Kowloon City Road.	Shantung Street,
Canton Road,	Temple Street,
Jordan Road,	Parkes Street,
Reclamation Street,	Granville Road,
Woosung Street,	Salisbury Road,
Pitt Street,	Dundas Street,
Nathan Road,	Shanghai Street,
Winslow Street,	Hung Hom—Kowloon City Road,
Coronation Road,	Ivy Street,
Battery Street,	Portland Street,
Chi Wo Street,	Public Square Street,
	Carnarvon Road.

Shanghai, Woosung and Reclamation Streets were also raised to the approved levels.

1924 Estimates,	\$50,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	\$4,950.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	\$61,000.00
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	\$154,950.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$137,692.31

180. Providing plant and opening out Quarry at Taikoktsui.—

The only expenditure incurred during the year in this connection was for two 2½-ton Dennis Lorries.

1924 Estimates,	\$75,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$14,591.00

181. Kowloon Bay West Reclamation, 1st Section,-- Area between New Reclamation line and Kowloon City Road and between San Shan and the proposed 100-foot road containing the Matauchung Nullah.—This work was referred to in paragraph 177 of last year's Report.

Fair progress was made, after a slow start, with the depositing of the rubble in the mound. By the end of the year, 25,000 cu. yds. has been dumped.

1924 Estimates,.....\$50,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$
1924 Expenditure, \$47,878.50	Expenditure to 31.12.24, .....\$47,878.50

182. Training Nullahs:—

(a). Mongkoktsui Nullah East, Extension through Railway Bridge.— This work was referred to in paragraph 174 (a) of last year's Report.

Good progress was maintained throughout the year. Piling for the foundations was completed by the end of the year and walling for 650 l. ft. was built and the concrete invert put down.

1924 Estimates, ...\$50,000.00	Total Estimates, \$120,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$39,020.46	Expenditure to 31.12.24, .....\$117,649.45

(b). Waterloo Road Nullah,—Extension to Temple.— This work was referred to in paragraph 174 (b) of last year's Report.

Good progress was maintained, the branch connection, and the extension in open channel being completed early in the year.

1924 Estimates,.....\$16,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$48,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 8,809.40	Expenditure to 31.12.24, .....\$41,152.35

(c). Matauchung, training and diverting main stream-course.— This work was referred to in paragraph 174 (c) of last year's Report.

There was no necessity to commence this work until the end of the year, when a little excavation work for foundations was undertaken, no payment being made under this heading.

1924 Estimates, ...\$10,000.00	Total Estimates, ... \$
1924 Sup. Vote, ... 40,000.00	
\$50,000.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,	31.12.24. ....\$50,969.13

(d). Homuntin District, —Training stream-course in new Cemetery Areas.—This work, referred to in paragraph 174 (d) of last year's Report, was not proceeded with during the year; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 1,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	9,000.00
	\$10,000.00

1924 Expenditure,..... Nil

(e). General Works.—The nullah North-west of K.I.L. 1150 was extended in culvert form to Kowloon City Road.

To combat mosquito breeding, a considerable amount of trenching was carried out in Kowloon, South of Boundary Street between the Railway and Kowloon City.

1924 Estimates,	\$10,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 9,395.81

183. Miscellaneous Drainage Works :—

(a). Matauchung District, stormwater drainage.—This work, referred to in paragraph 175 (a) of last year's Report, was not proceeded with during the year; there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

(b). Main sewer from Fuk Tsun-heung to Kaulung Tong, East of the Railway.—This work was commenced.

(c). Kaulung Tong Old Village Area, Main storm-water drain to Mongkoktsui Nullah.—This work was not proceeded with during the year; there was consequently no expenditure incurred.

(d). Waterloo Road Extension, storm-water drainage.—This work was not proceeded with during the year; no expenditure was in consequence incurred.

(e). General Works.—Owing to unsatisfactory tenders, most of the 6" and 9" Sewers, etc., were laid departmentally, the larger works being let by contract. The following are the most

important stormwater drains and sewers which were laid during the year :—

Size.	Description.	Length in ft.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
21" 18" & 15"	S.W. drains	1,176' 0"	Haughom	S.W. of H.H.I Ls. 235 to 241 from Gillies Avenue to Chatham Road	Completed
6"	Sewer	389' 0"	Public Square Street	From Temple Street to K.I.L. 1405	"
9" & 6"	"	329' 0"	Mataukok	From K.I.L. 640 to 1445.....	"
6"	"	235' 0"	Portland Street	In scavenging lane of K.I.L. 752 between Waterloo Road and Pitt Street	"
6"	"	224' 0"	"	In scavenging lane of K.I.L. 753 between Waterloo Road and Pitt Street	"
6"	"	57' 0"	Pitt Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1139...	"
9"	"	373' 0"	Middle Road	Between Hankow and Nathan Roads.....	"
6"	"	186' 0"	Portland Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 759 ...	"
6"	"	62' 0"	"	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 760 ...	"
6"	"	67' 0"	Shek Lung Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 748 ...	"
6"	"	212' 0"	Temple Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1355 Temple and Market Streets.....	"
6"	"	100' 0"	Battery Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1557...	"
6"	"	101' 0"	Ningpo Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 311 and 327	"
6"	"	52' 0"	Shanghai Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 156 and 157	"
6"	"	152' 0"	Laichikok Road	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1563...	"
6"	"	230' 0"	Jordan Road	In Jordan Road to K.M.L. 49	"
6"	"	110' 0"	Ivy Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1420...	"

Size.	Description.	Length in ft.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
6"	Sewer	316' 0"	Fife Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1097...	Completed.
6"	"	91' 0"	Hok Un	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1582..	
6"	"	75' 0"	"	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1512...	"
6"	"	94' 0"	Hunghom	Diversion of sewer at H.H.I.L. 260	"
9"	"	260' 0"	Shantung Street	In Shantung Street to K.I.L. 1569	"
6"	"	214' 0"	Mongkok	In scavenging lane between K.I.Ls. 441 and 445	"
6"	"	90' 0"	Shanghai Street	In Shanghai Street opposite Magistracy ...	"
6"	"	80' 0"	Hunghom	In scavenging lane at rear of H.H.I.L. 260	"
6"	"	620' 0"	Shanghai Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 1604 to 1633	"
6"	"	161' 0"	Lo Lung Hang	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1527...	"
6"	"	130' 0"	Argyle Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 1532 to 1534	"
6"	"	294' 0"	Laichikok Road.	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1635...	"
6"	"	88' 0"	Reclamation Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1100...	"
6"	"	59' 0"	Man Ming Lane	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 161 and 162	"
6"	"	191' 0"	Saigon Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 242 and 249	"
6"	"	290' 0"	Dundas Street	In Dundas Street and in scavenging lanes of K.I.Ls. 1520 and 1424.....	"
6"	"	.....	Hong Lok Street	At rear of K.I.L. 1103.....	"
6"	"	316' 0"	Reclamation Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 446 ...	"
6"	"	112' 0"	Ningpo Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 208 ...	"
6"	"	109' 0"	Arthur Street	In Arthur Street at rear of K.I.L. 1092...	"
6"	"	279' 0"	Hong Lok Street	In Hong Lok Street at rear of K.I.L. 1103...	"

Size.	Description.	Length in ft.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
6"	Sewer	121' 0"	Ningpo Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 302 and 303	Completed.
6"	"	155' 0"	Yunnan Lane	In Yunnan Lane at rear of K.I.L. 177 ..	"
6"	"	56' 0"	Waterloo Road	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 755 ..	"
6"	"	121' 0"	Ningpo Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 298 to 300	"
6"	"	247' 0"	Matauchung	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.L. 1575...	"
6"	"	109' 0"	Hing Lung Lane	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 148 to 154	"
6"	"	147' 0"	Chang Sha Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K.I.Ls. 713 and 714	"
6"	"	90' 0"	Nelson Street	In scavenging lane at rear of K I L. 958	"
6"	"	83' 0"	Shantung Street	From Shantung Street to scavenging lane of K.I.L. 1569	"
6"	"	56' 0"	Shantung Street	In scavenging lane of K.I.L. 1569	"
6"	"	.....	Hok Un	In street West of K.I.L. 1463	Not Completed.
39" 36"	Stormwater drains	.....	Taikoktsui.	From K.M.L. 26 to Harbour of Refuge...	"
33" 15"					
15" & 6"	Sewer	.....	Hok Un	From K.M.L. 53 to K.I.L. 1512	"
27" & 24"	Stormwater drains	.....	Shantung Street	From Coronation Road Eastward.....	"
24"	"	.....	Argyle Street	From Argyle Street to Mongkok Village ...	"
27"	"	.....	Nelson Street	From Coronation Road Eastward.....	"
27" 21" 18"	"	.....	Laichikok Road	From old boundary to K.I.L. 1635	"

The number of drain connections made was 720.

1924 Estimates,\$30,000.00

1924 Sup. Vote, 20,400.00

\$50,400.00

1924 Expenditure, (from Government funds) \$52,687.85

1924 Expenditure (contributions by various lessees) \$ 361.06

In conjunction with the Roads Office, a considerable number of new gullies was constructed and connected to the stormwater drainage system.

184. Chinese Cemeteries,—Laying out new areas.—The work carried out under this heading has been alluded to in paragraph 37 of this report.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 8,000.00
Sup. Vote,	4,353.84
	\$12,353.84
1924 Expenditure,	\$10,960.04

185. King's Park,—Laying out ground for Recreation purposes.—This work was commenced at the beginning of the year, and satisfactory progress maintained. About 135,000 c.y. of material has been excavated.

Most of the cutting and filling was completed, and the following additional works carried out :—

About 6,000 cubic yards of vegetable soil was spread to a depth of 6".

About 17,500 yards super. of turf was laid.

About 8,000 feet run of cement concrete channelling of various sizes was constructed.

1924 Estimates,	\$100,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 73,751.20

186. Miscellaneous Works.—The following is a brief description of the principal works carried out under this heading :—

Royal Observatory.—The erection of a Printing Room was completed, as was also the Entrance to the grounds.

Yaumati Slipway.—Alterations and improvements thereto, and provision of Capstans and extra Cradle Rollers.

Hunghom Police Station.—A small wooden garage erected for the storage of motor-cycle.

Yaumati Pig Lairage.—Addition of 4 pig pens.

Fire Station, Salisbury Road.—Tar macadam 4" thick was laid on the drill ground.

Garden Seats.—Six garden seats for the use of the Public were provided along Chatham Road.

1924 Estimates,	\$10,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	8,000.00
	\$18,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$12,820.01

187. Compensation and Resumptions.—This vote provided for the resumption of properties required for street widening and improvement schemes, and in connection with the development of the district in accordance with the approved Town Planning Scheme. The exchanges and resumptions effected are as shown on pages 14 to 21 and 58.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 30,000.00
1924 Sup. Votes,	220,000.00
	\$250,000.00
1924 Expenditure approved,	\$240,631.81
Less amounts refunded,	412.00
Net expenditure,	\$240,219.81

188. Distribution Mains,—Improvements and Extensions.—This work was referred to in paragraph 184 of last year's Report. The following is a list of the more important extensions carried out during the year:—

- (a.) 1,700 lin. ft. of 8" main laid from the 12" main in Prince Edward Road along Sai Kung Road, Kowloon City.
- (b.) 1,050 lin. ft. of 4" main laid from Sai Kung Road along Kai Yan Road, Kowloon City.
- (c.) 650 lin. ft. of 6" main laid in Jordan Road.
- (d.) 750 lin. ft. of 4" main laid from (c) along Wai Chung Street.
- (e.) 400 lin. ft. of 6" main diverted at Blackhead's Point.
- (f.) 1,000 lin. ft. of 12" main laid Eastward along Prince Edward Road from its junction with Coronation Road.

1924 Estimates	\$20,000.00
1924 Expenditure	\$17,407.35

189. Piper's Hill Service Reservoir.—A contract (No. 44 of 1924) for this work was let to Mr. Ng Wah in September.

Excellent progress was made and by the end of the year most of the soft excavation had been removed and the cement concrete side walls were practically completed.

1924 Estimates,	\$10,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$140,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	10,000.00		
	\$20,000.00		
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$19,737.69	Total Expenditure, \$	19,737.69

190. Kowloon Filter Beds Extension,—Four New Beds.—A contract (No. 45 of 1924) for this work was let to the Po Yick Company in September.

By the end of the year, good progress has been made with the general excavation and site formation, and part of the West and North walls of Bed No. 8 has been constructed.

1924 Estimates,	\$30,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$110,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$15,324.52	Total Expenditure, \$	15,324.52

191. Miscellaneous Water Works.—The following is a statement of the expenditure on works carried out under this heading:—

(1) Repairs to Catchwater,	\$ 92.46
(2) Supply to Wong Uk,	1,200.27
(3) Minor Extensions to Mains,	3,778.67
(4) Pedestal Hydrants,	1,356.34
(5) Unforeseen Works,	3,857.44
	Total.....\$10,285.18

- (1) Owing to pressure of other work minor repairs only were effected under this heading.
- (2) A 2" W. I. Pipe, 1,900 ft. in length, was laid from the 18" main in Taipo Road to supply Wong Uk and district.
- (3) (a) A 4" C. I. pipe 600 ft. in length, was laid from the 15" main in Coronation Road eastwards along Shantung Street.
(b) A 3" C. I. pipe 570 ft. in length, was laid from the 7" main in Austin Road Northwards along Pilkem Street.
(c) A 4" C. I. pipe 500 ft. in length, was laid from Chatham Road along Barker Street, Hunghom.
- (4) An experimental pedestal hydrant was fixed for the Fire Brigade at Tsim Sha Tsui and another at Jordan Road.
- (5) (a) A portion of the rising main to Kaulungtung Service Reservoir was lowered to suit the new Taipo Road level and the 15" C. I. main was replaced by 280 ft. of 12" C. I. main.
(b) Diversion effected of 600 lin. ft. of 6" main at Kau Pui Shek, Kowloon City.
(c) A 2" W. I. pipe, 2,700 ft. in length, was laid from the Kowloon City main as a temporary supply to Kaulungtung Development Scheme.

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192. Police Station, Shamshuiipo.—Owing to pressure of work in the Architectural Office, Messrs. Palmer and Turner, Architects, were engaged to undertake this work.

The building was commenced in January, and by the end of the year good progress was made. It is a three-storeyed structure built of brick, with reinforced concrete floors and a tiled roof.

The accommodation consists of :—

Ground floor.—Charge room, witnesses and interpreters' rooms, mess room for Chinese Constables, sleeping quarters for 10 Chinese Constables, 2 Sergeants, and 2 Detectives ; also a garage, kitchen and lavatory.

First floor.—One European flat containing a living room, two bedrooms, and the usual offices ; sleeping quarters for 17 Indian Constables and 2 Sergeants, mess room for Indian Constables, and the usual offices.

Second floor.—Three European flats, one containing a living room, three bedrooms, and the usual offices. The other two provide a living room, two bedrooms, and the usual offices.

1924 Estimates,	\$50,000.00	Total Estimates,	\$85,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	\$35,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure,	\$59,533.65	31.12.24, ...	\$59,533.65

193. Police Station, Kowloon City.—Due to pressure of work in the Architectural Office, Messrs. Palmer and Turner, Architects, were engaged to undertake this work.

It was commenced about June, and by the end of the year good progress was made.

This building and the Police Station at Shamshuiipo (vide paragraph 192) are almost identical, as they were designed by the same Architects.

1924 Estimate,	\$50,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$85,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	\$35,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure,	\$59,476.23	31.12.24,	\$59,476.23

194. New Gaol, Ngau Shi Wan.—Sketch plans were prepared and approved in May. The scheme approved provides for a Cell Block to accommodate 1,000 prisoners, Administration, Reception, and Punishment Blocks, Kitchen, Workshops, Baths, Laundry, Boiler House, and Hospital.

As the ground upon which the buildings are to be erected is reclaimed land, special foundations are required, and a contract therefor was let in October to the Hongkong Excavation Pile Driving and Construction Co., Ltd., for driving 2,500 Raymond Concrete Piles.

At the end of the year, excavation had been completed for the foundations of the Main Cell Block.

1924 Estimates,	\$50,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 1,611.07

195. New Police Station, Shatin.—This work was referred to in paragraph 187 of last year's Report.

The progress of the work was most unsatisfactory, due chiefly to the dilatoriness of the Contractor who was fined for failing to complete the contract within the stipulated time.

At the close of the year the Station has been completed.

1924 Estimates,	\$10,000.00	} Total Estimates,.....\$50,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	15,000.00	
	\$25,000.00	} Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure,...	\$23,312.17		31.12.24,.....$48,638.61

196. Quarters for Indian Married Police.—These Quarters were referred to in paragraph 188 of last year's Report.

Progress on this work was satisfactory during the year, the Quarters at Ping Shan being completed in September and those at Tsun Wan at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$15,000.00	} Total Estimates,.....\$...
1924 Expenditure,...	\$13,065.19	
		} Expenditure to
		31.12.24,.....\$18,469.16

197. Quarters for Inspector of Vernacular Education in the New Territories, Tai Po.—This work was referred to in paragraph 193 of last year's Report.

The erection of this building was undertaken by a private Architect.

At the end of the year, it was approaching completion.

1924 Estimates,	\$20,000.00	|	Total Estimates,	\$35,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$18,000.00	|	Expenditure to	
			31.12.24,	\$18,000.00

198 Block House for Police, Castle Peak.—This work was referred to in paragraph 194 of last year's Report.

The progress was not at all satisfactory owing to sickness amongst the labourers and also to the dilatoriness of the Contractors.

An extension was made to the contract so as to proceed with the erection of a set of Native Quarters on the South-East side of the Block House.

At the close of the year, the Block House was finished and the work on the Native Quarters referred to above well in hand.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 3,000.00	|	Total Estimates,	\$18,500.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	6,000.00	|	Expenditure to	
	\$ 9,000.00	|	31.12.24,	\$11,768.31
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 3,434.90	|		

199 Public Latrines, Urinals and Bath Houses :—

Taiipo Market Trough Closet.—This work was referred to in paragraph 195 of last year's Report.

Upon tenders being called again for this work, more reasonable prices were obtained, and these were under consideration at the end of the year.

No expenditure in connection with this work was incurred during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 15,000.00	|	Total Estimates, ...	—
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 63.60	|	Expenditure to	
			31.12.24,	\$ 63.60

200 New Lunatic Asylum.—This work was referred to in paragraph 237 of last year's Report under "Works not appearing in Estimates,—Kowloon."

A contour survey was made and a contract for the formation of the site above and to the East of Laichikok Bay was got out and put to tender. The lowest tender received was so high that it was deemed inadvisable to accept it.

