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GAOLS AND PRISONERS.

STATISTICAL RETURN FOR THE PRISONS OF HONGKONG FOR 1917.

Name and Nature of the Prisons, (Whether "Common Gaol," "Penitentiary," &c.) Mere "Lock-ups" not to be inserted.	Total Number of Persons Committed in 1917.	Number Committed for Debt, Want of Bail, and Punishment.			Number of those Committed who have been previously Convicted.			Number of Persons Committed to "Penal Imprisonment,"* including "Penal Servitude," (if that term is used in the Colony to describe any Punishment).				The Daily Average Number in Prison.	The Number of Admissions to Hospital during the Year 1917.	The Daily Average Number on the Sick List.	The Number of Deaths during 1917.
		For Debt.	For Safe Custody till Trial or for Want of Security.	For Purposes of Penal Imprisonment.*	Once.	Twice.	Thrice or more.	For Five Years or more.	For One Year or more, but less than Five Years.	For more than Three Months, and less than One Year.	For Three Months or less.				
"Victoria Gaol,"—Common Gaol, House of Correction, also receives Prisoners sentenced to Penal Servitude, &c.,	3,386	52	628	2,706	286	119	15	51	74	256	2,325	600	...	...	...
Total.....	3,356	52	628	2,706	286	119	15	51	74	256	2,325	600	...	...	...
Men,	3,186	50	587	2,549	283	116	15	51	70	234	2,194	561	} 252	} 9.2	} 10
Women,	147	2	41	104	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	4	21	79	38			
Juveniles,	53	Nil.	Nil.	53	3	3	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	1	52	1			

* By "Penal Imprisonment" is meant imprisonment inflicted as a substantive punishment in pursuance of a sentence of a Court of Justice, as distinguished from imprisonment for safe custody, &c.

THESE QUESTIONS ARE TO BE FILLED UP IN RESPECT OF EACH PRISON IN THE COLONY.

*Questions.**Answers.*

I.—If the Prison is on a separate system, is the separation complete? And, if not, what is the separation enforced by day and night respectively?

The Victoria Gaol is nearly on the separate system.

II.—If not on the separate system, what provision is there for the supervision of the prisoners while in association?

All cell doors are provided with inspection holes through which the prisoners can be seen by the officers patrolling the wards. While at labour or exercise the prisoners are at all times under the immediate supervision of Principal Warders, Warders, and Assistant Warders.

III.—How many cells are there; and how many associated wards?

There are 655 cells on the separate system, 12 associated cells and 1 condemned cell.

IV.—Taking the *average* number of prisoners in Gaol, how many cubic feet of space are there for each prisoner during the hours of sleep?

In separate.....664 cubic feet.
In association(approximate) 200 ,, ,,

V.—How are the prisoners classified?

In classification their sentence and nationality are taken into consideration; they are classified as follows, viz.:—

Europeans, Indians, and Chinese.

Debtors.	|	First offenders.
Misdemeanants.		Habitual criminals.
On remand and awaiting trial.		Juvenile offenders.

All the prisoners of the above classes are separated at night, and in the yards, as much as possible.

Questions.

VI.—Is penal labour—that is, labour by tread-mill, crank, or shot-drill—in force?

VII.—If so, during what periods of imprisonments, in respect of what classes of prisoners, and during how many hours, is such penal labour enforced? In stating hours of tread-wheel labour, give, first, the total time on and off at the wheel, etc.; secondly, the length of spells and intervals of rest.

VIII.—What kind of labour, other than penal labour is in use?

IX.—If the prisoners are employed beyond the walls of the Gaol, state—

1. On what kind of work they are so employed?
2. How are they supervised?
3. How many escapes of prisoners, while being employed beyond the Gaol, have taken place during each of the last three years?
4. How are the profits of their labour accounted for?

X.—What was the total annual cost of the Prison during the year 1917?

XI.—What was the annual amount of the prisoners' earnings during 1917?

XII.—What is the number of the hours allotted for sleep? And, if sleep is in association, are the dormitories lighted? and how often are they patrolled during the night?

Answers.

