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## CURRENCY, BANKING, WEIGHTS, AND MEASURES.

Average Rate of Exchange with London during the past year.	List of coins current with relative value.	Legal tender currency giving particulars and Legislative Authority.	Estimated Amount of Coin in Circulation.	Estimated Amount of paper money in Circulation.	
				Colonial Government.	Private Banks.
Demand. <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 2.     7½	The Hongkong silver dollar. Mexican dollar. British dollar. All of equal value. Subsidiary coin : <i>Silver.</i> 50 cents. 20   " 10   " 5    " <i>Copper.</i> One cent. A dollar contains 100 cents.	Current silver dollar no limit. Subsidiary silver coin up to \$2. Copper cents up to \$1.  Authority in Order of H. M. the Queen in Council of 2nd February, 1895, published in <i>Hongkong Government Gazette</i> , Notification No. 128 of 30th March, 1895.	Silver dollar no estimate.  Subsidiary coin \$21,264,370.96	<i>Nil.</i>	\$ 29,160,029

Currency in which Accounts are kept.		Weights and Measures in common use, and their equivalents in Imperial Weights and Measures.	Particulars of all Banks doing business in the Colony.					
By Govt.	By the Public.		Name of Bank.	Number of Establishments in the Colony.	Under what authority established.	Capital paid up.	Note Circulation in the Colony.	Amount of Deposits in the Colony.
Dollars and cents.	Dollars and cents.	<b>BRITISH.</b> — The Imperial Weights and Measures. — <b>CHINESE.</b> <i>Weights.</i> <i>Avoirdupois.</i> 1 <i>Fan</i> = 0.133 oz. (candareen) 1 <i>T'sin</i> = 0.133 " (mace) 1 <i>Leung</i> = 1½ " (tael) 1 <i>Kan</i> = 1½ lb. (catty) 1 <i>Tām</i> = 133½ " (picul)  <i>Length.</i> 1 <i>Ch'ek</i> equal to 14½ English inches, divided into 10 <i>Ts'ün</i> and each <i>Ts'ün</i> into 10 <i>Fan</i> .	Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.	1	Ordinance No. 2 of 1866.	15 Million dollars.	\$ 21,433,096	No information.
			Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.	1	British Govt. Charter of 29-12-53.	£1,200,000	6,577,429	
			Mercantile Bank of India.	1	.....	£562,500	1,149,504	
			International Banking Corporation.	1	Established under authority of State of Connecticut Senate Resolution January, 1901.	G. \$3,250,000		
			Banque de l'Indo-Chine.	1	.....	Frs. 12,000,000		
			Russo-Asiatic Bank.	1	.....	Rbs. 45,000,000		
			Yokohama Specie Bank.	1	.....	Y. 30,000,000		
			Bank of Canton, Limited.	1	.....	\$1,066,250		
			Bank of Taiwan.	1	.....	Y. 6,250,000		
			Netherlands-India Commercial Bank.	1	.....	£1,242,112		
			Netherlands Trading Society.	1	.....	£5,000,000 (f. 60,000,000)		
			and numerous native Hongs doing some portion of banking business.					