With a view to determining the amount of rock likely to be met with in forming the site, an experimental trench was cut and, as a result thereof, the site was abandoned.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 10,000.00	| Total Estimates,....	—
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	10,000.00		
	\$ 20,000.00	| Expenditure to	31.12.24,
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 1,121.98			$ 1,121.98

201 Furniture for Government Offices and Quarters.—A full set of furniture and a part thereof were supplied under this vote.

33 single items of furniture were furnished to Police Stations, Government Schools, etc., and several desks, etc., removed to the various schools in the New Territories from Hongkong. Repairs were carried out as required.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 3,500.00	| Total Estimates,.....	—
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 2,099.88		
		| Expenditure to	31.12.24,

202 Refuse Dump,—Cheung Sha Wan.—This work was referred to in paragraph 202 of last year's Report.

The depositing of 2,929 c. yds. of material was required during the year in conjunction with the dumping carried out by the Sanitary Department.

At the close of the year, it became necessary to extend the projecting mole which was taken in hand.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 1,000.00	| Total Estimates,.....	—
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	53.34		
	\$ 1,053.34	| Expenditure to	31.12.24,
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 1,053.34			$ 29,841.28

203 Chinese Cemeteries,—Laying out of new areas.—The work carried out under this heading has been alluded to in paragraph 37 of this Report.

1924 Estimates,.....\$ 2,000.00

1924 Expenditure, ...\$ 1,925.34

204 Miscellaneous Works.—This work was referred to in paragraph 208 of last year's Report.

The following is a brief description of the principal works carried out under this heading:—

- (a) Filling in at Shamshuipo to the N.E. of N.K.I.L. 433.
- (b) Bullock Stabling at Kowloon City.
- (c) Connection to Wells at Cheung Chau.
- (d) Levelling of the Parade Ground at Lok Ma Chau Police Station.
- (e) Bullock Stabling at Fuk Tsun Heung.
- (f) The sinking of a well and construction of a path at the Tsun Wan Police Station.
- (g) Painting of the structure of the Beckwith Bell, repairs to wall and generally improving the surroundings at Lam Tong.
- (h) Erection of a searching shed for searching purposes at Cheung Chau Pier.
- (i) Provision of extra bed-boards and trestles etc., for prisoners and Indian Warders at Laichikok Branch Prison.
- (j) Fitting up of a New Dispensary with front entrance doors, sign-boards and partitions at Taipo.
- (k) An approach to the fire station at Taipo from the main road was made, surfaced with 4" macadam, and tar painted.
- (l) The path from the Taipo Road to the P. W. D. Bungalow was macadamised.

To give effect to (a) an order was made in February for the necessary site formation for exchange of areas. The work was completed by end of May.

As regards (b), an order for levelling and concreting the site, together with the erection of a matshed stable, was given in February and the work completed by end of April.

(c). This work was put in hand at the end of the year. It consists of the renovation of 2 wells and improvement of one spring.

(d). This work which was put in hand at the end of the year, comprised the levelling of the site, forming of bank, and the turfing of same. By the end of the year, it was progressing favourably.

(e). This work was put in hand at the beginning of the year and completed by the end of April.

1924 Estimates,	\$15,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$14,844.17

205 Roads :- -

(a.) Metalling and tar painting hilly portions of Laichikok—Castle Peak and Tai Po Roads.—This work was referred to in paragraph 196 (a) of last year's Report. Sections of the Coastal Road from Laichikok to Castle Peak, and from Shatin to Tai Po Causeway were channelled, surfaced with 4" macadam and tar painted.

1924 Estimates,	\$30,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	5,372.28
	<u>\$35,372.28</u>
1924 Expenditure,	\$30,000.00

(b.) Road from Tai Po Market to Shun Wan.—This work was referred to in paragraph 196 (b) of last year's Report.

Further improvements to the existing road to Shun Wan were considered and by the end of the year the survey was in hand but it was not possible to proceed with the construction.

No expenditure under this head was therefore incurred during the year.

(c.) Tai Po Market,—Kerbing, Channelling, &c.—(Certain streets at Tai Po Market were kerbed, channelled, surfaced with ordinary macadam and tar, painted, the footpaths being treated with granolithic paving.

1924 Estimates,	\$5,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$1,800.07

(d.) Widening Eleven Bridges.—A contract for this work was let, and the work started towards the end of the year. Satisfactory progress was made.

Piling, foundations, and walling were completed for six bridges, and the reinforced concrete decking laid on Nos. 1 and 2 near Castle Peak.

1924 Estimates,	\$10,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	30,000.00
	<u>\$40,000.00</u>
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 7,298.15

(e.) Tai Po Road,—Widening and improving from the 5th milestone to Sha Tin.—This work was referred to in paragraph 196 (e) of last year's Report.

Cutting back of 6 bends and easing the curves between the 6th and 7th Milestones were in hand at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,.....\$	1,000.00	| Total Estimates,.....\$	—
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	9,000.00	|	
	\$ 10,000.00	| Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, \$	4,000.00	| 31.12.24,.....\$	4,060.60

(f.) Access Road from Tsun Wan to the site of the Water Works at Shing Mun Valley.—This work was referred to in paragraph 196 (i) of last year's Report.

Progress was very poor on both sections, but by the end of the year the 1st section, 1.1 miles in length, had been completely excavated. Approximately half of the excavation on the 2nd section, 0.82 mile in length, had been removed by the end of the year.

1924 Estimates, ...\$	100,000.00	| Total Estimates, ...\$	110,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$	44,143.45	| Total Expenditure, \$	53,858.60

(g.) Waterloo Road Extension (100 feet wide) Section between Kowloon Boundary to foot of hills S. E. of Tunnel (estimate for 50 foot width).—This work was referred to in paragraph 196 (j) of last year's Report.

It was carried out at a satisfactory rate of progress, having regard to the necessity of pushing the other items under the contract connected with the development of the area for the use of the Kaulungton Development Company.

1924 Estimates,.....\$	5,000.00	| Total Estimates, ...	—
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	5,000.00	|	
	\$ 10,000.00	| Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, \$	8,500.00	| 31.12.24,\$	14,452.50

(h.) Extension of Roads in Kaulungton Development Area.—This work was referred to in paragraph 196 (h) of last year's Report.

The extension of Coronation Road Northwards from the old boundary was begun in May and by the end of the year the culvert, on a grillage foundation, was completed and the embankment half formed.

1924 Estimates,\$	20,000.00	| Total Estimates,.....	—
		| Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...\$	4,430.84	| 31.12.24,.....\$	4,457.21

(i.) Patrol Path, Sheung Shui to the Frontier.—This work was referred to in paragraph 196 (c) of last year's Report.

An extension of this path from Ta Ku Ling to Lin Ma Hang was projected and by the end of the year the survey work was in hand, but it was not found possible to proceed with the construction.

No expenditure under this head was therefore incurred during the year.

(j.) Fanling-Shatarukok Road.—This work was referred to in paragraph 245 of last year's Report under the heading "Works not appearing in Estimates, New Territories."

Owing to the employment of local labour this work progressed satisfactorily, but subsequently proceeded intermittently on account of the sowing and harvesting of the paddy.

By the end of the year the 1st Section, from Fanling to Au Ha Gap, was, with the exception of the bridges, almost ready to be handed over to the Roads Maintenance Office.

On the 2nd Section, however, fair progress was maintained, and, but for about 200 feet, filling has been linked up.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$160,000.00	Total Estimates,.....	\$168,000.00
1924 Expenditure...\$	65,684.68	Expenditure to	
		31.12.24,.....	\$ 65,684.68

(k.) Surfacing and strengthening those portions of main road running through paddy fields.—A considerable amount of work was done throughout the year, especially on that part between Castle Peak and Un Long which was rendered imperative by the new Motor Bus Service on this route.

The strengthening with granite spalls surfaced with ordinary macadam and tar painted, referred to in paragraph 196 (g) of last year's Report, was continued.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 30,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	20,000.00
	\$ 50,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 47,398.04

(l.) General Works.—The following is a brief statement of the principal works carried out under this heading:—

The formation of roads and footways in connection with the Kowloon Bay Reclamation Scheme mentioned in paragraph 196 (k) of last year's Report was continued.

The following roads, all in the Shamshuipo and Cheung Sha Wan Districts, in front of new buildings were kerbed, channelled, surfaced with ordinary macadam, and tar painted, the footpaths being paved with granolithic slabs and the necessary improvements made:—

Cheung Chau Street,	Boundary Street,
Yu Chau Street,	Yee Kuk Street,
Coastal Road,	Apliu Street,
Ki Lung Street,	Tai Nan Street,
Nan Chang Street,	Pei Ho Street,
Laichikok Road,	Kweilin Street.

Roads in front of new buildings at Tai Po Market were kerbed, channelled, surfaced with ordinary macadam, and tar painted, the footpaths being treated with granolithic paving and the necessary improvements made.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 30,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	19,350.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	26,250.00
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	\$ 75,600.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 43,423.44

203. Opening up of Quarry, Castle Peak.—During the year, the quarry buildings were completed. The yard was surfaced with ordinary macadam, and tar painted. A length of 300 feet of 24" gauge track, with 3 tipping wagons, was laid.

The quarrying of stone was continued satisfactorily.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 5,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	5,000.00
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	\$ 10,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 6,372.01

207. Two 2-ton Lorries, New Territories—The two motor lorries referred to in paragraph 204 of last year's Report arrived in the Colony early in the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$16,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$16,000.00

208. Training Nullahs :—

(a.) One side-wall and invert of nullah on the Eastern side of the Kaulunatona Development Scheme.—This work was referred to in paragraph 194 (a) of last year's Report.

The piling of the foundations was completed, and by the end of the year the whole of the invert platform was laid on this section, while the building of the rubble walls was well advanced.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$50,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$70,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	16,000.00		
	\$66,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$55,000.00	31.12.24,	\$59,036.80

(b.) Kaulungtung Development Area, connection of stream North of this Area to Main Nullah—This work was referred to in paragraph 197 (c) of last year's report.

As it was deemed undesirable and unnecessary to divert the Northern stream, no work was, therefore, undertaken in this connection there and no expenditure has been involved.

1924 Estimates,	\$50,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$60,000.00
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$	Expenditure to	
		31.12.24,	\$

(c.) Shamshuiipo, extension of the existing Nanchang Street Nullah to Tai Po Road.—This work was referred to in paragraph 197 (d) in page 121 of last year's report. Fair progress was made during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$20,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$13,346.56

(d.) General Works.—The invert of the nullah at Laichikok was completed.

1924 Estimates,	\$5,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$4,873.74

209. Miscellaneous Drainage Works :—

(a.) Main sewer from Fuk Tsua Heung in a North-Easterly direction to Tai Po Road.—It was not found possible to proceed with this work during the year, there was consequently no expenditure under this heading.

1924 Estimates,	\$25,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$

(b.) Storm-water drains from Nanchang Street Nullah in the direction of Kaulungtung Village.—This work was commenced late in the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$15,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 1,293.46

(c.) Sewers,—Kaulungton Development Scheme.—Sewers were laid in the streets and scavenging lanes adjoining the houses nearing completion.

• 1924 Estimates,\$25,000.00
 1924 Expenditure,\$12,055.07

(d.) Portion of Stormwater drains.—Kaulungton Development Scheme.—The construction of stormwater drains was commenced late in the year.

1924 Estimates,\$50,000.00
 1924 Expenditure,\$ 2,010.13

(e) General Works.—Owing to receipt of unsatisfactory tenders, most of the 6" & 9" sewers &c., were laid departmentally, the larger works being let by contract.

The following are the most important stormwater drains and sewers which were laid during the year :—

Size.	Description.	Length in ft.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
18" & 12"	Sewers	617' 0"	Peiho Street	From Apliu Street to scavenging lane at rear of Om Yau Street	Completed.
12"	Sewer	550' 0"	Kweilin Street	From Apliu Street to Om Yau Street	"
6"	"	219' 0"	Peiho Street	In scavenging lane to N.K.I.Ls. 313 & 341 and eventually to N.K.I.L. 354	"
6"	"	182' 0"	Nanchang Street	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 384	"
6"	"	107' 0"	Laichikok Road	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.Ls. 440 and 460	"
6"	"	239' 0"	Yen Chow Street	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.Ls. 110 and 111	"
6"	"	278' 0"	Yee Kuk Street	From Kweilin Street to Yen Chow Street	"
27"	Stormwater drain	354' 0"	"	From Nanchang Street to old Boundary	"
6"	Sewer	153' 0'	Nanchang Street	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 380	"

Size.	Description.	Length in ft.	Locality.	Position.	Remarks.
6"	Sewer	730' 0"	Kowloon Bay	Relay sewer in scavenging lane N. of Kai Yan Road	Completed.
6"	"	213' 0"	Laichikok	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 194	
6"	"	115' 0"	Shamshuipo	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 366	
6"	"	376' 0"	"	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 405	
6"	"	144' 0"	Nanchang Street	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 465	
6"	"	410' 0"	"	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.Ls. 374, 377, 223 & 375	
6"	"	117' 0"	Shamshuipo	From N.K.I.L. 261 to N.K.I.L. 335, Hai Tan Street	
6"	"	110' 0"	Nanchang Street	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.Ls. 221 and 222	
6"	"	297' 0"	Shamshuipo	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 428	
6"	"	273' 0"	Laichikok Road	In Laichikok Road to New Police Station	
6"	"	115' 0"	Shamshuipo	In scavenging lane at rear of N.K.I.L. 367	
18" & 15"	"	.....	Shamshuipo Reclamation	N. W. of & parallel to Tung Chan Street to N.K.I.L. 306
27"	Stormwater drain	Laichikok Road	In Laichikok Road to old boundary		Not completed.

The number of drain connections made was 319.

1924 Estimates \$20,000.00
 1924 Sup. Vote \$33,000.00

\$53,000.00

1924 Expenditure (from Government funds) \$37,682.71
 1924 Expenditure (contribution by various lessees) 3,382.25

In conjunction with the Roads Office, a considerable number of new gullies with flat gully gratings were constructed and connected to the storm-water drainage system.

210. Kaulungtung Development Scheme :—

(a.) Resumptions.—This work was referred to in paragraph 200 (a) of last year's Report.

137 lots were resumed during the year.

The total amount of the payments approved for these resumptions was \$58,377.17, but owing to the refusal of certain owners to recognise the authority of the Boards of Arbitration and to accept the amounts awarded as compensation, and further as certain of the payments approved could not be made before the end of the year, a sum of \$51,936.07 was refunded making the net expenditure for the year \$6,441.10. The sum of \$51,936.07 will have to be paid out of the corresponding vote for 1925 or subsequent year.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 10,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,	50,000.00
	\$ 60,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.....	\$ 58,377.17
Less Amounts refunded,	51,936.07
Net expenditure,	\$ 6,441.10

(b.) Excavation and filling.—This work was referred to in paragraph 200 (b) of last year's Report.

Good progress was maintained during the year, 430,000 cubic yards of excavation from the hills on the area being deposited on the low-lying swamps which were brought up to formation levels.

By the end of the year, a total acreage of 24.96 of formed land has been handed over to the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Company.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$ 100,000.00	Total Estimates, \$ 280,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	35,000.00	
	\$ 135,000.00	Expenditure to 31.12.24, 234,842.00
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 124,900.00	

211. Compensation and Resumptions.—This vote provided for the resumption of properties required in connection with development schemes, new roads etc.

The exchanges and resumptions effected are shown on pages 22 to 29 and 59.

The total amount of the payments approved under this vote was \$116,657.03, but owing to the refusal of certain owners to recognise the authority of the Boards of Arbitration and to accept

the amounts awarded as compensation and further as in several cases payments could not be made before the end of the year, a sum of \$50,321.95 was refunded making the net expenditure for the year \$66,335.08.

The sum of \$50,321.95 will have to be paid out of the corresponding vote for 1925 or subsequent years.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 20,000.00
1924 Sup. Votes,	70,000.00
	\$ 90,000.00
1924 Expenditure approved,...	\$ 116,657.03
Less amounts refunded,	50,321.95
	\$ 66,335.08

212. Extension of Kowloon Catchwater.—This work was referred to in paragraph 210 of last year's Report.

By the end of the year, a length of about 6,000 ft. of catchwater was practically completed, 5,300 ft. of which is continuous bringing 220 acres within the Drainage area of the Kowloon Reservoir.

The excavation for the remaining length is practically completed except for short lengths of rock section.

The excavation and invert for the widening of 490 lin. ft. of the existing catchwater were practically completed by the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,.... \$120,000.00	Total Estimates,.... \$190,000.00
1924 Expenditure,.... \$ 59,388.17	Total Expenditure, \$102,620.21

213. Shing Mun Valley Scheme.—This scheme was referred to in paragraph 211 of last year's Report.

A report, with estimate, was forwarded to Government in April outlining in detail the various sections of the scheme, which was subsequently submitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for approval.

Briefly, the scheme outlined consists of the complete development of the whole Shing Mun Valley, stretching from Lead Mine Pass to the sea at Shatin. By means of catchwaters, the drainage from the Northern and Southern slopes of Tai Mo Shan will be diverted into the Shing Mun Valley, providing a total estimated drainage area of 13 square miles and yielding a daily supply of 17 million gallons based on the assumption of the driest season.

The scheme has been divided into five sections which will be proceeded with as the requirements of the Colony demand.

The 1st Section comprises the construction of the necessary aqueducts, tunnels, and the reception reservoir for raw water to cope with the yield of the fully developed scheme. Filtration plant, service reservoirs, and a pipe line to deal with 5 million gallons daily are provided for in the meantime, but admit of extension when necessity arises.

This section will deal with the normal flow of the Shing Mun River, which will be diverted above Pineapple Pass into the permanent conduits and tunnels by means a temporary channel. An access road, 1.92 miles in length, from Tsun Wan to Pineapple Pass is also included in this section and is more fully described later.

The 2nd Section deals with the construction of three impounding reservoirs in the upper Shing Mun Valley, having an estimated total capacity of 2,000 million gallons, catchwaters discharging through Lead Mine Pass, and the necessary extension to the filter plant, while a 2nd trunk main would also probably be required under this section.

The 3rd Section involves the construction of a large catchwater draining 2,575 acres of the Southern face of Tai Mo Shan from Tsun Lung Village to Pineapple Pass where it will discharge into the Shing Mun Valley. Two storage reservoirs near Tsun Lung, having an aggregate capacity of about 340 million gallons, would also be constructed to control the flood water discharge in the catchwater, while further additions to the filtering plant and to the trunk mains would also have to be made.

These 3 sections complete the gravity portion of the Scheme and are estimated to provide a minimum daily yield of 11 million gallons.

The 4th Section consists of an Access Road from the Tai Wai Village to the mouth of the North Tunnel, two storage reservoirs having an aggregate capacity of 2,100 million gallons, catchwaters draining the Eastern slopes of Needle and Grassy Hills, and a pumping station at Tai Wai with rising mains to the mouth of the North Tunnel.