There is no tread-labour, but shot-drill, crank-labour, carrying stone and stone breaking are in force.

The hours of labour throughout the year are from the 1st March to the 31st October from 6.15 a.m. to 4 p.m., and from the 1st November to the 28th February from 6.45 a.m. to 4 p.m., one hour being allowed for dinner. Prisoners at crank labour, full task, have to complete 12,500 revolutions at a 12 lb. pressure. European and Chinese prisoners at shot-drill do $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours in spells of half an hour at a time, with stone-carrying or oakum-picking in the intervals.

Tailoring, shoe-making, soap-making, carpentering, grass and coir mat making, rattan work, printing, book-binding, tinsmithing, washing, cleaning, and incidental repairs to the Prison buildings.

Prisoners have not been employed outside the Gaol during the year.

The total expenditure of the Gaol in 1917 was \$108,212.43, of which the sum of \$1,587.10 was refunded for the subsistence of Military Court Martial prisoners, Debtors, &c., as follows:—

Debtors,.....	\$ 313.00
Prisoners sentenced by the Marine Magistrate,	354.90
Wei-hai-wei Prisoners,.....	438.00
Shanghai Prisoners,.....	219.00
Yunnanfu Prisoners,.....	27.30
Military Prisoners,	62.40
Waste Food sold,	67.50
Forfeitures,	105.00
	\$1,587.10

The total amount paid into the Treasury during the year on account of Prison Industrial Labour was \$3,601.08, of which \$80.69 was for 1916, and \$3,520.39 for 1917.

The average time during which the prisoners sleep is about 11 hours in 24.

The cells of the Victoria Gaol are not lighted, but gas is kept burning in all passages and corridors, and the Assistant Warders on duty are provided with lamps to throw light into the cells when required.

Assistant Warders are on duty in the Gaol throughout the night, and patrol the corridors, passages and yards of the prison constantly. The patrols are visited every hour by a Principal Warden. The Assistant Superintendent makes one surprise visit each week after 9 p.m.

*Questions.**Answers.*

XIII.—What were the number and nature of the punishments inflicted for offences committed by prisoners undergoing imprisonment?

The number of prisoners reported during the year was 983; they were punished in the manner detailed below, viz. :—

8	with Rice and Water 1 day.	
164	" " " 2 days.	
380	" " " 3 "	
58	" " " 4 "	
77	" " " 5 "	
12	" " " 6 "	
32	" " " 7 "	
—	" " " 14 "	
5	" Solitary Confinement on Rice and Water 1 day.	
2	" " " " 2 days.	
—	" " " " 3 "	
4	" " " " 5 "	
1	" " " " 6 "	
18	" " " " 7 "	
—	" Bread and Water 1 day.	
—	" " " 2 days.	
—	" " " 3 "	
—	" Solitary Confinement on Bread and Water 1 day.	
7	" Crank.	
51	" Forfeited Marks.	
4	" Whipping awarded by the Assistant Superintendent (Birch).	
—	" Whipping awarded by the Assistant Superintendent and two Justices of the Peace (Birch).	

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XIV.—Is there, or are there, any Chaplain or Chaplains of any, and what, religious persuasions?

XV.—Are religious services regularly, or otherwise, performed for the benefit of the prisoners of any, and, if any, what, religious persuasions?

XVI.—Are Roman Catholic Priests and Dissenting Ministers allowed free access to prisoners of their own persuasion? and are they apprised when prisoners of their respective persuasions enter the Prison?

XVII.—What provision is made for the education of prisoners?

XVIII.—On what conditions are remissions of imprisonment granted?

XIX.—Have Coroner's Inquests been held on every occasion of a death in Prison during the past year? and what were the verdicts?

XX.—1. What was the sanitary state of the Prison during the year 1917?

2. What were the prevailing diseases?

Protestant and Roman Catholic Chaplains are appointed.

Religious services were held for the Church of England prisoners every Sunday.

The Prison is also visited by Roman Catholic Priests, who hold a service for both European and Chinese prisoners of that persuasion.

