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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The Contract for publishing this *Gazette*, entered into on the 24th September, 1853, was terminated on the 30th ultimo; and notice is hereby given, that a NEW SERIES of this *Gazette* will be published hereafter, to commence from the 7th instant, under a New Contract, and that

“THE HONGKONG GOVERNMENT GAZETTE”

will, as before, be the only Official Organ for PROCLAMATIONS, NOTIFICATIONS, and PUBLIC PAPERS, of this Government.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER, *Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 2d July, 1855.

No. 42.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, that in pursuance of Instructions received by His Excellency The Governor from The Right Honorable The Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr G. OVERBECK has been appointed, and is hereby recognized as, Prussian Consular Agent at Hongkong.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 2d April, 1856.

No. 43.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Her Majesty's Exequatur being expected, authorizing Mr F. H. BLOCK to exercise the office of Consul for His Majesty The King of Denmark within the Colony of Hongkong, His Excellency The Governor hereby notifies that, under instructions from The Right Honorable The Secretary of State for the Colonies, he will recognize Mr BLOCK as such Consul in the interim, and until receipt of the said Exequatur.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 2d April, 1856.

No. 41.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The subjoined Returns from the Registrar-General, shewing Comparative Census for past Years, and Detailed Statement of Population for 1855, are published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 31st March, 1856.

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COMPARATIVE RETURN, SHOWING THE POPULATION OF HONGKONG IN EACH YEAR, FROM 1848 TO 1855.

Year	EUROPEANS AND AMERICANS		CHILDREN		ADULTS		CHINESE IN THE CITY OF VICTORIA, INCLUDING SEPARATELY EUROPEANS AND TEMPORARY RESIDENTS		TOTAL CHINESE IN VILLAGES		CHINESE BOAT POPULATION		TOTAL IN EACH YEAR		GRAND TOTAL
	Male	Female	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
1848	429	104	63	46	375	137	77	81	...	...	...	...	...	...	23,098
1849	436	115	60	45	325	106	65	58	...	...	...	...	...	...	20,507
1850	321	79	34	31	398	148	86	59	149	...	...	...	...	...	33,292
1851	412	141	53	39	345	143	133	89	163	...	...	...	...	...	32,983
1852	318	93	60	55	347	169	114	115	270	...	...	...	...	...	37,058
1853	312	86	41	37	416	175	107	113	194	...	...	...	...	...	30,017
1854	326	87	46	38	411	203	115	118	296	...	...	...	...	...	35,715
1855	379	95	49	48	509	261	153	144	311	...	...	...	...	...	72,607

C. MAY,  
Officiating Registrar General.

CENSUS OF HONGKONG, 30TH DECEMBER, 1855.

Description	Total Number of Houses	Total Number of Boats	POPULATION				Total	POPULATION				Total	REMARKS
			Male	Female	Children	Total		Male	Female	Children	Total		
Europeans and Americans	302	...	379	95	49	48	571	379	95	49	48	571	
Portuguese (Goa and Macao)	...	...	296	182	97	101	676	509	261	153	144	1,067	
Indians, Malays, and Natives of Malacca	...	...	213	79	56	43	391	311	5	1	1	318	
Albion, chiefly Seamen and Temporary Residents	2,422	...	3,170	155	...	1	3,325	...	...	...	...	...	
Chinese in the employ of Europeans	...	...	21,647	6,365	3,007	2,339	33,418	...	...	...	...	...	
Residing in the City of Victoria	...	...	9,734	4,292	3,899	2,024	19,949	...	...	...	...	...	
Boat Population in Victoria Harbor	...	...	1,595	913	636	436	3,580	...	...	...	...	...	
Do. other than Victoria	...	...	3,894	1,231	674	480	6,279	...	...	...	...	...	
Residing in the Villages	...	...	3,000	100	...	...	3,100	...	...	...	...	...	
Temporary Residents, Vagrants, &c, and persons living in Mat-sheds	...	...	1,000	...	...	...	1,000	...	...	...	...	...	
Do. Emigrants awaiting passage to Australia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	3,560	3,852	45,239	13,417	8,419	5,532	72,607	45,239	13,417	8,419	5,532	72,607	

C. MAY,  
Officiating Registrar General.