The 5th Section is a very doubtful one and may never materialise. It projects the development of the Gin Drinkers Bay Valley by forming a large dam across the estuary with the necessary pumps and mains to deliver the water into the South Tunnel. An estimated yield of 5 million gallons daily may be expected from this source, but this quantity is additional to the 17 million gallons already alluded to.

The approval of the Scheme by the Secretary of State for the Colonies was received in May with sanction for the immediate construction of the 1st Section.

The works involved thereby are :—

1. An access road 16 ft. in width and 1.92 miles in length, from Tsun Wan to Pineapple Pass.
2. An intake dam across the Shing Mun River above Pineapple Pass with a temporary conduit 6,000 ft. in length.
3. The North Conduit 2,900 ft. in length.
4. The North Tunnel through Smugglers Ridge 2,160 ft. in length.
5. The South Conduit 2,000 ft. in length.
6. The South Tunnel through the Golden Hill 4,680 ft. in length.
7. A raw water reception reservoir in the lower Shek Lai Pui Valley having a top water level of 480.00 A.O.D. and an effective capacity of 33 million gallons.
8. A filtration plant immediately below the above reservoir, of which the 1st Section will be capable of dealing with 5 million gallons per day.
9. A covered reinforced concrete service reservoir of 5 million gallons capacity adjoining the filters.
10. A 24" trunk main to Kowloon Point 4.40 miles in length with a feed to the Kowloon System at Piper's Hill.
11. A covered reinforced concrete service reservoir at Pipers Hill with a capacity of 1½ million gallons.
12. A 24" main 1.10 miles in length across the Harbour from Nathan Road, Kowloon, to the Praya at Jackson Road, Hongkong.
13. A 24" main 0.60 mile in length from the Praya at Jackson Road to the Botanical Gardens.
14. A covered reinforced concrete service reservoir in the Botanical Gardens disposing of a 5 million gallons capacity at a top water level of approximately 280 A.O.D.

1. This work is in progress and referred to in paragraph 205 (f) of this report.

2 & 3. Tenders were called for in December and were still under consideration at the close of the year.

4, 5 & 6. A contract (No. 29 of 1924) was let to Messrs. Sir W.G. Armstrong Whitworth & Co. in November and by the end of the year good progress has been made with the erection of housing accommodation, plant etc.

7. A contract (No. 56 of 1924) was let to Messrs. Trollope and Colls (Far East) Ltd. in December.

8. Tenders from British Manufacturers of Mechanical and Fast Gravity Filters were called for and received, but no decision has been come to by the end of the year.

9. Only the necessary survey work has been completed.

10. The survey work was nearing completion and the preparation of the indent for the pipe was well in hand by the end of the year.

11. This is referred to in paragraph 189 of this report.

12. 15 borings and 56 prickings were taken across the harbour on a line between Nathan Road, Kowloon, and Jackson Road, Hongkong, and the preparation of the necessary data and plans were well in hand by the end of the year.

13. and 14. Only preliminary survey work has been carried out.

1924 Estimates, ...\$ 100,000.00	Total Estimates, ...\$3,500,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 4,369.52	Total Expenditure, \$ 11,216.34

The expenditure incurred on the construction of the Access Road from Tsun Wan to Pineapple Pass (paragraph 205 (f) of this report) amounting to \$44,143.45 is chargeable to Shing Mun Valley Scheme.

214. Shek Lai Pui-Reservoir and Contingent Works.—This work was referred to in paragraph 212 of last year's Report.

The excavation for the foundations of the 2 Dams proceeded slowly. The depositing of the concrete for the foundations of the second Dam was delayed by reason of a soft pocket in the rock at the South end of the Dam. This necessitated the foundations of the dam being carried down to 575 A.O.D. and constant pumping was required to cope with the spring water met with. The depositing of the concrete to the Dam in question began in April and by the end of the year 1,500 c. yds. of fine cement concrete and 3,750 c. yds. of displacer cement concrete have been deposited. 160 c. yds. of cement concrete inner face blocks, and 190 c. yds. granite rubble back facing have been laid by the end of the year, when this Dam has reached a level of 625 A.O.D.

Concrete to the Draw-off Dam (the 1st Dam) commenced in October, and by the end of the year 520 c. yds. of fine cement concrete and 220 c. yds. of displacer concrete have been deposited.

Work on the 3rd Dam had not commenced by the end of the year.

Excavation for the East Catchwater started in November and was practically completed by the end of the year.

No work was done on the West Catchwater.

A sum of \$57,200 was spent in constructing a new village near the North end of the Beacon Hill Tunnel to accommodate the Shek Lai Pui villagers. This sum is included in the expenditure given below :—

1924 Estimates,.....	\$200,000.00	Total Estimates, \$	260,000.00
1924 Expenditure,...	\$143,733.98	Total Expenditure,\$	151,728.99

215. Fanling Water Works Scheme.—This work was referred to in paragraph 214 of last year's Report.

As no further development took place during the year in this district, there was no need to extend the existing system.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$ 7,000.00	Total Estimates,	\$ 40,300.00
1924 Expenditure, \$	19.81	Total Expenditure, ...	\$ 6,996.92

WORKS NOT APPEARING IN ESTIMATES.

HONGKONG.

216. Market at Whifield.—This work was referred to in paragraph 220 of last year's Report.

By the end of the year this market was completed and handed over to the Sanitary Department.

1924 Estimates,	—
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 5,794.96

217. Old Government Offices, —Alterations.—This work, described in paragraph 118 of last year's Report, was completed early in the year.

218. Erection of Sheds for Indian and Chinese Police at Berlin Mission Compound.—The preparation of plans etc., was completed and tenders were called for towards the end of the year.

219. New P. & O. Building, —Fittings and Furniture for the Departments of the Port Engineer, Director of Education, and the Electrical Engineer.—This work involved the provision of partitions,

supply of furniture including blinds, electric lighting, fans, and radiators to the whole of the 4th and 5th floors and to half of the 6th floor.

It was commenced in August, 1924, and, with the exception of some of the furniture and other sundry minor items, was completed in December, 1924.

1924 Estimates,	—
1924 Sup. Vote,	\$ 20,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 16,091.60

220. Belilios Reformatory.—New Roof and General Repairs to the Fabric including painting and colour-washing.—The entire roofing to the Main Block was renewed. All valleys and gutters were done in malthoid, and the old ceilings removed. This necessitated the main walls of the buildings, originally built to the level of the eaves, to be carried up to the underside of the roof tiling.

General repairs, which were extensively needed, were carried out as far as possible before the end of the year. The whole of the necessary work in this respect will not be completed till the end of April, 1925, owing to the advanced state of delapidation.

1924 Estimates,	—
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 14,827.81

221. Government Civil Hospital, "B" Block.—Extension and Improvements to Kitchen Block.—This work comprised the construction of an extra storey on top of the present one-storey building to provide accommodation for 7 amahs, with splints and linen rooms in addition to bath, kitchen, and Water Closet.

Rooms on the ground floor now in the occupation of amahs, would be vacated for extensions and improvements to the kitchen.

The work was commenced at the end of October.

1924 Estimates,	—
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 4,576.94

222. Refuse Pier at Whitfield for Sanitary Department.—This work which comprised the erection of a reinforced concrete pier for the Sanitary Department and the surfacing of the approach road was completed by the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 20,000.00
1924 Expenditure,	\$ 18,724.20

223. Construction of a Dump for surplus material at Wanchai Gap.—For the provision of a dump for surplus building material

in the Peak District, a retaining wall was erected, and nullahs culverted, in the Valley at Wanchai Gap, between Mount Cameron and Coombe Roads.

1924 Estimates,\$ 5,000.00
1924 Expenditure,\$ 4,964.64

224. Reconstruction of Recreation Grounds at Happy Valley.
New turf was laid to those portions of the Civil Service Club ground damaged by the debris washed down from the adjoining hillside during the storms of the previous year.

1924 Estimates,\$ 2,500.00
1924 Expenditure,\$ 1,078.17

225. Conduit Road Widening.—This work, referred to in paragraph 120 (s). (ii) of last year's Report, was practically completed by the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,\$45,000.00
1924 Expenditure,\$44,844.05

226. Alterations to Tramway Track between Ice House Street and Causeway Bay.—That portion of the track near Jardine Bazaar was raised to the approved level.

1924 Estimates,\$ 7,890.00
1924 Expenditure,\$ 7,171.79

227. Road connecting Broadwood Road with Wongneichong Gap Road.—This work, referred to in paragraph 120 (m) of last year's Report, was completed during the year.

1924 Estimates,\$15,000.00
1924 Expenditure,\$15,360.71

228. Shankwan Road widening near the Eastern Gate of the Taikoo Dock.—It was considered necessary to widen the road to 80 feet at a dangerous bend near the Eastern Gate of the Taikoo Dock, and the work was well in hand at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,\$40,000.00
1924 Expenditure,\$28,659.12

229. Shek O Road, Surfacing.—A short section of this road was strengthened by the application of 4" tar macadam.

1924 Estimates,\$25,000.00
1924 Expenditure,\$ 3,954.50

230 Road from Aberdeen to Deep Water Bay beyond the Paper Mills.—This road, from the Aberdeen Paper Mills for a length of 2,500 feet proceeding Eastwards, was widened to 30 feet.

1924 Estimates, \$26,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$18,691.81

KOWLOON.

231. Sexton's Quarters, Kowloon Cemetery.—This work was referred to in paragraph 241 of last year's Report.

A contract was let to Messrs. Wo Fat & Co., in November, 1923.

By the end of the year, the work was completed and handed over to the Sanitary Department.

1924 Estimates,	—	Total Estimates,	—
		Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ... \$	8,496.34	31 12.24,	\$ 8,496.34

22. Police Married Quarters, Mongkok.—A contract for this work was let to Messrs. Tat Lee & Co., late in November, and the usual preliminaries begun but no actual work on the site commenced.

1924 Estimates, —
1924 Expenditure, \$ 528.97

233. Laichikok Prison.—Four sheds of the upper terrace were rebuilt in brickwork with new tile-roofs on steel trusses, such as those already done on the lower terrace, and were finished by the end of the year.

Extensive additional fencing was found necessary and put in hand and will be continued in 1925.

1924 Estimates, —
1924 Sup. Vote, \$35,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$33,754.91

234. Gascoigne and Nathan Roads, Kowloon,—Removal of the Hill to improve the junction.—Satisfactory progress was maintained throughout the year, about 66,000 cubic yards of earth and rock being removed.

The nature of the material to be excavated was such that it was found impossible to complete the work by the end of the year.

1924 Estimates, \$122,000.00
1924 Expenditure, \$ 62,387.05

235. Pier at Blackhead's Point.—A hardwood pier 60 feet in length and projecting 30 feet from the Praya Wall, with two dolphins, was erected off the Government Coal Storage Dépôt at Blackhead's Point for the Harbour Department, for facilitating the unloading of coal from steamers and junks.

1924 Estimates, —
1924 Expenditure, \$45,377.45

NEW TERRITORIES.

236. Erection of a new Beacon Light at Cheung Chau Island.—

A contract for the erection of a new reinforced concrete beacon light was let. It was erected, and handed over in running order during the year.

This light substituted the iron framed structure which was damaged during the typhoon of August, 1923.

1924 Estimates, —
 1924 Expenditure, \$ 10,481.77

237. Main Road crossing the Railway under the Bridge North-west of Tai Po Market.—Improvement.—This main road was improved by its realignment near the approach to the railway bridge at Tai Po Market. The work was completed during the year.

1924 Estimates, \$ 3,000.20
 1924 Expenditure, \$ 3,000.20

238. Filling in large area near Kowloon City.—This work was referred to in paragraph 244 of last year's Report.

The progress made during the year was satisfactory. 96,300 c. yds. was cut and 220,000 sq. ft. of land formed to new levels.

At the close of the year the work was well advanced.

1924 Estimates,	—	Total Estimates,	—
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 25,214.92	Expenditure to	
		31.12.24,	\$ 25,314.92

239. Harbour Development.—The report of the work done by the Harbour Works Department for the year 1924 is given in Annexe L, and this will be the last occasion for its inclusion in this report.

WORKS AND CHARGES DEFRAIDED FROM FUNDS NOT PROVIDED UNDER P. W. E. VOTES.

240. Bathing Facilities.—These were provided at Kennedy Town, North Point, and Stonecutters Island as in former years. The additional beach at the Railway Compound, Hunghom, referred to paragraph 246 of last year's Report, was not provided again as the use thereof did not justify it.

Three rafts together with the necessary attendants were provided at Repulse Bay.

The cost, inclusive of watchmen's wages, etc., was defrayed from Class I, Item 10, Miscellaneous Services, and amounted to \$9,297.53.

STAFF, &c.

The death of the following officer occurred during the year:—

P. Shaw, Engineer, 17.6.24.

The following officer retired on pension:—

Mr. D. Wood, Superintendent of Accounts & Stores,
31.10.24.

The following promotions were made:—

- Mr. P. D. Wilson, Engineer, to Engineer-in-charge,
Resumption Office, 14.1.24.
- Mr. A. E. Lissaman, 2nd Class Surveyor, to Engineer,
19.2.23.
- Mr. G. E. Falkner, Temporary Assistant Engineer, to
Engineer 1.8.24.
- Mr. K. S. Robertson, Temporary Engineer, to Engineer,
1.8.24.
- Mr. G. H. Haskett, Assistant Superintendent of Stores,
to Superintendent of Accounts & Stores, 31.5.24.
- Mr. J. H. Kynoch, Clerk of Works, to Senior Works
Inspector, 1.7.24.
- Mr. D. J. Brown, Road Surveyor, to Senior Works
Inspector, 1.7.24.
- Mr. J. Dickson, Drainage Inspector, to Senior Works
Inspector, 1.7.24.
- Mr. F. J. Ling, Clerk of Works, to Senior Works
Inspector, 1.7.24.
- Mr. P. D. Keyser, 1st Class Overseer, to Inspector of
Works, 1.7.24.
- Mr. T. J. Richards, 1st Class Overseer, to Inspector of
Works, 1.7.24.
- Mr. J. A. Howe, 1st Class Overseer, to Chief Survey
Clerk, 1.9.24.
- Mr. W. Keegan, 2nd Class Overseer, to 1st Class
Overseer, 1.7.24.
- Mr. J. S. Beach, 2nd Class Overseer, to 1st Class
Overseer, 1.7.24.
- Mr. F. X. H. do Rozario, 2nd Grade Clerk, to 1st Grade
Clerk, 1.10.24.
- Mr. G. D. Mehal, Class III Clerk, to 2nd Grade Clerk,
1.5.24.
- Mr. Ho Kwai Fong, 3rd Grade Clerk, to 2nd Grade
Clerk, 1.10.24.
- Mr. Au Kwok Leung, 3rd Grade Clerk, to 2nd Grade
Clerk, 1.10.24.
- Mr. Shin Chung Sang, Grade IV Clerk, to Grade III
Clerk, 1.5.24.
- Mr. Ho Shu Fong, 3rd Class Draughtsman, to 4th Class
Clerk, 1.1.24.
- Mr. Mok Kwan Hing, 5th Grade Clerk, to 4th Grade
Clerk, 1.10.24.

- Mr. Wong Tsz Wing, 6th Grade Clerk, to 5th Grade Clerk, 1.10.24.
- Mr. Chu Hin Loi, 6th Grade Clerk, to 5th Grade Clerk, 1.10.24.
- Mr. Leung Yan I, 6th Grade Clerk, to 5th Grade Clerk, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Wong Man Yeung, 6th Grade Clerk, to 5th Grade Clerk, 1.6.24.
- Mr. Wong Kun Ying, 6th Grade Clerk, to 5th Grade Clerk, 1.11.24.
- Mr. Ho Ping Nam, 6th Grade Clerk, to Grade VI A, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Mak Po, Grade VI Clerk, to Grade VI A, 1.5.24.
- Mr. Chung Kin Fat, 6th Grade B Clerk to 6th Grade A Clerk, 1.7.24.
- Mr. Cheung Shiu Ki, 6th Grade B Clerk to 6th Grade A Clerk, 1.10.24.
- Mr. C. P. Ng, 6th Grade B Clerk, to 6th Grade A Clerk, 1.11.24.
- Mr. Tam Ting Kui, 6th Grade B. Clerk to 6th Grade A Clerk, 1.12.24.
- Mr. Luk Kui, 2nd Class Draughtsman to 1st Class Draughtsman, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Lo Nam Chiu, 3rd Class Draughtsman to 2nd Class Draughtsman, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Yeung Yuk Mui, 2nd Class Foreman, to 3rd Class Draughtsman, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Tang Chi Lun, 4th Class Draughtsman to 3rd Class Draughtsman, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Fong Yau Leung, 4th Class Draughtsman to 3rd Class Draughtsman, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Fung Kun, 4th Class Draughtsman to 3rd Class Draughtsman, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Lung Chiu Kit, 5th Grade Telegraphist, to 4th Grade Telegraphist, 1.6.24.
- Mr. Mak Kun, 5th Grade Clerk, to House Service Inspector, 1.7.24.
- Mr. Surjin Singh, Apprentice Wireless Operator, to 5th Class Telegraphist, 5.9.24.
- Mr. Chow Kwong, 2nd Class Foreman, to 1st Class Foreman, 1.4.24.
- Mr. Ngai Ah Fat, 2nd Class Foreman, to 1st Class Foreman, 1.6.24.
- Mr. Heung Choy, 2nd Class Foreman, to 1st Class Foreman, 1.6. 24.
- Mr. Lo Fat, 2nd Class Foreman, to 1st Class Foreman, 1.6.24.

The following Officers left the service of the Department during the year:—

- Mr. F. W. Foster-Turner, Engineer.
- Mr. S. Bradshaw, Superintendent of Wireless Telegraphy.
- Mr. Yang Ching Toh, 3rd Class Land Surveyor.
- Mr. Pau Shu Chak, Apprentice Surveyor.

Mr. Ho Wai Fan, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Yu Shut Hing, Student Surveyor.
Mr. C. Choon Joon, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Wong Chak Sang, Computer.
Mr. Ho Sheung, 2nd Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Lo Oi Cho, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Lam Chot Hin, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Ho Yew Wing, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Chan Siu Tong, 4th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Cheung Ting Hin, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Yau Kam Shing, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Chan Shun, 1st Class Foreman. ...
Mr. Tang Po, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Chung Lin, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Chun Yuk, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Wong Yung Sam, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Wong Yuk, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Tsang Hon Wah, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Chung Tsam, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Yau Sheung, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. J. T. Cotton, 5th Grade Telegraphist.