A religious service is also held regularly every Sunday morning for the benefit of Chinese prisoners by native clergymen belonging to St. Stephen's Church. Attendance voluntary.

They are allowed free access to the Prison at such hours as do not interfere with the discipline of the Prison. Intimation is immediately sent to any Minister or Priest, if at any time a prisoner expresses a desire to see him.

None; but all are supplied with religious and other useful books.

Every prisoner under a first sentence of imprisonment with hard labour for two years or upwards may earn remission of sentence by industry accompanied by good conduct.

The maximum remission obtainable by male and female prisoners is $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sentence respectively.

Prisoners undergoing a second sentence of imprisonment with hard labour for two years or upwards are not allowed the privilege of earning any remission of their sentence during the first year of such second sentence; but if their conduct and industry during the first year be approved of by the Assistant Superintendent of the Prison they are allowed the privilege of earning a remission of $\frac{1}{4}$ part in the case of a male prisoner, and in the case of a female prisoner $\frac{1}{3}$ part of the remainder of their sentence on the same terms as prisoners under a first sentence.

Prisoners sentenced a third time or oftener to imprisonment with hard labour for two years or upwards are not allowed to earn any remission of sentence.

Others have had portions of their sentences remitted on medical grounds, &c.

Yes, during the year there were 10 deaths—natural causes 8, execution 1, and suicide 1.

Good.

Skin:—Scabies and Ringworm.

Internal Organs:—Pulmonary and digestive disorders.

Questions.

XXI.—What are, shortly, the rules as to diet?

Answers.

The diets of prisoners in Victoria Gaol are in accordance with the following Rules and Regulations :—

DIETS FOR EUROPEAN PRISONERS.

CLASS 1.			CLASS 2.			CLASS 3.			
Meals.		Men, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age, without Hard Labour.		Men with Hard Labour.	Men without Hard Labour, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age.		Men with Hard Labour.	Men without Hard Labour, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age.	Debtors, Misdemeanants of the First Class, Prisoners on Remand and for Trial.
Breakfast.	Daily, Bread.	8 oz.	Daily, } Bread, } Gruel,	8 oz. 1 pint.	6 oz. 1 pint.	Sunday, } Tuesday, } Bread, Thursday, } Gruel, Saturday, } Monday, } Bread, Wednesday, } Cocon, Friday, }	6 oz. 1 pint.	6 oz. 1 pint.	6 oz. 1 pint.
Dinner,	Daily, { Rice, } Salt,	8 oz. ¼ oz.	Sunday, } Bread, } Potatoes, Wednesday, } Suet Pudding,	4 oz. 8 oz. 8 oz.	4 oz. 6 oz. 6 oz.	Sunday, } Bread, } Rice, } Fish, } Curry Stuff, Monday, } Bread, } Potatoes, Wednesday, } Cooked meat Friday, } without bone, } Soup,	4 oz. 8 oz. 8 oz. 4 oz. 4 oz. 10 oz.	4 oz. 6 oz. 8 oz. 5 drs. 4 oz. 8 oz.	4 oz. 6 oz. 8 oz. 5 drs. 4 oz. 8 oz.
Supper,	Daily, Bread.	8 oz.	Daily, } Bread, } Gruel,	6 oz. 1 pint.	6 oz. 1 pint.	Daily, } Bread, } Gruel,	6 oz. 1 pint.	6 oz. 1 pint.	6 oz. 1 pint.

The terms to which the above Diets for European Prisoners shall be severally applied shall be those set forth in the following Table :—

Term.	Class 1.	Class 2.	Class 3.
Seven days and under,	Whole term.	.....	.....
More than seven days and under three months,	Seven days.	Remainder of term.	.....
More than three months, . . . . .	.....	Three months.	Remainder of term.

INGREDIENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

(EUROPEAN DIETS.)

