

ABSTRACT of CASES brought under COGNIZANCE at the Police Magistrates' Court during a period of Ten Years from 1st January, 1867, to 31st December, 1876, inclusive.

Years.	Total Number of Cases.	CASES NOW DISPOSED OF, AND THE NUMBER OF MALE AND FEMALE PRISONERS UNDER EACH HEAD.															
		Convicted and Punished.		Discharged.		Committed for Trial at Supreme Court.		Committed to Prison or detained pending Orders of His Excellency the Governor.		Ordered to find Security.		Punished for Preferring False Charge or giving False Testimony.		Undecided.		Total Number of Defendants.	
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1867	5,983	7,150	785	2,398	169	142	13	57	18	144	5	64	15	31	1	9,986	956
1868	5,969	7,469	1,101	2,237	281	123	10	36	...	254	28	48	19	22	...	10,209	1,439
1869	4,731	4,413	504	1,998	186	120	9	9	2	295	23	41	8	32	...	6,908	732
1870	5,936	5,702	669	2,065	261	127	1	12	...	336	28	49	6	70	14	8,352	919
1871	6,400	6,143	673	2,406	311	148	1	28	...	414	16	40	7	32	9	9,211	1,017
1872	9,950	11,185	999	2,426	294	187	23	44	1	271	19	23	8	13	1	14,099	1,345
1873	9,137	8,810	1,352	1,798	260	67	10	15	...	171	20	87	10	35	6	10,933	1,673
1874	8,079	6,636	1,135	1,651	269	101	2	51	1	175	21	50	2	21	6	8,665	1,436
1875	8,035	6,749	890	1,632	281	95	9	4	...	190	29	23	7	20	1	8,713	1,217
1876	9,103	7,315	683	1,744	300	118	11	6	...	174	23	25	7	20	...	9,402	1,024

C. MAY,  
1st Police Magistrate.

Magistracy, Hongkong, 19th February, 1877.

CORONER'S INQUESTS.

TABLE A.—Return of all Coroner's Cases, 1876.

Nationality.	Inquest Held.					Buried without Inquest.					Grand Total.	
	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	1876.	1875.
Europeans and Americans, .....	15	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	..	...	15	16
Chinese, .....	34	15	...	...	49	16	2	43	25	86	135	106
Malays and Indians, .....	3	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	2	5	4
Total, .....	52	15	...	...	67	18	2	43	25	88	155	126

TABLE B.—Return of Inquests, 1876.

Verdicts.	Europeans and Americans.		Chinese.				Indians and Malays.	Manila-men.	Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Men.	Men.	
Accidental Death, .....	1	...	11	2	...	...	1	...	15
Accidentally Drowned, .....	7	...	6	2	...	...	...	...	15
Alcoholism, .....	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Felo de Se, .....	1	...	4	4	...	...	...	...	9
Found Dead, (Cause of Death unknown), .....	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
Manslaughter, .....	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Murder, .....	...	...	3	1	...	...	2	...	6
Natural Causes, .....	4	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	7
Do., In Gaol, .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Overdose of Opium, .....	...	...	2	4	...	...	...	...	6
Suicide while Insane, .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total, .....	15	...	35	14	...	...	3	...	67

TABLE C.—Return of Burials without Inquest, 1876.

Reason why no Inquest was held.	Europeans and Americans.		Chinese.				Indians.	Total.	Found on Shore.		Found in Harbour.	
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Men.		Known.	Unknown.	Known.	Unknown.
No suspicious Circumstances, ...	...	...	13	2	17	11	2	45	13	21	3	8
No evidence of State of Body, ...	...	...	3	...	26	14	...	43	...	23	...	20
Total, .....	...	...	16	2	43	25	2	38	13	44	3	28

J. RUSSELL,  
Coroner.

Coroner's Office, Hongkong, 19th February, 1877.