

No. 87.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Returns from the Registrar General, connected with the Population and Trade of the Colony, are published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th May, 1864.

No. 1.—CENSUS OF HONGKONG, 31st December, 1863.

	No. of HOUSES.	No. of BOATS.	POPULATION.				TOTAL.
			Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	
Europeans and Americans,	968	378	150	148	1,644
Goa, Manila, Indians and others of mixed blood,	1,006	190	72	68	1,336
Aliens, chiefly Seamen, and temporary residents,	100
Chinese in employ of Europeans,	4,315	352	73	197	4,937
Do. residing in Victoria,	39,886	13,469	6,573	5,423	65,351
Do. in Villages and Kowloon,	7,232	3,139	1,383	796	12,550
Boat population in Victoria,	11,009	4,175	3,586	1,929	20,699
Do. other than Victoria,	5,214	2,354	1,315	955	9,838
Emigrants,	200
Persons living in Mat sheds,	2,500
Street Coolies,	5,000
Prisoners,	686	9	695
	6,350	4,019	70,316	24,066	13,152	9,516	124,850

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No. 2.—RETURN OF POPULATION OF HONGKONG, 31st December, 1863.

	WHITE.		COLORED.		TOTAL.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
VICTORIA DISTRICT,	1,118	526	1,078	258	2,196	784
Chinese in employ of Europeans,	4,388	549	4,388	549
Chinese,	46,459	18,892	46,459	18,892
<i>Sub-Districts,—</i>						
Show-ke-wan,	2,210	1,592		
Sai-wan,	112	92		
Sheak-ho,	132	70		
Ty-tam-took,	32	30		
Stanley,	923	453		
Aberdeen,	1,305	298		
Heong-kong,	146	131		
Pok-foo-lum,	61	41		
Kow-loon,	3,694	1,228		
					8,615	3,935
Boat Population of Hongkong,	21,124	9,413
Temporary residents,	100	
Emigrants,	200	
Persons living in Mat Sheds,	2,500	
Street Coolies,	5,000	
Prisoners,	686	9
					91,268	33,582

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No. 3.—CLASSIFICATION and NUMBER of PUBLIC and PRIVATE BUILDINGS in the COLONY of HONGKONG, 1863.

	VICTORIA.	VILLAGES.	TOTAL.
Public Offices, Barracks, Guard Rooms, Police Stations and other Public Buildings, ...	114	34	148
Churches, Chapels, and places of Worship,	7	3	10
Mosques, Chinese Temples, &c.,	15	16	31
Houses and other Buildings assessed at and above £100 per annum value occupied,	683	7	690
Shops and Private Dwellings below the value of £100 per annum occupied,	3,556	1,327	4,883
Houses untenanted and unfinished,	526	62	588
	4,901	1,449	6,350

CHINESE TRADERS, &c.