Soup,	Each pint to contain 3 ounces meat without bone ; one ounce onions ; one ounce barley ; 4 ounces Greens, yams, sweet potatoes or taro ; with pepper and salt.
Gruel,	Each pint to contain 2 ounces oatmeal ; one ounce molasses ; with salt.
Suet Pudding,	To every pound 1½ ounces suet ; 6½ ounces flour ; 8 ounces water.
Cocon,	Each pint to contain ¾ ounce flake cocoa or nibs ; one ounce molasses or sugar.
Tea,	Each pint to contain ½ ounce tea ; ¾ ounce sugar.
Curry Stuff,	Chillies 3½ drs., pepper 1½ drs., turmeric ¾ dr., coreander seed ¾ dr., cummin seed ¾ dr. and oil ½ oz.

Note.—A European prisoner sentenced to imprisonment for two years and upwards, and in the First Class under the progressive stage system, shall be allowed 8 oz. of chicken for dinner on Sundays, in addition to the prescribed diet.

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Answers.

DIETS FOR CHINESE PRISONERS.

Class 1.			Class 2.			Class 3.			
Meals.	—	Men, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age, with and without Hard Labour.	—	Men with Hard Labour.	Men without Hard Labour, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age.	—	Men with Hard Labour.	Men without Hard Labour, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age.	Debtors, Misdemeanants of the First Class, Prisoners on Remand and for Trial.
Breakfast,	Daily, { Rice, Salt,	8 oz. 4 oz.	Sunday,	Rice, 7 oz.	6 oz.	Sunday,	Rice, 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Tuesday,	Vegetables, .. 4 oz.	4 oz.	Tuesday,	Vegetables, .. 11 oz.	8 oz.	8 oz.
			Thursday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Thursday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Saturday,	Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Saturday,	Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Monday,	Rice, 7 oz.	6 oz.	Monday,	Rice, 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Wednesday,	Salt Fish, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Wednesday,	Salt Fish, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Friday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Friday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
Lunch, ...	Daily, Congee	1 pint.	Daily,	Congee,	1 pint.	Daily,	Congee,	1 pint.	1 pint.
Supper, ...	Daily, { Rice, Salt,	8 oz. 4 oz.	Sunday,	Rice, 8 oz.	7 oz.	Monday,	Rice, 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Tuesday,	Fresh Fish, ... 2 oz.	2 oz.	Tuesday,	Fresh Fish, ... 2 oz.	2 oz.	2 oz.
			Wednesday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Wednesday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Thursday,	Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Thursday,	Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Saturday,	Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Friday,	Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Saturday,	Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Monday,	Rice, 7 oz.	6 oz.	Sunday,	Rice, 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Friday,	Vegetables, .. 4 oz.	4 oz.		Salt Fish, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Tea, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.

DIETS FOR INDIAN PRISONERS.

Class 1.			Class 2.			Class 3.			
Meals.	—	Men, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age with and without Hard Labour.	—	Men with Hard Labour.	Men without Hard Labour, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age.	—	Men with Hard Labour.	Men without Hard Labour, Women, and Boys under 16 years of age.	Debtors, Misdemeanants of the First Class, Prisoners on Remand and for Trial.
Breakfast,	Daily, { Flour, Salt,	8 oz. 4 oz.	Sunday,	Rice, 10 oz.	8 oz.	Sunday,	Rice, 12 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Tuesday,	Vegetables, .. 8 oz.	8 oz.	Tuesday,	Vegetables, .. 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Thursday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	Thursday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Saturday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Saturday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Flour, 9 oz.	8 oz.		Flour, 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Monday,	Fresh Fish, ... 2 oz.	1 oz.	Monday,	Fresh Fish, ... 2 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Wednesday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	Wednesday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Friday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Friday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
Lunch, ...	Daily, Congee	1 pint.	Daily,	Congee,	1 pint.	Daily,	Congee,	1 pint.	1 pint.
Supper, ...	Daily, { Rice, Salt,	8 oz. 4 oz.	Sunday,	Flour, 9 oz.	8 oz.	Sunday,	Flour, 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Tuesday,	Fresh Fish, . 2 oz.	1 oz.	Tuesday,	Fresh Fish, ... 2 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Thursday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	Thursday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Saturday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	Saturday,	Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
			Monday,	Rice, 10 oz.	8 oz.	Monday,	Rice, 12 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Wednesday,	Vegetables, .. 9 oz.	8 oz.	Wednesday,	Vegetables, .. 11 oz.	9 oz.	9 oz.
			Friday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	Friday,	Gram, 2 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Chutney, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Oil, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.
				Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.		Salt, 1 oz.	1 oz.	1 oz.