The following appointments were made:—

Mr. R. H. Skelton, Engineer.
Mr. G. S. Graver, Engineer.
Mr. D. S. Edward, Engineer.
Mr. R. J. B. Clark, Engineer.
Mr. K. S. Robertson, Engineer.
Mr. D. G. Strachan, Engineer.
Mr. R. S. W. Paterson, Engineer.
Mr. J. Bottomley, Engineer.
Mr. E. J. Manolo Hughes, Engineer.
Mr. S. O. Hills, Engineer.
Mr. D. H. Jones, Engineer.
Mr. R. Cryan, Engineer.
Mr. W. H. Bourne, Engineer.
Mr. R. S. Moore, Engineer.
Mr. J. F. W. Plascott, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. C. H. Lamb, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. O. C. Womack, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. C. A. Carter, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. R. Bell, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. P. O. Rogers, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. T. D. E. Pendered, Surveyor & Valuer.
Mr. L. E. Longbottom, Chief Draughtsman.
Mr. T. V. Jeffery, Office Assistant & Pay Clerk.
Mr. A. Spary, 1st Class Overseer.
Mr. A. J. Wadmore, 1st Class Overseer.
Mr. H. J. Best, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. W. C. Morgan, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. J. Fraser, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. A. Gray, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. A. J. Wheeldon, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. F. E. Lawrence, 2nd Class Overseer.

Mr. G. E. Stephens, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. J. S. Dinnen, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. P. C. Morgan, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. H. H. Rose, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. J. W. Wells, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. W. L. Walker, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. F. W. Bradley, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. R. S. Bell, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. A. McCallum, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. A. H. Smart, 2nd Class Overseer.
Mr. W. E. Hollands, Land Bailiff.
Mr. F. Brett, Land Bailiff.
Mr. F. A. Kemp, Senior Wireless Operator.
Mr. F. K. Garton, Senior Wireless Operator.
Mr. W. H. C. Bouchier, Senior Wireless Operator.
Mr. A. Brailsford, Senior Wireless Operator.
Mr. W. C. Gee, Senior Wireless Operator.
Mr. T. B. Rolland, Senior Wireless Operator.
Mr. Enoch Bunn, Wireless Operator.
Mr. T. Matthews, Temporary Office Assistant.
Mr. Yang Ching Chen, 2nd Class Asst: Land Surveyor.
Mr. Young Po Chee, 2nd Class Asst: Land Surveyor.
Mr. Cheung King York, 3rd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. L. L. Lopes, Meter Reader.
Mr. Mak Kun, House Service Inspector.
Mr. Li Iu Sang, House Service Inspector.
Mr. J. J. Spradbery, Temporary Clerk.
Mr. L. H. Sown, Temporary Clerk.
Mr. Yeung Piu Chong, 5th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Li Luk, 5th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Mok Kwan Hing, 5th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Chow Kwok Hing, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Wong Man Yeung, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Wong Ping Kwan, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Pau Tsan Ming, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Leung Ping Kwan, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Wong Tsz Wing, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Wong Kun Ying, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Pun Ho Tin, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Lai Hin San, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Tong Koon Chu, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Lo Yau Cheun, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Ho Wing Chung, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Ho Lai Kung, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Cheung Chee Yook, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Poon Ping Hong, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Leung Chung Ming, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Kam Wa Sing, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Cheung Sung To, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Ng Tsung Hei, 6th Grade Shroff.
Mr. Liu Wah, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Chung Sing, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Ng Hing, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Fung Wing, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Tam Pui Wah, 2nd Class Foreman.

Mr. Pun Sin, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Yung Man, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Choi Fai, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Lai Sui Tong, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. To Wai, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Fong Lau, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Yee Kin, 2nd Class Foreman.
Mr. Leung Shau Wing, Temporary Draughtsman.
Mr. Tang King Ming, Temporary Draughtsman.
Mr. Fong Shau Ting, Temporary Draughtsman.
Mr. Liu Ting Man, Temporary Draughtsman.
Mr. Chiu Chiu Chin, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. W. N. Chan, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Cheung Hung, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Lai Mee Kan, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Cheung Yui Po, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Leung Kwok Choy, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Lam Shiu Fong, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Fong Chu Shak, 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Chan Tak Wing, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Surjin Singh, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Mohammed Sheriff, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Wong Chiu Pak, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Yeung Wing Piu, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Nur Mohammed, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Chan Chung Tung, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Lo Wah Fook, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Andrew L. Cheaong, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Mohammed Hanib, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Johnson Lau, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Osman Sadik, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Cecil Yow, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. R. M. Salleh, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Nazar Ali, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Jahan Dad, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Bachan Singh, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Abdulah Mujtaba, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
Mr. Ng Wing, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Lai King Chan, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Cheung U Kuen, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Ng Ting Cheuk, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Tam Shu Wing, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Tong Fook, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Pang Iu Ki, Computer.
Mr. Wong Chak Sang, Computer.
Mr. Chow Chuck Tong, Computer.

The following officers joined and left the service of the Department during the year:—

Mr. H. R. Flower, Engineer.
 Mr. R. N. M. Corner, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
 Mr. C. C. J. Whitehead, 1st Class Overseer.
 Mr. Lau Cheong, 6th Grade Clerk.
 Mr. Cheung Shun, 6th Grade Clerk.
 Mr. Ho Wing Chi, 6th Grade Clerk.
 Mr. John Xavier, 6th Grade Clerk.
 Mr. Chan Siu Fook, 6th Grade Clerk.
 Mr. F. W. Kerr, Clerk.
 Mr. To Kan Kun, Telephone Clerk.
 Mr. Wu Hang Ching, 3rd Class Assist Land Surveyor.
 Mr. Shim Ah Hong, Student Surveyor.
 Mr. Kwan Lee, 2nd Class Foreman.
 Mr. Pun Po, 2nd Class Foreman.
 Mr. Wong Ah Ming, Probationer Foreman.
 Mr. Ajit Singh, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
 Mr. Ali Gauhar Khan, Wireless Apprentice Operator.
 Mr. Cheng Ching Wah, 4th Class Draughtsman.

The following officers, who had been granted long leave, were absent during periods stated:—

Mr. H. E. Goldsmith, Engineer, from 13/3/24 to 9/12/24.
 Mr. H. J. Pearce, Engineer, from 14/6/24 to 31/12/24.
 Mr. R. S. Logan, Engineer, from 24/5/24 to 31/12/24.
 Mr. E. S. Carter, Engineer, from 22/8/24 to 31/12/24.
 Mr. L. D. Martyn, Engineer, from 18/4/24 to 31/12/24.
 Mr. L. C. P. Rees, Supt., Crown Lands, from 22/3/24 to 31/12/24.
 Mr. D. Wood, Supt., Accounts & Stores, from 31/5/24 to 30/10/24.
 Mr. F. W. Wood, 1st Class Land Surveyor, from 1/9/24 to 31/12/24.
 Mr. A. E. Clarke, Assistant Electrician, from 8/3/24 to 10/12/24.
 Mr. R. S. Vergette, Clerk of Works, from 22/3/24 to 31/12/24.
 Mr. W. Pryde, 1st Class Overseer, from 2/5/23 to 21/2/24.
 Mr. C. A. Grimes, 1st Class Overseer, from 21/3/23 to 12/1/24.
 Mr. J. T. Ewing, 1st Class Overseer, from 23/2/24 to 31/12/24.

- Mr. G. W. May, 1st. Class Overseer, from 3/4/24 to 12/10/24.
- Mr. K. K. Staple, 1st. Class Overseer, from 21/3/24 to 31/12/24.
- Mr. W. R. N. Andrew, 2nd. Class Overseer, from 5/4/24 to 31/12/24.
- Mr. G. D. Mehal, Class III. Clerk, from 5/9/24 to 31/12/24.

The following officers were granted local leave:—

- Mr. H. T. Jackman, Asst. D. P. W., Kowl. 3 months & 11 days.
- Mr. C. W. E. Bishop, Engineer, 1 month & 10 days.
- Mr. A. E. Lissaman, Engineer, 1 month & 3 days.
- Mr. I. M. Xavier, Engineer, 5 months.
- Mr. S. R. Jones, 1st. Class Overseer, 6 weeks.
- Mr. Ho Sheung, 2nd. Class Draughtsman, 6 weeks.
- Mr. Chan Pui Lau, 3rd Class Draughtsman, 1 month.
- Mr. Ng Wai Pun, Apprentice Surveyor, 4 weeks.
- Mr. Tang Chi Lun, 4th Class Draughtsman, 4 weeks.
- Mr. Fong Yau Leung, 4th Class Draughtsman, 4 weeks.
- Mr. Cheng Kun Hop, Student Surveyor, 4 weeks.

Harold T. Creasy, M.I.C.E., A.M.I.M.E.,
Director of Public Works.

Public Works Office,
Hongkong, 14th May, 1925.

Annexe A.

ANNUALLY RECURRENT EXPENDITURE, 1924.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
ESTABLISHMENT.							
Personal Emoluments,	986,750	1,040,643.87	53,893.87	...	178,540.21	124,646.34	...
Other Charges,	105,792	143,838.40	38,046.40	...	42,314.60	4,268.30	...
	1,092,542	1,184,482.27	91,940.27	...	220,854.81	128,914.64	...
<i>Special Expenditure</i> :—							
Safe for Accounts Office, .....	...	285.63	285.63	...	286.00	.37	...
PUBLIC WORKS RECURRENT.							
HONGKONG.							
<i>Buildings.</i>							
1. Maintenance of Buildings,	150,000	228,541.31	78,541.31	...	81,561.12	3,019.81	...
2. Improvements to Buildings,	30,000	71,649.52	41,649.52	...	41,085.97	...	563.55
3. Maintenance of Lighthouses,	6,000	7,997.67	1,997.67	...	1,999.98	2.31	...
<i>Communications.</i>							
4. Maintenance of Roads and Bridges in City,	100,000	114,994.68	14,994.68	...	20,000.00	5,005.32	...
5. Improvements to Roads and Bridges in City,	25,000	24,414.87	...	585.13	...	585.13	...
6. Maintenance of Roads and Bridges outside City,	70,000	87,860.33	17,860.33	...	20,000.00	2,139.67	...
7. Improvements to Roads and Bridges outside City,	7,000	13,855.33	6,855.33	...	8,000.00	1,144.67	...
8. Maintenance of Telephones, including all Cables,	8,000	14,378.75	6,378.75	...	5,868.31	...	510.44
<i>Drainage.</i>							
9. Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c.,	20,000	16,119.01	...	3,880.99	...	3,880.99	...
<i>Lighting.</i>							
10. Gas Lighting, City and Suburbs and Hill District,	85,000	83,226.90	...	1,773.10	...	1,773.10	...
11. Electric Lighting, City, Hill District and Shaukiwan,	35,000	27,680.43	...	7,319.57	...	7,319.57	...
12. Extensions of Lighting,	1,500	5,169.27	3,669.27	...	4,000.00	330.73	...
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>							
13. Maintenance of Praya Walls and Piers,	11,000	9,012.87	...	1,987.13	...	1,987.13	...
14. " Public Cemetery,	2,500	1,987.56	...	512.44	...	512.44	...
15. " Chinese Cemeteries, ...	2,500	2,459.25	...	40.75	...	40.75	...
16. " Public Recreation Grounds,	4,000	3,207.93	...	792.07	...	792.07	...
17. Dredging Foreshores,	12,000	14,331.21	2,331.21	...	2,500.00	168.79	...
18. Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages,	22,000	378,335.65	356,335.65	...	352,848.50	...	3,487.15
19. Stores Depreciation,	100	48.20	...	51.80	...	51.80	...
20. Boundary Stones,	5,000	2,682.51	...	2,317.49	...	2,317.49	...
21. Survey of Colony,	5,000	5,342.49	342.49	...	6,500.00	6,157.51	...
<i>Water Works.</i>							
22. Maintenance of City and Hill District, .	210,000	251,686.98	41,686.98	...	30,000.00	...	11,686.98
23. " " Shaukiwan,	1,200	1,283.88	83.88	...	600.00	516.12	...
24. " " Aberdeen,	1,000	678.37	...	321.63	...	321.63	...
25. Water Account, (Meters, &c.),	22,000	32,312.81	10,312.81	...	14,000.00	3,687.19	...
<i>Carried forward</i> ,	\$ 835,800	1,399,257.78	583,039.88	19,582.10	588,963.88	41,754.22	16,248.12

ANNEXE A,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.		ACTUAL.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.		PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.		BALANCE.		EXCESS.	
	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
<i>Brought forward,</i>	835,800		1,399,257.78		583,039.88		19,582.10		588,963.88		41,754.22		16,248.12	
KOWLOON.														
<i>Buildings.</i>														
26. Maintenance of Buildings,	25,000		44,022.90		19,022.90		...		19,000.00		...		22.90	
27. Improvements to Buildings,	5,000		15,976.21		10,976.21		...		20,000.00		9,023.79		...	
<i>Communications.</i>														
28. Maintenance of Roads and Bridges, ...	60,000		56,809.76		...		3,190.24		...		3,190.24		...	
29. Improvements to Roads and Bridges, ...	5,000		198.24		...		4,801.76		...		4,801.76		...	
30. Maintenance of Telephones,	2,500		4,075.84		1,575.84		...		1,700.00		124.16		...	
<i>Drainage.</i>														
31. Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c., ..	9,000		4,215.87		...		4,784.13		...		4,784.13		...	
<i>Lighting.</i>														
32. Gas Lighting,	29,500		26,981.54		...		2,518.46		...		2,518.46		...	
33. Electric Lighting,	15,000		11,157.87		...		3,342.13		...		3,842.13		...	
34. Extensions of Lighting,	1,500		1,475.00		...		25.00		...		25.00		...	
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>														
35. Maintenance of Praya Walls and Piers, ..	5,000		4,982.76		...		17.24		...		17.24		...	
36. " Chinese Cemeteries, ...	1,000		706.87		...		293.13		...		293.13		...	
37. " Recreation Grounds, ...	1,000		245.62		...		754.38		...		754.38		...	
38. Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, ...	4,000		18,759.16		14,759.16		...		15,000.00		240.84		...	
<i>Water Works.</i>														
39. Maintenance of Water Works,	20,000		28,563.08		8,563.08		...		8,436.99		...		126.09	
40. Water Account, (Meters, &c.),	12,000		15,521.08		3,524.08		...		4,000.00		475.92		...	
NEW TERRITORIES.														
<i>Buildings.</i>														
41. Maintenance of Buildings,	20,000		26,178.32		6,178.32		...		6,163.65		...		14.67	
42. Improvements to Buildings,	3,000		7,781.87		4,781.87		...		10,000.00		5,218.13		...	
<i>Communications.</i>														
43. Maintenance of Roads and Bridges, ...	45,000		65,789.57		20,789.57		...		20,000.00		...		789.57	
44. Improvements to Roads and Bridges, ...	3,000		2,999.79		...		.21		...		.21		...	
45. Maintenance of Telephones,	5,000		5,091.37		91.37		...		91.37		...		...
<i>Drainage.</i>														
46. Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, &c., ..	600		4.10		...		595.90		...		595.90		...	
<i>Lighting.</i>														
47. Electric Lighting, Shamshui,	6,000		3,237.40		...		2,762.60		...		2,762.60		...	
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>														
48. Maintenance of Chinese Cemeteries, ...	100		...		...		100.60		...		100.00		...	
49. Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages, ...	15,000		41,242.18		26,242.18		...		26,242.18		...		...
<i>Water Works.</i>														
50. Maintenance of Laichikok,	4,000		6,090.94		2,090.94		...		3,000.00		909.06		...	
51. " Fauling Waterworks, ...	500		443.79		...		56.21		...		56.21		...	
52. " Taipo Waterworks, ...	500		665.50		165.50		...		200.00		34.50		...	
53. Water Account, (Meters, &c.),	1,500		1,512.74		12.74		...		12.74		...		...
			1,793,990.15											
			21.46 *											
Total,	\$ 1,135,500		1,793,968.69		701,813.64		43,323.49		722,810.81		81,522.01		17,201.35	

* Credit—Expenditure overpaid in 1923 and recovered in 1924.

Annexe B.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURE, 1924.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
HONGKONG.							
<i>Buildings.</i>							
1. Officers' Quarters,	200,000	469,675.11	269,675.11	...	260,414.14	...	9,260.97
2. Overseer's Quarters, Elliot Filter Beds,	25,000	32,359.77	7,359.77	...	15,000.00	7,640.23	...
3. D'Aguilar—Erection of Quarters for Officers,	25,000	16,278.35	.....	8,721.65	12,000.00	20,721.65	...
4. Canton Quarters, Canton,.....	20,000	51,884.28	31,884.28	...	33,000.00	1,115.72	...
5. Quarters for Sanitary Inspector, Kennedy Town,	40,000	.....	.....	40,000.00	...	40,000.00	...
6. Fire Brigade Station,	300,000	80,453.91	.....	219,544.09	...	219,544.09	...
7. Victoria Hospital,—Maternity Block and alterations and extensions to existing buildings,.....	130,000	71,269.49	.....	58,730.51	...	58,730.51	...
8. New Saiyingpun School,	200,000	127,227.26	.....	72,772.74	...	72,772.74	...
9. New Queen's College,.....	100,000	52,478.58	.....	47,521.42	...	47,521.42	...
10. Extension of Lairage and Coolie Quarters, Kennedy Town,.....	5,000	5.60	.....	4,994.40	...	4,994.40	...
11. Reinstatement of Kennedy Town Police Station,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	...	1,000.00	...
12. Saiyingpun Market Reconstruction, ...	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00	...
13. Government Stores, Extension,.....	15,000	7,739.58	.....	7,260.42	...	7,260.42	...
14. Coal Storage and Motor Garage, Wanchai Depot,.....	10,000	17,482.39	7,482.39	...	8,000.00	517.61	...
15. Garage, Stubbs Road,.....	10,000	20,659.01	10,659.01	...	11,000.00	340.99	...
16. New Infectious Diseases Hospital, ...	30,000	.....	.....	30,000.00	...	30,000.00	...
17. New Government Offices, Alterations,	50,000	9,818.03	.....	40,181.97	20,000.00	60,181.97	...
18. Garage near P.W.D. Offices, (4 cars),...	5,000	13,769.72	8,769.72	...	10,000.00	1,230.28	...
19. Inspector's Quarters, Cart Shed and Garage next to No. 1 Police Station,	50,000	.....	.....	50,000.00	...	50,000.00	...
20. Police Stations :—							
(a) Bay View, .....\$10,000...	10,000	.....	.....	10,000.00	...	10,000.00	...
(b) Peak, .....\$10,000...	10,000	.....	.....	10,000.00	...	10,000.00	...
(c) To replace No. 3, ...\$10,000...	10,000	5,079.12	.....	4,920.88	12,000.00	16,920.88	...
21. Schools :—							
(a) At Quarry Bay, .....\$23,000...	48,000	4,572.15	.....	43,427.85	...	43,427.85	...
(b) At Leighton Hill, ...\$25,000...							
22. Central Police Station—New Store and Canteen,	35,000	18,530.11	.....	16,469.89	...	16,469.89	...
23. Magistracy new cells,.....	14,000	2,623.97	.....	11,376.03	...	11,376.03	...
24. Garage near Homestead Site at the Peak,	1,000	14.16	.....	985.84	...	985.84	...
25. Market at Quarry Bay,	5,000	11,196.91	6,196.91	...	6,200.00	3.09	...
26. Pokfulum Police Station—New Quar- ters for Sergeant,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	...	1,000.00	...
27. New Architectural Office,	58,000	47,883.78	.....	10,116.22	22,000.00	32,116.22	...
28. Government Civil Hospital, Structural Alteration to "C" Block,.....	10,000	5,696.66	.....	4,303.34	...	4,303.34	...
29. Government Civil Hospital, Extension to Sisters Quarters,.....	50,000	28,785.11	.....	21,214.89	...	21,214.89	...
30. Latrines and Urinals and Bath Houses	25,000	52,492.41	27,492.41	...	60,000.00	32,507.59	...
<i>Communications.</i>							
31. Roads :—							
(a) Improving and widening roads through Quarry Bay Village,...	50,000	31,903.44	.....	18,096.56	50,000.00	68,096.56	...
(b) Road from Taitam Gap to Shek O,	17,000	50,679.30	33,679.30	...	40,000.00	6,320.70	...
(c) Extending 20-foot road from Magazine Gap to Victoria Gap,	20,000	19,726.18	.....	273.82	15,000.00	15,273.82	...
Carried forward,.....\$	1,581,000	1,250,286.38	403,198.90	733,912.52	583,614.14	923,588.73	9,260.97