	VICTORIA.	VILLAGES.	TOTAL.		VICTORIA.	VILLAGES.	TOTAL.
Bakers,	20	..	20	<i>Brought forward, ..</i>	2,591	1,376	3,967
Bamboo Workers,	41	2	43	Joss, Joss Paper and } Image Dealers, .. }	27	10	37
Bamboo House Makers,	5	..	5	Lantern Sellers,	4	..	4
Barbers,	63	45	108	Lead Case Makers,	3	..	3
Bathing Houses,	3	..	3	Lime Dealers, .....	..	37	37
Bean Curd Sellers,	33	16	49	Mat Makers,	10	..	10
Blacksmiths,	80	19	99	Mat Shed Makers,	13	2	15
Bird Sellers,	8	..	8	Money Changers,	25	2	27
Boat Builders,	34	34	68	Milkmen,	11	..	11
Brokers,	24	..	24	Oar Dealers,	7	6	13
Bookbinders,	8	..	8	Old Iron and Rags,	24	..	24
Brothel Keepers,	116	11	127	Old Clothes,	7	..	7
Brick and Tile Makers,	23	2	25	Oil Sellers,	11	2	13
Carpenters,	125	20	145	Opium Sellers,	59	10	69
Chandlers,	263	130	393	Packings,	37	..	37
Charcoal and Firewood } Sellers,	30	5	35	Painters,	2	..	2
Caulkers,	10	1	11	Printers,	10	2	12
Confectioners,	7	..	7	Pawnbrokers,	17	..	17
Cattle and Pig Sheds, ..	7	..	7	Peppermint Oil Sellers, ..	3	..	3
Clothiers,	98	14	112	Pewterers,	7	1	8
Coopers,	18	..	18	Photographers,	5	..	5
Coolie Houses,	78	18	96	Portrait & Landscape } Painters,	16	..	16
Congee Sellers,	8	..	8	Picture Maker,	1	..	1
Crockery & Earthenware, ..	15	..	15	Priest Houses,	18	5	23
Compradores,	24	2	26	Pilot Houses,	2	..	2
Cook Shops,	20	2	22	Poulterers,	27	..	27
Coal Shops,	11	..	11	Rattan Ware,	9	..	9
Cotton Quilt Shops,	16	3	19	Rattan Splitters,	7	..	7
Coffin Shops,	11	..	11	Rope and Sail Makers, ..	5	18	23
Debt Collectors,	2	..	2	Rice Dealers,	73	3	76
Doctors and Druggists, ..	85	17	102	Sedan Chair Hirers,	17	..	17
Dyers,	5	..	5	Sign Dealers,	7	..	7
Eating Houses,	17	..	17	Sheep Dealers,	2	..	2
Engine Houses,	3	..	3	Shoemakers,	51	..	51
Families,	713	385	1,098	Shoe Sellers, Chinese, ..	23	..	23
Farmers,	56	296	352	Stone Cutters,	78	98	176
Fishermen,	6	77	83	Stationers,	14	..	14
Fish Lans (Fresh,)	16	15	31	Soy Sellers,	8	..	8
Do. (Salt,)	35	22	57	Schools,	16	5	21
Flour Dealers,	5	..	5	Sweetmeats,	7	..	7
Foreign Goods Shop, ..	82	2	84	Tanners,	6	..	6
Fortune Tellers,	6	..	6	Tinmen,	12	..	12
Fruiterers,	115	31	146	Tailors,	63	8	71
Gardeners and Flower } Sellers,	7	..	7	Tea Sellers,	12	..	12
Glaziers,	63	..	63	Timber Dealers,	32	4	36
Gold and Silver Smiths, ..	33	9	42	Theatres,	2	..	2
Gold Beaters,	16	..	16	Tobacconist,	10	..	10
Grass Cutters,	46	198	244	Umbrella Makers,	7	..	7
Gunsmiths,	2	..	2	Undertakers,	3	2	5
Hat and Cap Makers, ..	3	..	3	Vegetable Sellers,	5	..	5
Hemp Workers,	5	..	5	Vacant Houses,	42	37	79
Hongs,	68	..	68	Washermen,	65	2	67
Ivory Carvers and Jade } Stone Sellers, .. }	3	..	3	Watchmakers,	10	..	10
				Weight & Scale Makers, ..	3	..	3
<i>Carried forward, ..</i>	2,591	1,376	3,967	TOTAL,	3,526	1,630	5,156

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No. 4.—ABSTRACT OF RETURNS, furnished from each House occupied by CHINESE in the Colony of Hongkong, stating Number of Persons resident therein, Mortality, &c.

	Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	TOTAL OF EACH PLACE.	MORTALITY.		TOTAL MORTALITY OF CHINESE.	OCCUPATION.
						In the Colony.	Out of the Colony.		
City of Victoria,	39,886	13,469	6,573	5,423	65,351	413	..	12 Died in Gaol, 80 Convict Hulk, 29 Civil Hospital, 44 Found exposed, 165	Trade.
<i>Sub-Districts.</i>									
Show-ke-wan, <i>a</i>	1,751	1,352	459	240	3,802	152	..	5 Found exposed,	Fishing Quarrying, Agriculture & a small amount of Trade.
Sai-wan,	73	62	39	30	204	5	..		
Sheak-ho, <i>b</i>	69	56	63	14	202	11	..		
Ty-tam-took,	24	20	8	10	62	2	..		
Stanley, <i>c</i>	802	359	121	94	1,376	9	..		
Aberdeen, <i>d</i>	1,204	227	101	71	1,603	17	..		
Heong-kong,	120	110	26	21	277	1	..		
Pok-foo-lum,	42	27	19	14	102	1	..		
Kow-loon,	3,147	926	547	302	4,922	43	..		
Total,	7,232	3,139	1,383	796	12,550	241
Grand Total,	47,118	16,608	7,956	6,219	77,901	654	572	1,396	..

a Show-ke-wan includes Hoong-heong-loo, Tsat-che-mooy, Pak-shui-wan, Ngo-yan-wan and Wong-kok-tsui.

b Sheak-ho includes Hok-tsui and Too-te-wan.

c Stanley includes Ty-tam and Wong-ma-kok.

d Aberdeen includes Ap-lee-chow.

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No. 5.—RETURN showing the MORTALITY amongst the Chinese during the year 1863.