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Answers.

The terms to which the above *Diets for Chinese and Indian Prisoners* shall be severally applied shall be those set forth in the following Table:—

Term.	Class 1.	Class 2.	Class 3.
Seven days and under,	Whole term.	.....	.....
More than seven days and under six months,	Seven days.	Remainder of term.	.....
More than six months, .....	.....	Six months.	Remainder of term.

Note.—A Chinese or Indian prisoner sentenced to imprisonment for two years and upwards, and in the First Class under the progressive stage system, shall be allowed at the morning meal on Sundays, in addition to the prescribed diet:—for a Chinese, 6 oz. of pork; for an Indian, 8 oz. of chicken.

INGREDIENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

(Chinese and Indian Diets.)

.....	The weights given in the scale of diets are for uncooked provisions, which are to be cooked according to the usual customs of the two races respectively.
.....	Only good, succulent and nutritious vegetables are to be issued; all stalks and mid-ribs are, so far as possible, to be excluded.
Chutney,	To be prepared according to the following formula:—onions one ounce; garlic one drachm; chillies three drachms. To these when cooked the oil of the dietary to be added before being issued.
Congee,	Each pint to contain two ounces rice, with salt.

DIETS FOR ILL-CONDUCTED OR IDLE PRISONERS.

No. 1.

For Men and Women.

EUROPEAN,.....Bread, 1 lb., with water; daily.
 CHINESE,Rice, 12 oz.; Salt, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; with water; daily.
 INDIAN,Rice, 12 oz.; Salt, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; with water; daily.

This diet to be limited to seven days, and the under-mentioned "No. 2" diet to be substituted for it on the fourth day.

No task of labour to be enforced on any of the days on which this diet constitutes the sole food supplied to the prisoner.

No. 2.

For Men and Women performing a Daily Task of any Labour not expressly defined as Hard Labour.

European,	Breakfast,	Bread, 8 oz.
	Dinner,	Potatoes, 8 oz.
	Supper,	Stirabout, 1 pint.
		Bread, 8 oz.
Chinese,	Breakfast,	Rice, 6 oz.
		Vegetables, 4 oz.
		Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.; Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.
	Dinner,	Congee, 1 pint.
	Supper,	Rice, 6 oz.
		Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.; Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.
Indian,	Breakfast,	Flour, 7 oz.
		Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.
	Dinner,	Stirabout, 1 pint.
	Supper,	Rice, 7 oz.
		Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.

This diet to be limited to twenty-one days.

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No. 3.

For Men Performing a Daily Task of Hard Labour.

European,	Breakfast,	Bread, 8 oz.
	Dinner,	Bread, 8 oz.
		Potatoes, 8 oz.
	Supper,	Stirabout, 1½ pints.
		Bread, 8 oz.
Chinese,.....	Breakfast,	Rice, 10 oz.
		Vegetables, 4 oz.
		Chutney, ½ oz.; Oil, ¼ oz.; Salt, ¼ oz.
	Dinner,	Congee, 1½ pints.
	Supper,	Rice, 10 oz.
		Chutney, ½ oz.; Oil, ¼ oz.; Salt, ¼ oz.
Indian,	Breakfast,	Flour, 8 oz.
		Vegetables, 4 oz.
		Churney, ½ oz.; Oil, ¼ oz.; Salt, ¼ oz.
	Dinner,	Stirabout, 1½ pints.
	Supper,	Rice, 8 oz.
		Chutney, ½ oz.; Oil, ¼ oz.; Salt, ¼ oz.

This diet to be limited to forty-two days.

HOSPITAL DIETS.

Europeans.