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward</i>	1,581,000	1,250,286.38	403,198.90	733,912.52	583,614.14	923,588.73	9,260.97
Hongkong,—Continued.							
<i>Communications,—Continued.</i>							
31. Roads:—Continued.							
(d) Road from Wongneichong Gap to Repulse Bay Road,	100,000	149,040.68	49,040.68	...	56,000.00	6,959.32	...
(e) Road contouring hillside in Wongneichong and Tai Hang Valleys, Extension: 2nd section—Bowen Road to connect with Tai Hang proposed Road,	32,000	30,119.97	.....	1,880.03	2,000.00	3,880.03	...
(f) Wanchai Road—Widening to 42 feet,	25,000	5,654.08	.....	19,345.92	...	19,345.92	...
(g) Road from Causeway Bay to North Point,	50,000	1,957.71	...	48,042.29	...	48,042.29	...
(h) Shaukiwan Road—Improvements in Shaukiwan Village,	15,000	4,975.16	.....	10,024.84	...	10,024.84	...
(i) Victoria Road Improvement,	25,000	21,933.06	.....	3,066.94	...	3,066.94	...
(j) Road from Western end of Robinson Road to Conduit Road,	25,000	.....	.....	25,000.00	...	25,000.00	...
(k) Road and Path from Wanchai Gap to Middle Gap,	8,000	1,577.32	.....	6,422.68	...	6,422.68	...
(l) Road contouring hillside above Conduit Road, 1st & 2nd Sections,	15,000	39,418.66	24,418.66	...	25,000.00	581.34	...
(m) Road from Caine Road to Robinson Road,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	...	1,000.00	...
(n) Tai Hang Development, Road Construction,	60,000	76,691.74	16,691.74	...	60,000.00	43,308.26	...
(o) West Bay Development, Road Construction,	25,000	.....	.....	25,000.00	...	25,000.00	...
(p) Wongneichong Development, Road Construction,	25,000	.....	.....	25,000.00	...	25,000.00	...
(q) Queen's Road East,—Widening to 60 feet,	20,000	8,698.11	.....	11,301.89	...	11,301.89	...
(r) Kennedy Road,—Improvements,	10,000	9,839.82	.....	160.18	...	160.18	...
(s) Road Improvements and Widening; Bonham Road,	20,000	19,939.15	.....	60.85	...	60.85	...
(t) Main Roads in City,—Surfacing with asphaltum,	60,000	64,331.09	4,331.09	...	...	...	4,331.09
(u) Stubbs Road, surfacing for heavy traffic,	20,000	122,196.61	102,196.61	...	100,000.00	...	2,196.61
(v) Pokfulam Road, surfacing with sand carpeting between Nos. 4-8 Bridges and from No. 11 Bridge to Aberdeen Village,	30,000	52,092.66	22,092.66	...	20,000.00	...	2,092.66
(w) Queen's Road West, Improvements,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	...	1,000.00	...
(x) Island Road,—surfacing for heavy traffic between Aberdeen and Stanley,	100,000	97,184.14	.....	2,815.86	...	2,815.86	...
(y) Caine Road Widening and raising to new levels between Arbutnot Road and Aberdeen Street,	20,000	4,294.09	.....	15,705.91	...	15,705.91	...
(z) General Works,	50,000	138,546.20	88,546.20	...	85,291.12	...	3,255.08
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$ 2,318,000	2,098,776.63	710,516.54	929,739.91	931,905.26	1,172,265.04	21,136.41

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward</i> ,.....	2,318,000.00	2,098,776.63	710,516.54	929,779.91	931,905.26	1,172,265.04	21,136.41
Hongkong,—Continued.							
<i>Drainage.</i>							
32. Training Nullahs :—							
(a) Conduit and Hatton Roads Development Scheme,	8,000	3,107.79	.....	4,892.21	...	4,892.21	...
(b) General Works,	20,000	19,463.95	.....	536.05	5,500.00	6,036.05	...
33. Miscellaneous Drainage Works :—							
(a) Extending existing outfall from below Wanchai Gap to the sea at a point near Aberdeen,	20,000	14,193.57	.....	5,806.43	...	5,806.43	...
(b) Laying sewer in connection with Conduit and Hatton Roads Development Scheme,...	8,000	1.76	.....	7,998.24	...	7,998.24	...
(c) Shaukiwan Road, Laying drain in connection with North Point Fore-shore Development,	20,000	6,314.69	.....	13,685.31	...	13,685.31	...
(d) General Works,	35,000	82,831.74	47,831.74	...	47,454.27	...	377.47
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>							
34. Queen's Statue Pier,	37,000	32,630.90	.....	4,369.10	38,000.00	42,369.10	...
35. Quarry, Workshop and Plant,	50,000	45,869.08	.....	4,130.92	...	4,130.92	...
36. Portable Tar and Asphalt Mixer,.....	15,000	.....	.....	15,000.00	...	15,000.00	...
37. Two 2-ton Motor Lorries,	16,000	14,614.20	.....	1,385.80	...	1,385.80	.....
38. New Ferry Piers,	5,000	524.69	.....	4,475.31	...	4,475.31	.....
39. Ferry Piers for Vehicular Traffic,.....	10,000	529.77	.....	9,470.23	...	9,470.23	.....
40. Forming rubble mound for protection to proposed reclamation, North Point,	30,000	152.58	.....	29,847.42	...	29,847.42	.....
41. Furniture for Government Offices and Quarters,	30,000	50,024.60	20,024.60	...	20,000.00	...	24.60
42. Aplichau,—Reclamation Scheme,	10,000	69.80	.....	9,930.20	...	9,930.20	.....
43. Harbour Developments,	5,000	35,008.05	30,008.05	...	33,500.00	3,491.95	.....
44. Chinese Cemeteries,—Laying out new areas,	3,500	3,338.30	.....	161.70	...	161.70	.....
45. Chair Coolie Shelters,	3,200	2,693.00	.....	507.00	...	507.00	.....
46. Sanitary Depôt, Watson Street,	7,000	.....	.....	7,000.00	13,000.00	20,000.00	.....
47. Motor Roller, 8 to 9 tons, for Asphal- tum work,	7,000	6,384.64	.....	615.36	...	615.36	.....
48. Kennedy Town Reclamation, exclusive of wharfage,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	...	1,000.00	.....
49. Miscellaneous Works,	30,000	63,478.06	33,478.06	...	32,672.04	...	806.02
<i>Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.</i>							
50. Compensation and Resumptions,	50,000	1,836,134.05	1,786,134.05	...	1,500,409.28	...	285,724.77
<i>Water Works.</i>							
51. Eastern District Filter Beds, &c.,	100,000	96,702.35	.....	3,297.65	...	3,297.65	.....
52. Taitam Tuk Scheme,—Additional Pumping Plant :—							
(a) Engine House and Foundations,	50,000	16,472.77	.....	33,527.23	...	33,527.23	.....
(b) Engine and Boiler,	200,000	275.23	.....	199,724.77	...	199,724.77	.....
53. Stanley Mound East, Catchwater,.....	80,000	76,111.51	.....	3,888.49	...	3,888.49	.....
54. Mount Parker East, Catchwater,	50,000	96.12	.....	49,903.88	...	49,903.88	.....
55. Violet Hill (only half area), Catch- water,	10,000	15,034.39	5,034.39	...	40,000.00	34,965.61	.....
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$ 3,236,800.00	4,520,834.22	2,633,027.43	1,340,893.21	2,662,440.85	1,678,375.90	308,069.27

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward</i>	3,236 800.00	4,520,834.22	2,633,027.43	1,340,893.21	2,662,440.85	1,678,375.90	308,069.27
Hongkong,—Continued.							
<i>Water Works,—Continued.</i>							
56. Stanley Mound West, Catchwater, ...	* ...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
57. Jardine's Lookout, Catchwater,.....	15,000	23,523.27	8,523.27	...	11,000.00	2,476.73	...
58. New Workshop and Plant,.....	5,000	8,839.53	3,839.53	...	4,000.00	160.47	...
59. Repluse Bay Water Supply, Extended Scheme,	5,000	1,926.15	.....	3,073.85	...	3,073.85	...
60. Lowering Water Mains in City to give better cover,	8,000	1,459.35	.....	6,540.65	...	6,540.65	...
61. Mount Cameron Development,—Tem- porary arrangements for water supply, (not including distribution service),	4,000	2,694.75	.....	1,305.25	...	1,305.25	...
62. Coal Bunkers, Taitam Tuk Pumping Station,	15,000	.....	.....	15,000.00	...	15,000.00	...
63. New Rising Main to 750 foot Tank (9"),	10,000	4,722.08	.....	5,277.92	6,000.00	11,277.92	...
64. Conduit and Hatton Roads Develop- ment Scheme:—							
(a) Diverting Peak Pumping Main,	5,000	4,056.70	.....	943.30	...	943.30	...
(b) Diverting Distributing Main, }							
65. New principal Water Mains in the City of Victoria,.....	75,000	55,394.85	.....	19,605.15	...	19,605.15	...
66. Taitam Tuk East Catchwater, (1st Section),	50,000	663.26	.....	49,336.74	...	49,336.74	...
67. Shek O Water Supply,	55,000	.....	.....	55,000.00	...	55,000.00	...
68. Miscellaneous Water Works,	11,000	30,008.46	19,008.46	...	19,000.00	...	8.46
69. <i>Praya East Reclamation Scheme.</i>							
(a) Contribution by Government towards Fund for Reclamation,	97,000	64,046.00	.....	32,954.00	...	32,954.00	...
(b) Road Improvements at Arsenal Street,—Resumption and al- teration of buildings,	5,000	.....	.....	5,000.00	...	5,000.00	...
(c) Morrison Hill District Develop- ment, Retaining Walls and Storm Water Culverts,	10,000	7,978.72	.....	2,021.28	...	2,021.28	...
KOWLOON.							
<i>Buildings.</i>							
70. Kowloon Hospital,	200,000	267,180.48	67,180.48	...	150,000.00	82,819.52	...
71. New Police Station, Yaumati,	20,000	28,200.67	8,200.67	...	10,000.00	1,799.33	...
72. Police Station, Mongkoktsui,.....	7,000	.....	.....	7,000.00	...	7,000.00	...
73. Mataukok Slaughter House, Inspec- tor's Quarters,.....	10,000	4,807.91	.....	5,192.09	10,600.00	15,792.09	...
74. Mongkoktsui, New Market,	21,000	4,200.50	.....	16,799.50	2,000.00	18,799.50	...
75. Cattle and Swine Depôt, Yaumati,...	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00	...
76. Quarters for Scavenging Coolies at Yaumati,	5,000	.....	.....	5,000.00	...	5,000.00	...
77. Trough Closet at Kowloon City,	10,000	.....	.....	10,000.00	...	10,000.00	...
78. Additional Cattle Shed, Mataukok, ...	9,000	.....	.....	9,000.00	...	9,000.00	...
79. Open Market, Bowring Street,	29,500	23,451.40	.....	6,048.60	...	6,048.60	...
80. Magistracy at Yaumati,.....	1,000	15.29	.....	984.71	...	984.71	...
81. Quarters for Revenue Officers, Yaumati,	5,000	.....	.....	5,000.00	...	5,000.00	...
82. Officers' Quarters, Kowloon,	30,000	.....	.....	30,000.00	...	30,000.00	...
83. Hunghom Market Extension, 12 fish stalls with tanks,	2,000	.....	.....	2,000.00	8,000.00	10,000.00	...
84. To Kwa Wan Market, 16 stalls for beef, pork, fish and poultry,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	14,000.00	15,000.00	...
<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$ 3,950,200.00	5,054,003.59	2,739,779.84	1,635,976.25	2,906,080.85	2,110,314.99	308,077.73

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward</i>	3,950,200.00	5,054,003.59	2,739,779.84	1,635,976.25	2,906,040.85	2,110,314.99	308,077.73
Kowloon,—Continued.							
<i>Buildings,—Continued.</i>							
85. Closed Market, 130 stalls to replace Yaumati Old Market,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	11,000.00	12,000.00	...
86. Enlargement of vegetable Lan, Waterloo, Road,	1,200	.....	.....	1,200.00	...	1,200.00	...
87. Extension of Stabling at Kowloon Disinfecting Station, garage, and arrangement of workshop,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	13,000.00	14,000.00	...
88. Dust Station, Mongkoktsui, Pitt Street,	3,200	3,967.26	767.26	...	2,000.00	1,232.74	...
89. Slaughter House, Tai Kok Tsui,	5,000	.....	.....	5,000.00	25,000.00	30,000.00	...
90. Workshop and Quarters for Electrical and Telephone Staff,	10,000	.....	.....	10,000.00	...	10,000.00	...
91. Public Latrines, Urinals and Bath houses,	40,000	32,561.75	.....	7,438.25	34,500.00	41,938.25	...
<i>Communications.</i>							
92. Roads :—							
(a) Main Roads, Kowloon.	100,000	78,389.42	.....	21,610.58	94,000.00	115,610.58	...
(b) Improvements to existing main roads,	50,000	14,108.71	.....	35,891.29	50,000.00	85,891.29	...
(c) Waterloo Road Extension (100 feet wide) Section between Waterloo Road and the Kowloon Boundary (estimate for 50 foot width),	6,000	4,750.34	.....	1,249.66	...	1,249.66	...
(d) Tokawan Road (100 feet wide) Section between Kowloon City Road and K.M.L. 90,	200,000	126,730.11	.....	73,269.89	...	73,269.89	...
(e) Argyle Street, Extension to its junction with Waterloo Road,	42,000	3,500.00	.....	38,500.00	...	38,500.00	...
(f) New Road through King's Park and Cemeteries Area, Homuntin: formation of 30 foot width and Bridge across Railway 60 feet wide,	50,000	19,823.07	.....	30,176.93	...	30,176.93	...
(g) Laying Tramway,	25,000	2,412.69	.....	22,587.31	97,000.00	119,587.31	...
(h) General Works,	50,000	137,692.31	87,692.31	...	104,950.00	17,257.63	...
<i>Drainage.</i>							
93. Training Nullahs :—							
(a) Mongkoktsui Nullah East, extension through Railway Bridge,	50,000	39,020.46	.....	10,979.54	...	10,979.54	...
(b) Waterloo Road Nullah, extension to Temple,	16,000	8,509.40	.....	7,190.60	...	7,190.60	...
(c) Matauchung, training and diverting main stream course, ..	10,000	.....	.....	10,000.00	40,000.00	50,000.00	...
(d) Homuntin District, Training stream course in new Cemeteries Area,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00	...
(e) General Works,	10,000	9,395.81	.....	604.19	...	604.19	...
<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$ 4,621,600.00	5,535,164.92	2,828,239.41	1,914,674.49	3,386,490.85	2,781,003.66	308,077.73

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward</i>	4,621,600.00	5,535,164.92	2,828,239.41	1,914,674.49	3,386,490.85	2,781,003.66	308,077.73
Kowloon,—Continued.							
<i>Drainage,—Continued.</i>							
94. Miscellaneous Drainage Works:—							
(a) Matachung District, storm-water drainage,	10,000	.....	.....	10,000.00	...	10,000.00	...
(b) Main sewer from Fuk-tsun-heung to Kowloon Tong East of Railway,.....	35,000	.....	.....	35,000.00	...	35,000.00	...
(c) Kowloon Tong Oil Village area, Main storm water drain to Mong Kok Tsui Nullah,....	25,000	509.13	.....	24,490.87	...	24,490.87	...
(d) Waterloo Road Extension Storm Water Drainage,.....	15,000	150.00	.....	14,850.00	...	14,850.00	...
(e) General Works,	30,000	52,687.85	22,687.85	...	20,400.00	...	2,287.85
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>							
95. Filling in Tidal Flat and cutting down hill between Taikoktsui and Fuk Tsun Henng,	100,000	169,885.81	69,885.81	...	100,000.00	30,114.19	...
96. Kowloon Bay West Reclamation, 1st Section Area between New Reclamation line and Kowloon City Road and between San Shan and the proposed 100 foot road containing the Matachung Nullah,.....	50,000	47,878.50	.....	2,121.50	...	2,121.50	...
97. Furniture for Government Offices and Quarters,	12,000	10,930.12	.....	1,069.88	...	1,069.88	...
98. Chinese Cemeteries,—Laying out new areas,	8,000	10,960.04	2,960.04	...	4,353.84	1,393.80	...
99. King's Park, Laying-out Ground for Recreation purposes,	100,000	73,751.20	.....	26,248.80	...	26,248.80	...
100. Kai Tack Reclamation,.....	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	...	1,000.00	...
101. Government underground Cable Scheme, 1st Section,.....	40,000	26,139.23	.....	13,860.77	...	13,860.77	...
102. Providing Plant and opening out quarry at Taikoktsui,.....	75,000	14,591.00	.....	60,409.00	...	60,409.00	...
103. Miscellaneous Works,	10,000	12,820.01	2,820.01	...	8,000.00	5,179.99	...
<i>Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.</i>							
104. Compensation and Resumptions,	30,000	240,219.81	210,219.81	...	220,000.00	9,780.19	...
<i>Water Works.</i>							
105. Distributing Mains, Improvements and extensions,	20,000	17,407.35	.....	2,592.65	...	2,592.65	...
106. Piper's Hill Service Reservoir,	10,000	19,737.69	9,737.69	...	10,000.00	262.31	...
107. Kowloon Filter Beds Extension, Two new beds,.....	30,000	15,324.52	.....	14,675.48	...	14,675.48	...
108. Miscellaneous Water Works,.....	8,000	10,285.18	2,285.18	...	3,000.00	714.82	...
<i>Carried forward</i> ,.....	5,230,600.00	6,258,422.36	3,148,835.80	2,120,993.44	3,752,244.69	3,034,767.91	310,365.58