	POPULATION OF EACH PLACE.	DIED IN THE COLONY.	DIED OUT OF THE COLONY	TOTAL.
City of Victoria,	78,683	413	..	..
Dead bodies found exposed in Victoria, and buried by the Police, . . . . .	..	44	..	..
Number of Chinese died in Gaol, Convict Hulk, and Government Civil Hospital, . . . . .	..	121	..	..
Total,	78,683	578	.	..
Show-ke-wan,	3,802	152	..	..
Sai-wan,	204	5	..	..
Sheak-ho,	202	11	..	..
Ty-tam-took,	62	2	..	..
Stanley,	1,376	9	..	..
Aberdeen,	1,603	17	..	..
Heong-kong,	277	1	..	..
Pok-foo-lum,	102	1	..	..
Kow-loon,	4,922	43	..	..
Dead bodies found in Villages, and buried by the Police,	5
Estimated Mortality out of the Colony,	572	..
Total,	12,550	246	572	1,396

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No. 7.—*Summary of RETURN No. 6.*

NAMES OF HARBOURS AND BAYS.	TOTAL NUMBER OF VESSELS AT EACH PLACE.	NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD.				TOTAL POPULA- TION AT EACH PLACE.
		ADULTS.		CHILDREN.		
		<i>Men.</i>	<i>Women.</i>	<i>Boys.</i>	<i>Girls.</i>	
Victoria, including Kow-loon,.....	2,737	11,009	4,175	3,586	1,929	20,699
Aberdeen and Ap-lee-chow,	508	1,706	751	504	356	3,317
Show-ke-wan and Sai-wan,	483	1,974	1,170	431	355	3,930
Stanley and Sheak-ho,	291	1,534	433	380	244	2,591
Total,.....	4,019	16,223	6,529	4,901	2,884	30,537

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Registrar General's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 10th March, 1864.

No. 88.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Report of the Registrar General on the working of Ordinance No. 6 of 1863, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th May, 1864.

No. 13.

REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE, VICTORIA,
HONGKONG, 4th May, 1864.

SIR,—Feeling that doubtless any information respecting the working of a *new* Ordinance, and one so especially devoted to public convenience as No. 6 of 1863 so decidedly is, will be interesting to the Government, I do myself the honor, without hesitation, to submit the following remarks, which I trust will be favourably received by His Excellency The Governor.

I therefore beg to state as follows:—The Licenses for Chairs, *special*, i. e., those that ply from 5 A. M. till 12 at night, and *general*, viz: those that ply from 5 A. M. to 8 at night are issued every six months, from the 30th of September and from the 1st of April.

Up to date, the large number of such Licenses issued amounts to 430, which already exceeds that of the *whole* of the last half year by 68, and in all probability there will be a considerable addition.

858 Chair Coolies have also been registered: I may mention that the principal part of these men are Hakas, with a considerable number of Chin Chew, a sprinkling of Poon-Taes, and only some 40 from the Nam-hoi District or vicinity of Canton, and I am informed that since the passing of the Ordinance the Chair Coolies are, though the most ignorant and *stubborn* of our community, becoming more civil, and less extortionate to their employers than formerly.

There was, at first, a considerable difficulty in making them wear *conspicuously* their tin Badges, but this, a prejudice, is now being speedily overcome, especially as I am assisted by judicious magisterial influence.

There is still, however, much difficulty in making those who possess special Licenses carry a Lamp at night. I have had a pattern prepared, which costs but one hundred mils, and a light costs about eight mils for two hours; those to whom these Licenses have been issued have been *individually* spoken to, and cautioned on the subject and I think the matter of considerable importance, as much mischief may be done by these fellows possessing the *privilege* they do, roaming about at night without a light.

There is also a further trouble in keeping them to their stands, but the streets in which the two principal stands are appointed, viz: Wyndham Street and by Pedder's Wharf are having extensive building operations carried on in them, which preclude to some extent the Chairs standing there.

I would also suggest that a new stand be appointed between Old Bailey Street and Union Chapel, for the convenience of the residents in Old Bailey, Shelley and Elgin Streets and those in the vicinity of the Hollywood Road.

I have now only further to remark that towards the end of the 2nd half year I may have a suggestion to make as to the *economy* of the above subject, that every effort has been made by this Department, only acting as it can, *ministerially* to bring these wild untutored people under the Law, they have been registered, made to find securities for their good conduct, and I may add, *en passant*, that these securities have improved much in validity; and the Ordinance, its penalties, as well as its privileges, carefully explained; and it now alone remains for *Executive* influence in the shape of firmness, zeal, and continual watchfulness on the part of the *European* Police to make the Chair Coolies of Hongkong *at least* as obedient and unexact as a similar class in any other part of Her Majesty's Dominions.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

THOS. TURNER,
Registrar General.

The Honourable

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.