Meals.	Full.	Half.	Low.																												
Breakfast, ...	Sunday,	Daily,	Daily, { Bread, ... 4 oz. Butter, ... ½ oz. Milk, ... ½ pint. Sugar, ... 1 oz. Tea, ... ¼ oz.																												
	Tuesday, ... } Thursday, ... } Saturday, ... }			Dinner,	Sunday,	Sunday,	Daily, { Bread, ... 1 oz. Beef tea, ½ pint.	Tuesday, ... } Thursday, ... } Saturday, ... }	Wednesday, { Bread, ... 4 oz. Potatoes, ... 6 oz. Suet Pudding, 6 oz.	Monday, ... } Wednesday, } Friday, ... }	Monday, ... { Bread, ... 6 oz. Potatoes, ... 6 oz. Friday, ... { Cooked Meat } without bone } 5 oz.	Tuesday, ... } Thursday, ... } Saturday, ... }	Tuesday, ... { Bread, ... 6 oz. Thursday, ... { Potatoes, ... 6 oz. Saturday, ... { Soup, ... ¾ pint.	Sunday,	Sunday,		Monday, ... } Wednesday, } Friday, ... }	Monday, ... { Bread, ... 6 oz. Potatoes, ... 6 oz. Friday, ... { Cooked Meat } without bone } 5 oz.		Tuesday, ... } Thursday, ... } Saturday, ... }	Tuesday, ... { Bread, ... 6 oz. Thursday, ... { Potatoes, ... 6 oz. Saturday, ... { Soup, ... ¾ pint.		Daily,	Daily,	Daily,	Daily, { Bread, ... 4 oz. Milk, ... ½ pint. Butter, ... ½ oz.					
Dinner,	Sunday,	Sunday,	Daily, { Bread, ... 1 oz. Beef tea, ½ pint.																												
	Tuesday, ... } Thursday, ... } Saturday, ... }	Wednesday, { Bread, ... 4 oz. Potatoes, ... 6 oz. Suet Pudding, 6 oz.																													
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	Daily,	Daily,			Daily,	Daily, { Bread, ... 4 oz. Milk, ... ½ pint. Butter, ... ½ oz.																									

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Answers.

HOSPITAL DIETS.

Chinese.

Meals.	Full.	Half.	Low.
Breakfast, .	Sunday, { Rice,9 oz. Vegetables, ...8 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Sunday, { Rice,6 oz. Vegetables, ...4 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Daily, . { Rice,6 oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Congee, .. $\frac{1}{2}$ pint.
	Tuesday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Saturday, ... { Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Tuesday, ... { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Saturday, ... { Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	
	Monday, { Rice, .....9 oz. Salt Fish, ....1 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Monday, { Rice, .....6 oz. Salt, .....1 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	
	Wednesday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Friday, { Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Wednesday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Friday, { Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	
Lunch,.....	Daily,.....Congee, .....1 pint.	Daily,.....Congee, .....1 pint.	Daily,....Congee, .1 pint.
Supper,	Monday, { Rice, .....9 oz. Fresh Fish, ...2 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Sunday, { Rice, .....7 oz. Fresh Fish, ...2 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Daily, . { Rice, ....6 oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Congee, .. $\frac{1}{2}$ pint.
	Wednesday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Thursday, ... { Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Friday, { Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Wednesday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Thursday, ... { Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Saturday, ... { Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	
	Saturday, ... { Rice, .....9 oz. Salt Fish, ....1 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Monday, { Rice, .....6 oz. Vegetables, ..4 oz. Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	
	Sunday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Friday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	

Indians.