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATES.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward,</i>	5,280,600.00	6,258,422.36	3,148,835.80	2,120,993.44	3,752,244.69	3,034,767.91	310,365.58
New Territories.							
<i>Buildings.</i>							
109. Gaol and Police Training School, Ngau Shi Wan,	50,000	1,611.07	.....	48,388.93	.....	48,388.93	.....
110. New Police Station, Shatin,	10,000	23,312.17	13,312.17	.....	15,000.00	1,687.83	.....
111. Quarters for Indian Married Police,	15,000	13,065.19	.....	1,934.81	.....	1,934.81	.....
112. Quarters for Government Officers, North of Kaulungtung area,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....
113. Erection of a brick Bungalow at Tai Po for Public Works Department in place of the existing one,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....
114. Quarters for Inspector of Vernacular Education in the New Territories, Taipo,	20,000	18,000.00	.....	2,000.00	.....	2,000.00	.....
115. Block House for Police, Castle Peak,	3,000	3,434.90	434.90	.....	6,000.00	5,565.10	.....
116. District Sanitary Office, Shamshuipo,	5,000	.....	.....	5,000.00	.....	5,000.00	.....
117. New Lunatic Asylum,	10,000	1,121.98	.....	8,878.02	10,000.00	1,121.98	.....
118. Police Station, Kowloon City,	50,000	59,476.23	9,476.23	.....	35,000.00	25,523.77	.....
119. Police Station, Shamshuipo,	50,000	59,533.65	9,533.65	.....	35,000.00	25,466.35	.....
120. Cheung Chau School,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....
121. Un Long School,	1,000	.....	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....
122. Public Latrines, Urinals and Bath-houses,	15,000	63.60	.....	14,936.40	.....	14,936.40	.....
<i>Communications.</i>							
123. Roads :—							
(a) Metalling and tar-painting hilly portion of Lai Chi Kok-Castle Peak and Taipo Roads,	30,000	30,000.00	.....	.....	5,372.28	5,372.28	.....
(b) Taipo Market, kerbing and channelling, &c.,	5,000	4,800.07	.....	199.93	.....	199.93	.....
(c) Taipo Road,—Widening and improving from 5th milestone to Shatin,	1,000	4,000.00	3,000.00	.....	9,000.00	6,000.00	.....
(d) Widening eleven bridges,	10,000	7,298.15	.....	2,701.85	30,000.00	32,701.85	.....
(e) Surfacing and strengthening those portions of main road running through paddy,	30,000	47,398.04	17,398.04	.....	20,000.00	2,601.96	.....
(f) Extension of Roads in Kaulungtung Development Area,	20,000	4,430.84	.....	15,569.16	.....	15,569.16	.....
(g) Access Road from Tsun-wan to the proposed Water Works at Shun Mun Valley,	100,000	44,143.45	.....	55,856.55	.....	55,856.55	.....
(h) Waterloo Road extension (100 feet wide) Section between Kowloon Boundary to foot of hills S.E. of tunnel (estimate for 50 foot width),	5,000	8,500.00	3,500.00	.....	5,000.00	1,500.00	.....
(i) Fanling to Sha-tau-kok Road,	160,000	65,684.68	.....	94,315.32	.....	94,315.32	.....
(j) General Work,	30,000	43,423.44	13,423.44	.....	45,600.00	32,176.56	.....
<i>Drainage.</i>							
124. Training Nullahs :—							
(a) One side wall and invert of nullah on Eastern side of the Kaulungtung Development Scheme,	50,000	55,000.00	5,000.00	.....	16,000.00	11,000.00	.....
(b) Kaulungtung Development Area, connection of stream North of this area to main nullah,	50,000	.....	.....	50,000.00	.....	50,000.00	.....
(c) Shamshuipo, extension of existing Nanchang Street Nullah to Taipo Road,	20,000	13,346.56	.....	6,653.44	.....	6,653.44	.....
(d) General Works,	5,000	4,873.74	.....	126.26	.....	126.26	.....
<i>Carried forward,</i>	5,978,600.00	6,770,960.12	3,223,914.23	2,431,654.11	3,984,216.97	3,502,222.43	310,365.58

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED.	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward</i> ,.....	5,978,600.00	6,770,960.12	3,223,914.23	2,431,654.11	3,984,216.97	3,502,222.43	310,365.58
New Territories,—Continued.							
<i>Drainage,—Continued.</i>							
125 Miscellaneous Drainage Works:—							
(a) Main sewer from Fuk Tsun Heng in a North-easterly direction to Taipo Road,	25,000	.....	.....	25,000.00	...	25,000.00	...
(b) Storm water drains from Nau Chang Street Nullah in the direction of Kaulungton Villa-e.	15,000	1,293.46	.....	13,706.54	...	13,706.54	...
(c) Kaulungton Development Scheme, Sewers,.....	25,000	12,055.07	.....	12,944.93	...	12,944.93	...
(d) Kaulungton Development Scheme, portion of storm Water drains,.....	50,000	2,010.13	.....	47,989.87	...	47,989.87	...
(e) General Works,	20,000	37,682.71	17,682.71	...	33,000.00	15,317.29	...
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>							
126. Further Reclamation at Shamshuipo,	150,000	141,554.63	.....	8,445.37	20,000.00	38,445.37	...
127. Kaulungton Development Scheme:—							
(a) Resumption,.....	10,000	6,441.10	.....	3,558.90	50,000.00	53,558.90	...
(b) Excavation and-filling,	100,000	124,900.00	24,900.00	...	35,000.00	10,100.00	...
128. Construction of Water-boat Dock at Lai Chi Kok,	100,000	106,785.76	6,785.76	...	40,000.00	33,214.24	...
129. Refuse Dump,—Cheung Sha Wan, ...	1,000	1,053.34	53.34	...	53.34	...	...
130. Furniture for Government Offices and Quarters,	3,500	2,099.88	.....	1,400.12	...	1,400.12	...
131. Chinese Cemeteries,—Laying out new areas,	2,000	1,925.34	.....	74.66	...	74.66	...
132. Kowloon Bay East Reclamation, formation of Junk building and repairing yards,	50,000	75,162.01	25,162.01	...	25,162.01	...	...
133. Opening up of Quarry,	5,000	6,372.01	1,372.01	...	5,000.00	3,627.99	...
134. Miscellaneous Works,	15,000	14,844.17	.....	155.83	...	155.83	...
<i>Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.</i>							
135. Compensation and Resumptions,	20,000	66,335.08	46,335.08	...	70,000.00	23,664.92	...
<i>Water Works.</i>							
136. Extension of Kowloon Catchwater,	120,000	59,388.17	.....	60,611.83	...	60,611.83	...
137. Shing Mun Valley Scheme,.....	100,000	4,369.52	.....	95,630.48	...	95,630.48	...
138. Shek Lai Pui, Reservoir and Contingent Works,	200,000	143,733.98	.....	56,266.02	...	56,266.02	...
139. Fauling Water Works Scheme,.....	7,000	19.81	.....	6,980.19	...	6,980.19	...
Hongkong.							
140. Erection of Quarters for Scavenging Coolies, Wanchai, .....	...	51,528.08	.....	38,471.92	90,000.00	38,471.92	...
141. Market at Whitfield .....	...	5,794.96	.....	1,205.04	7,000.00	1,205.04	...
142. (a) Road connecting Broadwood Road with Wong-nei-cheong Road .....	...	15,360.71	360.71	...	15,000.00	...	360.71
143. (b) Conduit Road widening, .....	...	44,844.05	.....	155.95	45,000.00	155.95	...
144. Road from Aberdeen to Deep Water Bay beyond the Paper Mills, Aberdeen, .....	...	18,691.31	.....	7,308.19	26,000.00	7,308.19	...
145. Shaukiwan Road widening by Tai-koo Dock East Gate, .....	...	28,659.12	.....	11,340.88	40,000.00	11,340.88	...
146. Surfacing to Shek O Road, .....	...	3,954.50	.....	21,045.50	25,000.00	21,045.50	...
147. Alteration to Tramway between Ice House Street and Causeway Bay, .....	...	7,171.79	.....	718.21	7,890.00	718.21	...
148. New Road from Stubbs Road to Nursing House, .....	...	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	...
149. Installation of wireless at Waglan Light house and General Post Office, .....	...	3,241.98	.....	5,158.02	8,400.00	5,158.02	...
150. Motor Launch for taking soundings and making current observation, ...	...	.....	.....	450.00	450.00	450.00	...
<i>Carried forward</i> ,	6,997,100.00	7,759,233.29	3,346,565.85	2,851,172.56	4,539,172.32	4,077,765.32	310,726.29

ANNEXE B,—Continued.

HEADS AND SUB-HEADS.	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	PROVISION- ALLY VOTED.	BALANCE.	EXCESS.
	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Brought forward,</i>	6,997,100.00	7,759,233.29	3,346,565.85	2,851,172.56	4,539,172.32	4,037,765.32	310,726.29
Hongkong,—Continued.							
151. Reconditioning of Recreation Ground at Happy Valley,	1,078.17	.....	1,421.83	2,500.00	1,421.83	...
152. Harbour Cable Removing,	4,985.60	.....	14.40	5,000.00	14.40	...
153. New Cable for reserve area,	8,974.72	.....	25.28	9,000.00	25.28	...
154. Land Line of Cape D'aguilar route from Wongneicheong Valley to Wongneicheong Police Station,	7,954.75	.....	45.25	8,000.00	45.25	...
155. Whitfield Sanitary Depot Pier,	18,724.20	.....	1,275.80	20,000.00	1,275.80	...
156. Construction of a Dump for surplus materials at Wanchai Gap,	4,964.64	.....	35.36	5,000.00	35.36	...
157. Erection of sheds for 60 Chinese and 60 Indian Police in Berlin Mission Compound, Hospital Road,	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	...
158. Alteration to the Kitchen Building at the G. C. H.,	4,576.94	.....	423.06	5,000.00	423.06	...
159. New roof and general repairs to the Belilious Reformatory,	14,827.81	.....	172.19	15,000.00	172.19	...
160. Fitting and Furniture for Government offices in the New P. and O. Buildings,	16,091.60	.....	3,908.40	20,000.00	3,908.40	...
161. Installation of Valve Transmitting set for Cape D'aguilar Station,	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	...
162. Erection of shore marks and signs over the cable reserve,	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,450.00	...
Kowloon.							
163. Temporary School, Kowloon,	16,960.00	.....	1,040.00	18,000.00	1,040.00	...
164. Sextion Quarters Kowloon Cemetary,	8,496.34	.....	1,503.66	10,000.00	1,503.66	...
165. Conversion of old Yaumati Police Station into a Temporary Magistracy and equipment thereof,	16,598.91	.....	1.09	16,600.00	1.09	...
166. Married Quarters for Weihaiwei Police at Mong Kok Police Station,	528.97	.....	10,471.03	11,000.00	10,471.03	...
167. Dog's House, Kowloon,	207.66	.....	13,792.34	14,000.00	13,792.34	...
168. Erection of Married Quarters over the Garage at Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station,	10,394.77	.....	5,605.23	16,000.00	5,605.23	...
169. Extension to existing Market at Mong Kok-tsui,	15,500.00	.....	6,500.00	22,000.00	6,500.00	...
170. Improvements to the junctions of Gascoigne and Nathan Roads, Kowloon, and cutting away the hill,	62,387.05	.....	59,612.95	122,000.00	59,612.95	...
171. Installation of wireless Telephone at the Water Police Station and Cheung Chau Island,	2,629.36	.....	970.64	3,600.00	970.64	...
172. Wireless Receiving Station, Royal Observatory,	1,859.81	.....	640.19	2,500.00	640.19	...
173. Pier at Blackhead's Point,	45,377.45	.....	...	45,377.45	...	...
New Territories.							
174. Erection of the Lai Chi Kok Prison and the various Improvements,	33,754.91	.....	1,245.09	35,000.00	1,245.09	...
175. Filling in large area near Kowloon City,	25,214.92	.....	34,785.08	60,000.00	34,785.08	...
176. Development of the Road from Tai-po Market to Kuen Shan,	2,000.00	.....	1,000.00	3,000.00	1,000.00	...
177. Beacon Light, Cheung Chau Island,	10,481.77	.....	18.23	10,500.00	18.23	...
178. Two 2-ton Lorries N. T.	16,000.00	.....	...	16,000.00	...	...
179. Improvements to the Main Road by Railway Bridges, North West of Tai-po,	3,000.20	.....	...	3,000.20	...	...
...	...	8,112,803.84	.....	...	5,075,699.97	4,270,722.42	...
<i>Less (1)</i>	...	18.35	.....	(2)	2,031,300.00	2,031,300.97	...
Total Expenditure, P. W. E.	6,997,100	8,112,785.49	3,346,565.85	3,034,129.66	3,044,399.97	2,239,421.45	310,726.29

(1) Credit \$18.35—Amount overpaid in 1923 and recovered in 1924.

(2) Re-distribution of unexpended balance under The Head, passed on 22.5.24, C.S.O. 3620.24.

Annexe C.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS, 1924.
Monthly Consumption and Contents of Reservoirs (Millions of Gallons).

MONTH	POKFULAM.		TAITAM.				WONGNEICHONG.		TOTAL CON- TENTS OF IMPOUNDING RESERVOIRS.	COLLECTED FROM STREAMS.	TOTAL CON- SUMPTION (Filtered).	MINT DAM BLUE POOL AND SUPPLIES FROM POKFULAM CONDUIT (Unfiltered).	GRAND TOTAL.	RAIN- FALL AT OBSER- VATORY (Inches).	REMARKS.
	In Reser- voir 1st of month.	Delivered over gauge.	MAIN. In Reservoir 1st of month.	BY-WASH. In Reservoir 1st of month.	INTERMEDIATE. In Reservoir 1st of month.	TAITAM TUK. In Reservoir 1st of month.	Delivered over gauge.	In Reser- voir 1st of month.								Delivered over gauge.
Jan., .	66.72	17.96	385.78	...	209.42	1,187.66	233.79	12.75	1,812.33	11.46	263.21	4.23	267.44	1-080	Constant Supply in all Rider Main Districts throughout the year with the following exceptions:— Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts from 7th to 23rd May and from 25th June to 2nd July. Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts West of Eastern Street only from 5th May to 31st December.
Feb.,...	53.26	21.29	300.75	.28	195.90	1,080.32	208.42	10.22	1,590.73	9.83	239.54	3.53	243.07	4-510	
March,	43.94	22.01	265.04	1.64	126.07	986.98	237.02	10.22	1,433.89	7.09	266.12	4.29	270.41	0-180	
April.,	25.50	19.13	211.90	1.94	126.81	827.50	234.98	8.20	1,201.85	8.42	262.53	3.89	266.42	6-215	
May, .	13.44	18.99	173.70	2.35	61.18	753.16	213.95	7.55	1,011.38	3.06	244.55	3.32	247.87	16-875	
June, .	66.00	35.14	248.30	4.57	141.95	806.50	170.38	21.08	1,288.40	13.60	246.78	2.86	249.64	23-140	
July, .	66.00	47.28	384.80	22.37	195.90	1,282.60	170.63	27.82	1,979.49	17.58	267.06	2.54	269.60	19-675	
Aug., .	66.00	52.32	384.80	22.37	195.90	1,419.00	184.98	29.39	2,117.46	15.89	282.44	2.99	285.43	10-655	
Sept., .	61.60	41.67	351.40	9.72	195.90	1,419.00	221.77	15.88	2,053.50	11.60	280.58	3.64	284.22	6-440	
Oct.,...	52.90	24.06	292.30	1.14	202.06	1,349.24	238.95	13.08	1,910.72	10.48	287.20	2.91	290.11	9-090	
Nov., .	65.64	19.63	338.50	8.41	209.91	1,372.16	237.86	23.11	2,017.73	8.76	270.35	4.03	274.38	...	
Dec., .	55.64	14.39	321.59	1.40	208.38	1,196.85	238.08	16.04	1,799.90	9.13	261.60	4.17	265.77	0-710	
Total, 1924.	...	333.87	...	...	...	...	2,590.81	...	...	126.90	3,171.96	42.40	3,214.36	98-570
Total, 1923.	...	315.28	...	...	...	...	1,881.43	...	...	198.18	2,511.20	45.64	2,556.84	106-740
Increase or Decrease.	...	+18.59	...	...	...	...	+709.38	...	...	-71.23	+660.76	-3.24	+657.52	-8-170

Annexe D.
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS, 1924.
Particulars of Metered and Unmetered Supplies.
 (Millions of Gallons.)

MONTH.	FILTERED SUPPLY.							TOTAL METERED AND UNMETERED.	UNFILTERED SUPPLY (Metered).	GRAND TOTAL.
	UNMETERED.	METERED.					TOTAL.			
		CITY.	CITY.		HILL DISTRICT.					
			Trade.	Domestic.						
January, ..	208.41	34.16	19.50	6.14	59.80	263.21	4.23	267.44		
February, ..	178.45	35.88	20.21	5.00	61.09	239.54	3.53	243.07		
March, ..	207.30	34.01	19.39	5.42	58.82	266.12	4.29	270.41		
April, ..	197.94	38.14	21.20	5.25	64.59	262.53	3.89	266.42		
May, ..	170.32	40.90	27.39	5.94	74.23	244.55	3.32	247.87		
June, ..	177.65	35.95	27.38	5.80	69.13	246.78	2.86	249.64		
July, ..	199.11	34.93	27.51	5.51	67.95	267.06	2.54	269.60		
August, ..	206.32	40.69	29.94	0.49	77.12	282.44	2.99	285.43		
September, ..	202.94	39.40	30.53	7.71	77.64	280.58	3.64	284.22		
October, ..	213.21	38.11	29.29	6.59	73.99	287.20	2.91	290.11		
November, ..	195.44	37.40	31.15	6.36	74.91	270.35	4.03	274.38		
December, ..	185.87	39.11	31.04	5.58	75.73	261.60	4.17	265.77		
Total, 1924,	2,336.96	448.68	314.53	71.79	835.00	3,171.96	42.40	3,214.36		
Total, 1923,	1,795.23	416.15	236.57	63.25	715.97	2,511.20	45.64	2,556.84		
Increase or Decrease, ...	+ 541.73	+ 32.53	+ 77.96	+ 8.54	+ 119.03	+ 660.76	--	+ 657.52		

Annexe E.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS, 1924.
Water pumped in Hill District and High Levels of the City (Millions of Gallons).
 (Theoretical Displacement of Pumps.)