Meals.	Full.	Half.	Low.
Breakfast, .	Sunday, { Rice, .....9 oz. Vegetables, ...9 oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Sunday, { Rice, .....8 oz. Vegetables, ...8 oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Daily, . { Rice, ....6 oz. Fish, ....4 oz. Tea, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Congee, .. $\frac{1}{2}$ pint.
	Tuesday, ... { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Thursday, ... { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Saturday, ... { Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Tuesday, ... { Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Thursday, ... { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Saturday, ... { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	
	Monday, { Flour, .....9 oz. Fresh Fish, ...1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Monday, { Flour, .....8 oz. Fresh Fish, ...1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	
	Wednesday, { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Friday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Wednesday, { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Friday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	
Lunch,.....	Daily,.....Congee, .....1 pint.	Daily,.....Congee, .....1 pint.	Daily,....Congee, .1 pint.
Supper,	Sunday, { Flour, .....9 oz. Fresh Fish, ...1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Sunday, { Flour, .....8 oz. Fresh Fish, ...1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Daily, . { Rice, ....6 oz. Chicken for soup, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. Congee, .. $\frac{1}{2}$ pint.
	Thursday, ... { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Saturday, ... { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Thursday, ... { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Saturday, ... { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	
	Monday, { Rice, .....9 oz. Vegetables, ...9 oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Monday, { Rice, .....8 oz. Vegetables, ...8 oz. Gram, .....1 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	
	Wednesday, { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Friday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	Wednesday, { Chutney, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Friday, { Oil, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.	

Return showing Value of Industrial Labour for the year 1917.

Nature of Industry.	1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8				
	Value of stock on hand January 1st, 1917.	\$	c.	Value of Material purchased.	\$	c.	Total Dr.	\$	c.	Value of articles Manufactured or Work done for payment.	\$	c.	Value of stock on hand December 31st, 1917.	\$	c.	Total Cr.	\$	c.	Value of Earnings. (Difference between Columns 3 & 7.)
Oakum,	431.20			.....	431.20			.....	.....	.....			431.20	431.20					.....
Coir,	647.80			1,569.28	2,217.08			1,987.17	378.67			1,290.74	3,656.58	3,656.58					1,439.50
Net-making,	31.24			43.90	75.14			130.89	.....			24.85	155.74	155.74					80.60
Tailoring,	68.10			3,950.16	4,018.26			264.50	2,543.88			2,425.28	5,233.66	5,233.66					1,215.40
Rattan, .....	.....			12.90	12.90			18.00	8.50			1.72	28.22	28.22					15.32
Tin-smithing,	1,566.80			736.01	2,302.81			186.16	2,715.02			132.25	3,033.37	3,033.37					730.56
Carpentering,	49.40			687.68	737.08			316.99	821.17			339.81	1,477.97	1,477.97					740.89
Grass-matting,	15.56			20.00	35.56			36.20	59.86			8.72	104.78	104.78					69.22
Shoe-making,	36.25			2,375.72	2,411.97			495.81	2,284.77			52.45	2,833.03	2,833.03					421.06
Laundry, .....	.....			2,217.89	2,217.89			.....	9,140.44			.....	9,140.44	9,140.44					6,922.55
Printing and Book-binding,	20,293.40			35,579.17	55,872.57			224.75	85,376.91			25,874.50	111,476.16	111,476.16					55,603.59
Photography, .....	.....			234.40	234.40			.80	320.24			7.58	328.62	328.62					94.22
Total,	23,139.75			47,427.11	70,566.86			3,661.21	103,649.46			30,559.10	137,899.77	137,899.77					67,332.91

Paid into Bank during 1917, which sum includes \$80.69 for work executed in 1916, \$3,601.04.

Value of work executed during 1917 for which payment was deferred to 1918, \$60.69.