MONTH.	HILL DISTRICT.			HIGH LEVELS OF THE CITY.						GRAND TOTAL PUMPED.
	Motor.	Engine.	Total.	700' and 750' TANKS. (Conduit & Peck Roads District.)		600' and 650' TANKS. (Robinson Road District.)		Total.	Combined Totals.	
				Motor.	Engine.	Motor.	Engine.			
January,	6.14	6.14	4.81	4.81	3.45	5.66	9.11	13.92	20.06
February,	5.00	5.00	4.58	4.58	2.79	5.20	7.99	12.57	17.57
March,	5.42	5.42	5.33	5.33	2.66	5.29	7.95	13.28	18.70
April,	5.25	5.25	4.00	4.00	2.53	5.50	8.03	12.03	17.28
May,	5.94	5.94	4.79	4.79	2.22	6.00	8.22	13.01	18.95
June,	5.80	5.80	6.59	6.59	2.03	6.30	8.33	14.92	20.72
July,	5.51	5.51	6.13	6.13	2.35	6.65	9.00	15.13	20.64
August,	6.49	6.49	6.19	6.19	2.48	5.95	8.43	14.62	21.11
September,	7.71	7.71	6.25	6.25	2.23	6.00	8.23	14.48	22.19
October,	6.59	6.59	6.71	6.71	2.16	5.86	8.02	14.73	21.32
November,	6.36	6.36	6.33	6.33	2.12	5.55	7.67	14.00	20.36
December,	5.58	5.58	6.12	6.12	2.20	5.90	8.10	14.22	19.80
Total, 1924,	71.79	71.79	67.83	67.83	29.22	69.86	99.08	166.91	238.70
Total, 1923,	63.25	63.25	55.39	55.39	37.08	65.79	102.87	158.26	221.51
Increase or Decrease,...	...	+ 8.54	+ 8.54	+12.44	+12.44	- 7.86	+ 4.07	- 3.79	+ 8.65	+ 17.19

Note.—The 600 ft. Tank has been out of use since April. The figures given are approximations.

Annexe H.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS, 1924.

Contents of Reservoir and Details of Monthly Consumption (Millions of Gallons).

Month.	In Reservoir 1st of Month.	Metered Supply.		Unmetered Supply.	Grand Total.	Remarks.
		Trade.	Domestic.			
January,	330.24	17.67	5.76	41.47	64.90	Constant Supply in all districts throughout the year.
February,	281.96	16.71	6.61	34.22	57.54	
March,	254.01	17.99	6.52	40.62	65.13	
April,	195.32	19.55	7.29	36.54	63.38	
May,	151.25	20.74	8.53	42.94	72.21	
June,	204.88	18.52	8.35	42.41	69.28	
July,	352.50	20.79	9.11	45.29	75.19	
August,	352.50	20.98	10.07	47.47	78.52	
September,	352.50	24.02	10.63	45.30	79.95	
October,	374.00	20.90	9.36	47.21	77.47	
November,	377.60	22.61	9.42	41.07	73.10	
December,	336.15	21.07	9.54	41.23	71.84	
Total 1924,	241.55	101.19	505.77	848.51	
Total 1923,	192.05	77.20	420.66	689.91	
Increase or Decrease,	+ 49.50	+ 23.99	+ 85.11	+ 158.60	

Annexe K.

REPORT ON LAND SURVEY WORK FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1925.

1. *Organization.*—The Crown Land and Survey Office, which at present includes a staff of 16 European Surveyors, 6 Chinese Assistant Surveyors, 14 Chinese Apprentice Surveyors and a number of Chinese Student Surveyors, under the direction of an executive officer designated the Superintendent of Crown Lands, forms a branch of the Public Works Department.

The Superintendent of Crown Lands deals with all matters relating to Crown Lands, the whole of which are under the charge of the Director of Public Works. He submits reports on all applications for land, conducts all sales of areas to be let on long leases, issues permits for temporary occupation of land, rights to quarry etc., licences for temporary piers and slipways. He is also responsible for the preparation of lease plans for all lots granted on lease, permanent piers, etc., and the keeping of records.

There are two Principal Land Surveyors in charge of Survey Work, Hongkong, and Kowloon and New Territories respectively. They are responsible for all surveys (except Ordnance Survey) in their respective Districts. They also prepare recommendations re applications for land, exchanges, etc., and supervise the work of the Land Bailiffs.

Four Land Bailiffs whose time is wholly occupied in preventing illegal squatting and encroachment upon Crown Land, which are very common offences among the Chinese population, are attached to the office.

Eleven Chinese Draughtsmen, under the supervision of a European Chief Draughtsman, six Chinese Clerks, under the supervision of a European Clerk, and two Chinese Computers are employed in the office.

In addition to the above staff, there are 85 Survey Coolies receiving wages varying from \$11.00 to \$25.00 per month with allowances.

2.—*Surrey Staff.*

Officer.	Name.	Rate of Salary.	Present Salary.	Allowance.	Date of arrival in Colony.	Date of present rank.
Superintendent of Crown Lands	L. C. P. Rees	£825 to £950 by £25 annually, plus £100 charge allowance	£ 900 100	£360 per annum conveyance allowance	4-1-02	1-1-22
Principal Land Surveyor, Hongkong	E. B. Reed, P.A.S.I.	£725 to £850 by £25 annually	800	Do.	12-12-05	1-1-22
Do., Kowloon	H. West, P.A.S.I.	£650 to £850 by £25 annually	725	Do.	3-8-10	1-1-22
1st Class Land Surveyor	F. Sutton, F.S.I. (Col.)	£650 to £700 by £25 annually	675	Do.	29-7-08	20-6-23
Do.	E. B. Lambert, F.R.G.S.	£550 to £625 by £25 annually	625	Do.	27-12-13	15-11-20
Do.	B. H. C. Hallowes, B.A., B.A.I.	Do.	625	Do.	22-2-14	13-1-21
Do.	F. W. Wood	£650 to £700 by £25 annually	650	Do.	19-11-14	17-10-24
Do.	E. Larmour	£550 to £625 by £25 annually	625	Do.	19-11-14	17-10-21
2nd Class Land Surveyor	J. Angwin	£400 to £520 by £20 annually	460	Do.	12-6-21	7-5-21
Do.	C. H. Douglas	Do.	480	Do.	7-7-21	15-6-21
Do.	J. F. W. Plascott	Do.	420	Do.	8-2-24	4-1-24
Do.	C. H. Lamb	Do.	420	Do.	22-2-24	16-1-24
Do.	C. A. Carter	Do.	440	Do.	6-5-24	22-3-24

Officer.	Name.	Rate of Salary.	Present Salary.	Allowance.	Date of Arrival in Colony.	Date of present rank.
2nd Class Land Surveyor	R. Bell	£400 to £520 by £20 annually	£ 420	\$360 per annum conveyance allowance	3-5-24	28-3-24
Do.	P. O. Rogers	Do.	400	Do.	3-5-24	28-3-24
Do.	O. C. Womack, P. A. S. I.	Do.	520	Do.	15-6-24	31-5-24
1st Class Native Assistent Land Surveyor	Wong Hon	\$3,300 to \$4,500 by \$150 annually	\$ 3,600	Do.	Date of First Appointment.	1-1-19
Do.	Ng Ka-pui	Do.	3,600	Do.	2-1-11	1-1-21
2nd Class Native Assistent Land Surveyor	Yang Ching-chen	\$2,100 to \$3,000 by \$150 annually	2,100	Do.	11-10-24	11-10-24
Do.	Chan Pui-lau	Do.	2,100	Do.	1-2-13	1-1-25
Do.	Chen Hsi-fung	Do.	2,100	Do.	23-3-25	23-3-25
3rd Class Native Assistent Land Surveyor	Kwong Yuet-kwong	\$1,400 to \$2,000 by \$100 annually	\$ 1,400	\$180 per annum conveyance allowance	17-5-21	1-1-25
Do.	Lau Ming-cheung	Do.	1,400	Do.	17-5-21	1-1-25
Apprentice Surveyor	Li Wing-kwong	\$900 to \$1,500 by \$100 annually	1,100	Do.	1-5-22	1-1-23
Do.	Ng Po-lau	Do.	1,000	Do.	17-7-22	1-7-23
Do.	Leung Chick-wai	Do.	1,000	Do.	18-8-21	1-9-23

2.—Survey Staff.—Continued.

Officer.	Name.	Rate of Salary.	Present Salary.	Allowance.	Date of First Appointment.	Date of present rank.
Apprentice Surveyor	Chan Wing-cheung	\$900 to \$1,500 by \$100 annually	\$900	\$180 per annum conveyance allowance	14-3-22	1-1-24
Do.	Leung Wai-yenk	\$800 to \$1,100 by \$75 annually	950	Do.	17-5-21	1-1-25
Do.	Cheng Kun-hop	Do.	950	Do.	27-12-21	1-1-25
Do.	Sin Tat-hi	Do.	875	Do.	16-1-23	1-1-25
Do.	Tsang Chi-tai	Do.	875	Do.	16-1-23	1-1-25
Do.	Li Kam-chuen	Do.	875	Do.	19-3-23	1-1-25
Do.	Chau Yiu-man	Do.	800	Do.	31-12-23	1-1-25
Student Surveyor	Ng Wing	\$480 per annum	480	No conveyance allowance	25-1-24	25-1-24
Do.	Lai King-chau	Do.	480	Do.	25-1-24	25-1-24
Do.	Cheung U-kuen	Do.	480	Do.	22-2-24	22-2-24
Do.	Ng Ting-cheuk	Do.	480	Do.	29-4-24	29-4-24
Do.	Tan Shu-wing	Do.	480	Do.	8-7-24	8-7-24
Do.	Tong Fook	Do.	480	Do.	27-10-24	27-10-24
Do.	Lo Hok-kai	Do.	480	Do.	29-12-24	29-12-24
Do.	Wong Pui-wei	Do.	480	Do.	17-3-25	17-3-25

3.—Staff of Land Bailiffs, Computers, Clerks, &c.,

Officer.	Name.	Rate of Salary.	Present Salary.	Allowance.	Date of First Appointment.	Date of present rank.
Senior Land Bailiff	F. H. Dillon	£400 to £480 by £10 annually	£ 410	\$480 per annum conveyance allowance & \$120 per annum language allowance	16-6-01	1-9-23
Land Bailiff	A. C. Burford	£320 to £360 by £10 annually	360	\$480 per annum conveyance allowance	3-1-08	1-2-23
Do.	W. E. Hollands	Do.	320	\$480 per annum conveyance allowance & \$60 per annum language allowance	14-6-13	1-10-24
Do.	F. Brett	£270 to £320 by £10 annually	270	Do.	15-10-20	1-7-24
Computer	Pang In-ki	\$480 to \$1,200 by \$600 annually	\$ 540	No conveyance allowance	1-3-24	1-3-24
Do.	Chow Chuk-tong	Do.	480	Do.	5-5-24	5-5-24
Chief Survey Clerk	J. A. Howe	£400 annually	£ 360	\$270 per annum conveyance allowance	20-11-14	1-9-24
Clerk, Class III	Wong Yan-ming	\$1,600 to \$2,100 by \$100 annually	\$ 1,600	No conveyance allowance	9-1-06	1-3-25
Clerk, Class IV	Lai Ming-kai	\$1,200 to \$1,500 by \$75 annually	1,350	Do.	9-8-11	1-3-23
Clerk, Class V	Tam Wah-hon	\$900 to \$1,150 by \$50 annually	1,000	Do.	1-4-14	8-8-22
Do.	Chu Hin-loi	Do.	900	Do.	27-6-18	1-10-24
Clerk, Class VI	Cheung Shiu-ki	\$450 to \$850 by \$50 annually.	750	Do.	10-1-23	10-1-23

Officer.	Name.	Rate of Salary.	Present Salary.	Allowance.	Date of First Appointment.	Date of present rank.
Clerk, Class VI	Cheong Chee-yook	\$450 to \$850 by \$50 annually	\$ 550	No conveyance allowance	15-9-24	15-9-24
Chief Draughtsman	W. Smith	£360 to £400 by \$20 annually.	£ 400	\$180 per annum conveyance allowance	8-2-23	8-2-23
1st Class Draughtsman	Luk Kui	\$2,200 to \$2,800 by \$100 annually	\$ 2,200	No conveyance allowance	12-9-10	1-4-24
2nd Class Draughtsman	Lo Nam-chui	\$1,600 to \$2,100 by \$100 annually	1,600	Do.	9-6-16	1-4-24
3rd Class Draughtsman	Do Kam-loi	\$900 to \$1,500 by \$100 annually	1,000	Do.	13-6-16	8-11-23
Do.	Tang Chi-lun	Do.	900	Do.	20-2-13	1-4-24
Do.	Fung Kun	Do.	900	Do.	1-6-14	1-4-24
Do.	Fong Yau-leung	Do.	900	Do.	6-4-20	1-4-24
4th Class Draughtsman	Pang Hok-ling	\$450 to \$850 by \$50 annually	550	Do.	1-8-22	1-8-22
Do.	Leung Shaat-wing	Do.	750	Do.	14-1-24	30-1-25
Temporary Draughtsman	Fong Shaun-ting	\$720 annually	720	Do.	14-1-24	14-1-24
Do.	Tang King-ming	Do.	720	Do.	14-1-24	14-1-24
Do.	Lui Ting-mun	Do.	720	Do.	1-2-24	1-2-24

4. *Cost of Office.*—As the Survey Office forms part of the Public Works Department and is accommodated in the same building, the charges for numerous items such as lighting, heating, electric fans, etc., cannot be stated. Omitting these items, the following is a statement of the cost:—

Salaries,	\$167,783.75
Conveyance Allowances,	9,440.41
Wages for Coolies,	11,543.25
Rent for coolies,	3,394.71
Land Survey Contingencies,	540.64
Transport & Travelling Expenses, ..	2,190.66
Survey of Colony,	5,342.49
Incidental Expenses (General),	694.75
Rent Allowances,	7,556.50
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Total	\$208,487.16
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5. *Trigonometrical Work.*—New stations have been erected at Tai Mo Shan and Tsing I and those at Kai Keung Leung and Tai Lam Chung have been rebuilt to replace those which had been destroyed. The stations at Turret Rock and Cheng Shui Tan have been repaired. Observations have been taken from these stations and the field work is almost completed.

A new station was erected at Mt. Senhouse, Lama Island, and several other minor stations which had been fixed by an officer in charge of a survey which is being carried out by the Military Authorities were permanently marked.

6. *Topographical and Cadastral Surveys.*—The following were some of the more important and extensive surveys carried out during the year:—

	<i>Approximate area in acres.</i>
A contour survey of the new road and land adjoining between Wongneichong Gap and Repulse Bay.	60
An area between Aberdeen and Little Hongkong was surveyed and plotted.	172
Various areas at Pokfulam for re-adjustment of the Dairy Farm Co's holdings were also surveyed and plotted.....	245
An area at Lai Chi Kok was surveyed and contoured and the whole plotted to a scale of 50 ft. to an inch.	378
At Ho Mun Tin a contour survey was made and plotted in connection with various building sites.	42

An area at Kings Park was surveyed and contoured.	22
At Shan Tseng a survey was made in connection with an application by an industrial company.	23
A survey was made of Shek U Hui village and surrounding padi and plotted.	30
Various lots have been surveyed at Fanling but plotting has not been completed....	15
At Un Loong a survey has been completed and plotted.	26

A traverse of approximately 15 miles was run and checked between Castle Peak and Lai Chi Kok and permanent traverse marks fixed.

7. *Revenue Surveys.*—Although the applications for purchase of land were not so many as during the previous year they were still very great and necessitated many surveys for sale plans etc. Development was commenced of numerous lots sold in 1923 and the survey staff was engaged constantly in setting out building areas. More than 64 of such areas were defined in Hongkong and 220 in Kowloon and New Kowloon. In addition many lots on the reclaimed areas at Mong Kok and Tai Kok Tsui were also set out and numerous frontage lines to streets were checked. An area on the slopes of Jardine's Look Out containing about 82 acres was defined. Surveys were made for sale purposes of 32 lots in Hongkong, Kowloon and New Kowloon containing an area of 626,623 square feet which were put up to Public Auction and realized \$411,792.00 with a resultant annual Crown Rent of \$3,034.00.

Recommendations, Schedules and plans were prepared for exchanges of numerous Village Lots at Wongneichong in connection with the proposed development scheme, and of about 700 Village Lots and Lots not conforming with the Town Planning scheme in Kowloon and New Kowloon. The necessary exchanges of land were arranged for a number of lots in connection with street widenings.

8. *Ordnance Surveys.*—During the year the work of training Chinese Student Surveyors was continued under the supervision of a European Surveyor. The number at present engaged on the work is 17. The survey of the Western District and the City was continued and the City boundary which for a considerable distance on the Southern side follows the 700 ft. contour, has been defined from a point on the sea shore at Kennedy Town as far Eastward as Magazine Gap Road and boundary stones fixed at suitable points. The total area surveyed and plotted during the year was about 587 acres. An area of 452 acres has been reduced from a scale of 50 ft. to one inch to a scale of 200 ft. to an inch.

9. *Miscellaneous.*—A photographic aerial survey of the Colony was made by members of the Royal Air Force attached to H.M.S. Pegasus. Some weeks prior to the arrival of H.M.S. Pegasus, which was carrying out the work an officer arrived in the Colony, and in conjunction with the Survey Office fixed numerous ground marks for this purpose. All necessary information regarding trigonometrical values was supplied and assistance given in every way and the cost of same was borne by the Colonial Government. In conjunction with this survey a party in charge of an officer of Royal Engineers arrived in the Colony about the end of the year. All assistance that was possible was given the party to facilitate this work together with a complete list of all trigonometrical stations with the values of same. Other stations were fixed where necessary and the work of observing and valuing these is in hand. All stations fixed by the Royal Engineer party have been or will be permanently marked and co-ordinated with the present system. A reconnaissance of Lantao Island will be undertaken at the earliest opportunity with a view to completing the survey of this Island. This however will probably have to wait until next October when weather conditions are more suitable for this work.

An extensive area of about 378 acres was contoured at Laichikok for the Military Authorities in connection with the proposed reprovisioning of part of the garrison in this neighbourhood.

The following plans were prepared for official use during the year:—181 Lease plans (in triplicate), 19 Sale plans (in duplicate), 160 Tracings, and 6666 Sunprints etc. in connection with proposed sales, permits, etc., whilst 1640 permits for temporary occupation of Crown Land and 60 licences for temporary piers and slipways were issued.

10. The undermentioned officers were absent on leave during the year, viz:—

	<i>Sick Leave.</i>	<i>Vacation Leave.</i>
Mr. L. C. P. Rees	—	12 months
Mr. E. B. Reed	—	2 days
Mr. H. West	9 days	—
Mr. F. Sutton	2 days	4 days
Mr. E. B. Lambert	1 day	—
Mr. F. W. Wood	—	8 months
Mr. B. H. C. Hallowes	3 days	4 days
Mr. E. Larmour	23 days	—
Mr. J. Angwin	—	—
Mr. C. H. Douglas	—	2 days
Mr. J. F. W. Plascott	4 days	—
Mr. C. H. Lamb	28 days	11 days
Mr. C. A. Carter	—	—
Mr. R. Bell	7 days	—
Mr. P. O. Rogers	28 days	9 days
Mr. O. C. Womack	31 days	—
Mr. W. Smith	1 day	—
Mr. J. A. Howe	4 days	—

	<i>Sick Leave</i>	<i>Vacatio</i>	<i>Leave.</i>
Mr. F. H. Dillon	—		2 days
Mr. A. G. Burford	10 days		—
Mr. W. E. Hollands	29 days		—
Mr. F. Brett	—		—
Mr. Pang Iu Ki	—		—
Mr. Wong Chak Sang	—		—
Mr. Wong Hon	—		—
Mr. Ng Ka Pui	1 day		—
Mr. Chan Pui Lau	5 days		—
Mr. Sin Tat Hi	—		5 days
Mr. Cheung Kun Hop	3 days		4 weeks
Mr. Yang Ching Chun	—		1 day
Mr. Tsang Chi Tai	1 day		3 days
Mr. Luk Kui	9 days		7 days
Mr. Do Kam Loi	—	1 month and	10 days
Mr. Fung Kun	7 days		15 days
Mr. Tang Chi Lun	1 day		4 weeks
Mr. Fong Yau Leung	1 day		9 days
Mr. Pang Hok Ling	7 days		6 days
Mr. Leung Shau Wing	—		—
Mr. Tang King Ming	—		1 day
Mr. Fong Shan Ting	2 days		—
Mr. Lui Ting Man	—		—
Mr. Kwong Yuet Kwong	—		4 days
Mr. Lau Ming Cheung	—		—
Mr. Li Wing Kwong	2 days		5 days
Mr. Leung Chik Wai	—		—
Mr. Leung Wai Yeuk	2 days		—
Mr. Chan Wing Cheung	1 day		19 days
Mr. Li Kam Chuen	2 days		7 days
Mr. Chan Yiu Man	2 days		—
Mr. Ng Wing	—		—
Mr. Lai King Chau	—		—
Mr. Cheung U Kuen	—		—
Mr. Ng Ting Cheuk	—		—
Mr. Tam Shu Wing	—		—
Mr. Tong Fook-in	—		—
Mr. Lo Hok Kai	—		—
Mr. Wong Yau Ming	7 days		—
Mr. Lai Ming Kai	4 days		18 days
Mr. Chu Hin Loi	—		5 days
Mr. Cheung Shiu Ki	1 day		4 days
Mr. Cheong Chee Yook	—		1 day
Mr. Lo Nam Chui	1 day		20 days
Mr. Tam Wah Hon	5 days		—
Mr. Ng Po Lau	—		5 days

Staff &c.

The deaths of the following officers of the Survey Department occurred during the year:—

Mr. W. A. J. Cooper, 2nd Class Land Surveyor 10.2.25.
Mr. Pau Shui Chak, Apprentice Surveyor.

The following officers left the Survey Department during the year:—

Mr. R. N. M. Corner, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. Ho Wai Fan, Student Surveyor.
Mr. C. Choon Joon, Student Surveyor
Mr. Yu Shut Hing, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Ng Chi Man, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Shim Ah Hong, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Wong Chak Sang, Computer.
Mr. John Xavier, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Ho Yew Wing, 4th Class Draughtsman.

The following appointments were made to the Survey Department during the year:—

Mr. C. A. Carter, 2nd Class Land Surveyor.
Mr. R. Bell, do.
Mr. P. O. Rogers, do.
Mr. O. C. Womack, do.
Mr. Yang Ching Chen, 2nd Class Assistant Land Surveyor.
Mr. Chen Hsi Fung, 2nd Class Assistant Land Surveyor.
Mr. Ng Wing, Student Surveyor.
Mr. Lai King Chan, do.
Mr. Cheung U Kuen, do.
Mr. Ng Ting Cheuk, do.
Mr. Tam Shu Wing, do.
Mr. Tang Fook, do.
Mr. Lo Hok Kai, do.
Mr. Wong Pui Wei, do.
Mr. F. Brett, Land Bailiff.
Mr. J. A. Howe, Acting Chief Survey Clerk.
Mr. Cheung Chee Yook, 6th Grade Clerk.
Mr. Pang Lu Ki, Computer.
Mr. Chaw Chuck Tong, Computer.

Superintendent of Crown Lands.

23rd April, 1925.

Annexe L.

HARBOUR DEVELOPMENTS.

The following is the report of the work done by the Harbour Works Department for the year 1924 and will, in future years, form the report of the Port Development Department.

A new Department, entitled the Port Development Department, was created on the 14th August, 1924, with Mr. John Duncan, M.I.C.E., as the Port Engineer in charge. The P.W.D. staff attached to the Harbour Works Department was transferred to the new Department, and a full list of officers is appended below. The P.W.D. Accounts and Stores Office continued to carry out the accounting work of the newly established Department until the end of the year when it assumed entire control of its accounts and stores.

1. Harbour Developments.—This was referred to in paragraph 135 of last year's Report.

The work undertaken previous to August, 1924, involved principally the making of preliminary investigations in order to ascertain the practicability of developing certain portions of the harbour frontage, and interviewing various Government Officials, representatives of Shipping and Godown Companies and others, so as to obtain information for guidance in the preparation of a comprehensive scheme of harbour developments. For this purpose, various statistics relating to the shipping of this Port, and to the accommodation provided at other ports, were analysed.

On the 14th August, the Port Development Department was created and assumed the supervision of works, the accounts remaining under the control of the Public Works Department until the end of the year. During the latter part of the year, a report on the proposed Developments, illustrated by eleven drawings and two diagrams, was prepared by the new Department. In this report, it is proposed to extend the harbour limits to Lyemun on the East, and to include Laichikok on the West. Within these extended limits the following Schemes of Development are planned:—

(a.) North Point.—It is recommended that a wharf and junk basin should be constructed. The scheme when ultimately completed will provide 4,693 feet of wharfage with a depth of water alongside of 30 feet and 1,500 feet of wharfage with a depth of water alongside of 34 feet at L.W.O.S.T. for steamers, as well as junk wharfage aggregating a length of 4,390 feet with depths of 12 and 15 feet of water alongside at L.W.O.S.T.

(b.) Hongkong Central Scheme.—This includes reclaiming the sea-bed to 150 feet seaward of the existing praya wall, and extends from near Douglas Street to the Western Market, a length of about 2,960 feet. The scheme provides for the construction of six berths at the Eastern end and three ferry berths at the Western end. On the remainder of the frontage provision is made for the construction of eight piers, each 300 feet in length, for the accommodation of river steamboats, and three piers, each 160 feet in length, for the use of the Imports and Exports Department, for craft operated by the Harbour and Police Departments, and for the landing and temporary storage of building materials, respectively.

(c.) Vehicular Ferry Pier at Jordan Road.—It is proposed to provide a vehicular and passenger service between berths to be made at the Eastern end of the Hongkong Central Scheme and the end of Jordan Road, Kowloon.

This scheme provides for the construction of a berth designed in the form of a dock for the use of the vehicular ferries, and the reclamation of an area of sea-bed South of Jordan Road to accommodate the vehicular traffic.

(d.) Kennedy Town.—Here it is proposed to reclaim the foreshore for an average depth of about 200 feet, extending Westward from Cadogan Street, for a distance of about 2,470 feet, and to construct a wharf 350 feet in length having a depth of 30 feet of water alongside at L.W.O.S.T., as well as a T-shaped pier projecting seaward for a distance of about 70 feet, with a berthage length of 100 feet, together with other minor works.

This scheme is designed to provide better facilities for the landing and reception of live animals imported for consumption, and a better method of handling the meat trade.

(e.) Hunghom Bay Scheme.—This includes provision for the construction of 1,300 feet of wharfage adjoining the Holt's East Wharf and having a depth of 34 feet of water alongside at L.W.O.S.T. From an area to be reclaimed, and adjoining the Railway reclamation, it is proposed to project three jetties in an Easterly direction, which, together with other portions of the works, will form ship and junk basins. In addition to the 1,300 feet of wharfage referred to above, the scheme, when ultimately completed, will provide 7,420 feet of steamer wharfage, having depths of water alongside varying from 30 to 36 feet at L.W.O.S.T.; also 4,240 feet of junk berthage having 12 feet of water alongside.

A proposed development of the North-East corner of Hunghom Bay is designed to provide for the discharge and storage of imported coal and oil. A coal storage area is to be formed on three sides of a junk basin which will afford 1,375 feet of junk berthage, having a depth of 12 feet alongside at L.W.O.S.T.

Two piers, 350 feet in length, are to be constructed for the discharge and/or loading of coal. A pier, 300 feet in length, will serve for oil tankers to come alongside for the purpose of discharging fuel oil through pipe lines to storage tanks.

(f) Kowloon Point.—This scheme provides for the reclamation of a strip of land 100 feet in width parallel to the present frontage road of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's premises, and the construction of four jetties therefrom, in a South-Westerly direction. These jetties are designed to form ship and junk basins.

The carrying out of this scheme involves the construction of 7,140 feet of steamer wharfage, having depths of water alongside varying from 30 to 36 feet at L.W.O.S.T., and 4,930 feet of junk berthage having 12 feet of water alongside.

As regards the other portions of the harbour front, a scheme for the development of Kun Tong Bay is designed to show the possibilities of development in this neighbourhood. The seaward limits to which reclamations may be carried out, as fixed by the Town Planning Committee in 1922, were generally adopted.

It is proposed to carry out protective works at the Western Entrance of the Causeway Bay Typhoon Refuge. These works are rendered necessary by the construction of the Praya East Reclamation. Pending the provision of shelter in the Hunghom Bay Scheme, it is suggested that a temporary typhoon shelter be constructed on the East side of Kowloon Bay. Having regard to the amount of additional shelter which will be afforded by the construction of the proposed scheme of developments, it is recommended that no protective work should be carried out at the entrances to the Mongkoktsui Harbour of Refuge.

The report, which was signed by Mr. John Duncan, M. Inst. C.E., Port Engineer, was accompanied by two diagrams and eleven drawings.

2. Praya East Reclamation Scheme.—The works under this scheme were referred to in paragraph 159 of last year's Report and were placed under the control of the Port Development Department in August.

(a) Contribution by Government towards Fund for Reclamation.—

Having regard to the difficulties encountered, satisfactory progress was maintained during the year with the deposition of earth filling from Morrison Hill. A total of about 1,103,000 cubic yards of filling materials was deposited in the reclamation area by the end of the year, the aggregated area of land formed being 36 acres.

The total length of trench dredged amounted to 3,710 feet, of which 2,800 feet was filled in with pell-mell rubble. On this rubble mound, sea-wall foundation blocks 1,100 feet in length, were laid, and a length of 880 feet of the sea-wall was completed, except for the fixing of the cope stones. About 90% of the total quantity of ashlar required for the sea and quay-walls was prepared.

The foundations of the twin storm-water culverts were completed for a distance of 390 feet during the year, as well as 325 feet of the storm-water culverts as an extension to the culvert in Wanchai Road, and about 600 feet of 21" sewer on the reclamation area near Heard Street.

Due to the approach of the excavation, it was necessary to demolish houses 1 to 4 on Morrison Hill.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$97,000.00	Total Revised
1924 Expenditure,...	\$64,046.00	Expenditure to

(b) Road Improvements at Arsenal Street.—Resumption and alteration of Buildings.—This work was delayed pending the resumption of property at Arsenal Street. No expenditure was, therefore, incurred during the year.

(c) Morrison Hill District Development, Retaining Walls and Storm-water Culverts.—The construction of a retaining wall to support the North side of Gap Road from near the Monument was completed for a distance of 420 feet.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$10,000.00	| Total Estimates, ...\$486,000.00
1924 Expenditure,...	\$ 7,978.72	| 31.12.24\$ 11,937.19

3. Filling in Tidal Flat and cutting down Hills between Taikoktsui and Fuk Tsun Heung.—This work was referred to in paragraph 176 of the Report of the Director of Public Works for last year.

Progress was maintained in the work of depositing filling material obtained by cutting down the hills between Taikoktsui and Fuk Tsun Heung. A total quantity of about 75,000 cubic yards of filling was deposited during the year.

The work of dredging the trench in front of the extended reclamation was completed, and about 1,023 lineal feet of this trench filled with pell-mell rubble to the sea-wall foundation level.

The extension Southwards to the reinforced concrete bridge, Ivy Street, was continued.

Work on the bridge to be constructed South of Ivy Street for the purpose of carrying road and rail traffic was commenced by driving the reinforced concrete piles to form the foundations.

The contract for filling in about 8 acres of the tidal flat North of the Laichikok Road was almost completed at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates, ...\$100,000.00	Total Estimates, ..\$780,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ... 100,000.00	
\$200,000.00	Expenditure to
1924 Expenditure, \$169,885.81	31.12.24 .....\$349,874.04

4. Further Reclamation at Shamshuiyo.—This work was referred to in paragraph 199 of the Report of the Director of Public Works for last year.

The dumping of earth filling from the cutting at Mongkok was continued by locomotives and side tipping wagons. The transport of filling material from the cut above Taipo Road was continued by Decauville trucks. Towards the end of the year, the contractor was permitted to obtain filling material by cutting down to formation level the hill on the railway reserve at Mongkok. The quantity of earth filling deposited in the reclamation during the year amounted to about 700,000 cubic yards.

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Satisfactory progress was made with the construction of the nullah side-wall to protect the Western boundary of the reclamation. A total length of 602 feet of nullah wall was completed at the end of the year, except for the fixing of the coping.

The contract time expired on the 31st October. Since that date, the contractor's certificates have been subject to a deduction of \$500 per week, being the penalty for non-completion of the work in contract time.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$150,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$730,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	30,000.00		
	\$180,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$141,554.63	31.12.24,	\$500,653.36

5. Construction of Water-boat Dock at Laichikok.—This work was referred to in paragraph 201 of the Report of the Director of Public Works for last year.

At the end of the year, the dredging of trenches for the quay-wall rubble mound foundations, and the deepening of the dock to the required levels were completed, except for the water cushion area at the Northern end, and the greater portion of the rubble foundation for the quay-wall was deposited. The construction of the round head on the West side, and 86 lineal feet of quay wall were almost completed.

Of the 640 lineal feet of nullah wall to be constructed, about 490 feet was completed and the concrete foundations for a further 45 feet were in place.

1924 Estimates, ...	\$100,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$440,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote, ...	40,000.00		
	\$140,000.00	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$106,785.76	31.12.24,	\$189,650.72

6. Kowloon Bay East Reclamation, Formation of Junk Building and Repairing Yards.—This work was referred to in paragraph 205 of the Report of the Director of Public Works for last year.

The work of depositing earth filling for the reclamation was continued. Progress with this work was not very satisfactory owing to the prevalence of Malarial Fever, and the difficult nature of the excavations from which the filling material was obtained. The total quantity of filling deposited during the year amounted to about 92,000 cubic yards.

The dredging of the trenches for the rubble mound was completed and the greater portion of the pell-mell rubble deposited.

1924 Estimates,	\$50,000.00	Total Estimates,.....	\$175,000.00
1924 Sup. Vote,.....	25,162.01		
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	\$76,162.01	Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$75,162.01	31.12.24,	\$ 77,886.10

7. Ferry Piers.—This work was referred to in paragraph 127 of the Report of the Director of Public Works for last year.

With the exception of preliminary surveys made for the purpose of determining the location of the ferry piers on the Hongkong side of the Harbour, no work was undertaken under this vote during the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$5,000.00	Total Revised	
		Estimate,	\$300,000.00
		Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 524.69	31.12.24,	\$161,480.52

8. Ferry Piers for Vehicular Traffic.—This work was referred to in paragraph 128 of the Report of the Director of Public Works for last year.

With the exception of a preliminary survey of the site for the vehicular ferry pier on the Hongkong side of the Harbour, no work was carried out under this vote during the year.

1924 Estimates,.....	\$10,000.00	Total Estimates, ...	\$600,000.00
		Expenditure to	
1924 Expenditure, ...	\$ 529.77	31.12.24,	\$ 560.39

9. Kennedy Town Reclamation.—During the year, the original design of this work was amended and the works will now form part of the Proposed Harbour Development Scheme.

Actual construction had not commenced at the end of the year.

1924 Estimates,	\$ 1,000.00	Total Revised	
1924 Expenditure,....	—	Estimate,	\$ 1,626,000.00

WORKS NOT APPEARING IN ESTIMATES.

10. Quay Wall at M. Ls. 430 & 431, North Point.—During the year, a contract was prepared on behalf of the Ching Siong

Land Investment Co.,—lessees of M. Ls. 430 & 431, North Point,—for the construction of a quay-wall aggregating a length of 1,693 feet to be built in blockwork and to provide a depth of water alongside of 30 feet below Hongkong Ordnance Datum, together with the construction of return walls at the Eastern and Western extremities. The contract for the work was let in June to the Netherlands Harbour Works Co. at a lump sum price of \$1,950,000.00.

At the end of year, about 150,000 cubic yards of material was dredged within the lines on which it is proposed to construct the quay-wall, and about 1,100 cubic yards of rubble blockwork therefor was manufactured. Certificates passed for payment amounted to \$128,606.70.

STAFF.

11. The following members of the Public Works Department Staff were transferred to the new Port Development Department in August:—

Mr. John Duncan	as Port Engineer.
Mr. Adam Anderson	„ Deputy Port Engineer.
Mr. Andrew Nicol	„ Senior Assistant Engineer.
Mr. E.S.S. Bowman	„ Assistant Engineer.
Mr. G.R. Fenton	„ „ „
Mr. W.I.S. Key	„ „ „
Mr. W. Shaw	„ 1st Class Overseer.
Mr. R.A. Hyne	„ 2nd „
Mr. Hon Tsung-kan	„ 2nd Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Mark Kei-shun	„ 5th Class Clerk.
Mr. Li Man-tsung	„ 4th Class Draughtsman.
Mr. Wong King-chung	„ „ „
Mr. Li Man-shing	„ „ „
Mr. Pau Yuk-ming	„ „ „
Mr. Lai Mee-kan	„ „ „
Mr. Cheung Yui-po	„ „ „

New appointments were made as follows:—

Mr. P.C.C. Nielsen	as 1st Class Overseer (Diver).
Mr. W. Bruce	„ 2nd „
Mr. Tang Pak-hi	„ 6th Class Clerk.