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Department.	No. of forms printed.	No. of books bound.	Printing.		Book-binding.		Total.	
			\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
Colonial Secretary's Office,.....	87,360	237	1,112.75		213.35		1,326.10	
Secretariat for Chinese Affairs,.....	63,597	190	743.55		85.95		829.50	
Public Works Department,.....	487,409	2,377	5,153.80		669.30		5,823.10	
Sanitary Department,.....	1,039,229	7,481	9,656.30		994.30		10,650.60	
Treasury,.....	199,160	2,210	2,306.80		318.50		2,625.30	
General Post Office,.....	1,503,338	5,219	13,487.74		1,013.70		14,501.44	
Harbour Office,.....	296,924	2,333	3,630.60		277.60		3,908.20	
Police Department,.....	1,071,616	6,364	8,298.20		860.80		9,159.00	
Magistracy,.....	52,600	267	607.15		86.90		694.05	
Government Civil Hospital,.....	178,871	418	1,981.90		136.00		2,117.90	
Supreme Court,.....	41,786	287	430.30		331.12		761.42	
Land Office,.....	16,402	89	200.50		35.50		236.00	
Official Receiver's Office,.....	10,500	12	163.00		9.20		172.20	
District Office, (North),.....	64,530	371	649.00		113.50		762.50	
District Office, (South),.....	58,370	212	465.00		66.50		531.50	
Botanical and Forestry Department,.....	43,915	191	511.90		45.30		557.20	
Bacteriological Institute,.....	4,300	4	57.00		2.40		59.40	
Government House,.....	2,145	13	19.50		6.10		25.60	
Prison Department,.....	73,605	351	699.70		80.40		780.10	
Queen's College,.....	27,212	458	384.40		45.00		429.40	
Technical Institute,.....	7,950	1,403	94.50		16.70		111.20	
Education Department,.....	72,432	338	776.25		114.30		890.55	
Cable Censor's Office,.....	9,250	9	113.00		3.00		116.00	
Audit Office,.....	2,000	30	32.00		43.00		75.00	
Hongkong Defence Corps,.....	28,550	56	329.50		30.90		360.40	
Assessor's Office,.....	27,140	47	320.60		32.75		353.35	
Stamp Office,.....	64,225	24	581.50		6.00		587.50	
Attorney General's Office,.....	7,900	84	73.50		26.20		99.70	
Crown Solicitor's Office,.....	19,645	210	211.70		20.70		232.40	
Royal Observatory,.....	37,524	788	420.00		116.00		536.00	
Imports and Exports Office,.....	2,197,696	4,506	19,341.10		748.80		20,089.90	
Kowloon-Canton Railway,.....	490,553	2,232	5,475.50		498.90		5,974.40	
Total,.....	8,287,664	38,811	\$78,328.24		\$7,048.67		\$85,376.91	

Return showing the Employment of Prisoners and the Value of their Labour, during the year 1917.

Description of Employment.	Rate per diem.	Daily Average Number of Prisoners.			Value of Prison Labour.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	
	at c.				\$ c.
Sundays, Christmas Day, Good Friday and Chinese New Year Day :—					
Cooking,.....	12	8	.....	8	62.40
Cleaning,.....	10	26	4	30	195.00
Non-productive,.....	...	530	33	563	.....
Total,.....		564	37	601	
Other Days :					
Debtors, Remands, On punishment, Sick,.....	...	59	2	61	.....
Crank Shot, Shot and Stone,.....	...	76	.....	76	.....
In Manufactories :—					
Book-binding,.....	20	63	.....	63	3,780.00
Printing,.....	20	42	.....	42	2,520.00
Printing Labourers,.....	10	18	.....	18	540.00
Oakum-picking,.....	2	103	.....	103	618.00
Coir-matting,.....	15	27	.....	27	1,215.00
Shoe-making,.....	20	15	.....	15	900.00
Tailoring,.....	15	9	19	28	1,260.00
Net-making, String-making and Ships' fender-making,.....	10	11	.....	11	330.00
In Building :—					
Carpentering and Fitting,.....	20	10	.....	10	600.00
In Service of the Prison :—					
Laundry,.....	15	36	11	47	2,115.00
Cooking,.....	12	8	.....	8	288.00
Cleaning,.....	10	26	4	30	900.00
Whitewashing,.....	10	52	.....	52	1,560.00
Total,.....	...	555	36	591	\$16,883.40

Return showing the Basis upon which the Value of Earnings of Prisoners is calculated.

In Manufactories :—	Rate.
Book-binding,	20 cents per diem.
Printing,	20 "
Printing Labourers,.....	10 "
Oakum-picking,	2 "
Coir-matting,	15 "
Shoe-making,	20 "
Tailoring,.....	15 "
Net-making, string and fender-making,	10 "
In Building :—	
Bricklaying,.....	15 "
Carpentering and Fitting,	20 "
Painting,	10 "
In Service of the Prison :—	
Laundry,	15 "
Cooking,	12 "
Cleaning,	10 "
Whitewashing,	10 "

