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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency The GOVERNOR is pleased to recognize THEODOR PROBST, Esquire, as Consul for Prussia at this Port, provisionally, and until receipt of Her Majesty's Exequatur.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th March, 1867.

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No. 52.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, that Acting Sergeant JOHN LANDERS is dismissed from the Hongkong Police Force from this date.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th March, 1867.

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No. 53.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Returns, connected with the business of the Superior and Subordinate Courts of this Colony for the Year 1866, are published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th March, 1867.

RETURN of CRIMINAL CASES that have been tried in the SUPREME COURT of HONGKONG, during the Year 1866.

Number of Cases.	Number of Persons.	CRIME.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Death.	Death Recorded.	Penal Servitude.	Hard Labour over one year.	Hard Labour one year and under.	Publicly flogged.	Solitary confinement, number of Persons.	REMARKS.			
												Charges abandoned.		Postponed.	
												Number of Cases.	Number of Persons.	Number of Cases.	Number of Persons.
...	1	Administering a noxious thing, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
1	1	Assault on the high Seas, ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Assaulting Police Constable whilst in the execution of his duty,...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	2	Attempting to choke with intent to rob, ...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	300	...	...	...	...
1	1	Breaking and entering and stealing in a Dwelling-house, and receiving Stolen Goods, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	2	Breaking and entering and stealing in a Ware-house, ...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
1	1	Burglary, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
1	1	Burglary and Larceny, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	2	Burglary and Larceny with Violence, ...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Burglary being armed, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	5	Burglary with Violence, ...	5	...	...	...	5	...	...	5	750	...	...	...	...
1	1	Burglary with Wounding, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	150	...	...	...	...
...	...	Buggery, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	4	Cattle Stealing, ...	2	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	1	2	...
8	9	Child Stealing, ...	6	3	...	...	...	5	1	...	...	1	1	...	...
1	3	Conspiracy to accuse of Crime with intent to extort Money, ...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	7	Counterfeiting Coin, selling Counterfeit Coin, and having possession of coining instruments, ...	1	6	a...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	4	Cutting and Wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm, ...	2	2	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	1	...	...
1	1	Demanding Money with Menaces, ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Demanding Money with Menaces, Extortion, and Larceny, ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...
1	2	Demanding Money with Menaces, and Larceny, ...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Embezzlement, ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	5	Escape, ...	5	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Escape, and Larceny with Violence, ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Extortion, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	1	...	...
1	5	False Imprisonment, ...	5	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Forcibly detaining a female, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	2	Forgery, and personating bail, ...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
2	3	Forgery, and uttering a forged note, ...	2	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Highway Robbery, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	4	Highway Robbery, being armed, ...	4	...	...	...	2	2	4	290	...	...	...	...	...
3	6	Highway Robbery, with Violence, ...	5	1	...	...	3	2	5	525	...	1	1	...	...
1	5	Kidnapping, ...	5	...	...	...	5	...	4	600	...	...	...	...	...
1	4	Kidnapping, and Assault occasioning bodily harm, ...	4	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	5	Larceny, ...	4	1	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	6	Larceny, and receiving Stolen Goods, ...	5	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	4	Larceny by Bailee, ...	2	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	2	...	...
1	1	Larceny by a Servant, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
1	6	Larceny in a Boat, ...	6	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	5	Larceny in a Dwelling-house, ...	5	...	...	...	1	3	1	150	1	1	1	...	...
2	3	Larceny in a Dwelling-house, and receiving Stolen Goods, ...	1	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Larceny in a Dwelling-house, with Menaces, being armed, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	2	Larceny in a Dwelling-house, with Violence, ...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	3	Larceny in a Ware-house, ...	3	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
7	10	Larceny on board Ship in the Harbor, ...	7	3	...	...	...	3	4	...	...	1	1	...	...
...	...	Larceny with Violence, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
3	3	Manslaughter, ...	2	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	3	...	...
2	2	Murder, ...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
5	2	Obtaining Goods by false pretences, ...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Obtaining Money by false pretences, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
1	1	Perjury, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	8	Piracy, ...	1	7	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	17	Piracy and endangering Life, ...	15	2	15	b...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	3	Piracy and Murder, ...	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	6	Robbery from the Person, ...	4	2	...	...	...	1	3	1	10	...	...	...	...
1	1	Robbery from the Person, being armed, ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	60	...	...	...	...	...
7	8	Robbery from the Person with Violence, ...	8	...	...	...	1	3	4	8	965	1	2	...	...
1	2	Robbery from the Person with Wounding, ...	2	...	...	...	...	2	2	300	...	...	...	...	...
2	3	Robbery with Cutting and Wounding, ...	1	2	...	...	1	...	1	150	...	...	...	...	...
2	3	Robbery with Violence, ...	1	2	...	...	...	1	1	75	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	Robbery with Violence, and Wounding a Police Constable, with intent to prevent lawful apprehension, ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	75	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	Stabbing, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
1	1	Uttering Counterfeit Coin, ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
127	195		145	50	19	...	22	50	53	37	4,400	12	20	23	...

N. R. MASSON,  
Acting Registrar.

a. To enter into his own Recognizance in \$1,000, and four Sureties in \$250 each, to come up to judgment when called upon.

b. One prisoner committed Suicide in Gaol on the day of, and before, the trial.

c. This was private whipping with a rattan.

RETURN of the NUMBER of Cases tried before the Honorable the Chief Justice, and ACTIONS commenced in the Supreme and Vice Admiralty Courts of Hongkong, during the Year ending 31st December, 1866.

Cases tried before the Honorable the Chief Justice in 1866.

COURT.	NUMBER OF CASES.	AMOUNT OF DEBT AND DAMAGES CLAIMED.	JUDGMENT.			TOTAL.	
			Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Nonsuit.	Cases.	Debt and Damages.
Supreme Court,—							
Common Law, . . . .	6 <sup>a</sup>	\$37,351.43	3	3	..	} 42	\$513,152.90
Chancery, . . . . .	..	..	18	..	..		
Bankruptcy, . . . . .	18 <sup>b</sup>	419,741.38	..	..	..		
Appeals, . . . . .	3 <sup>c</sup>	..	Appellant	Respondent	..		
Vice-Admiralty Court, . . .	15 <sup>d</sup>	56,060.09	15	..	..		

Actions commenced in 1866.

COURT.	NUMBER OF CASES.	AMOUNT OF DEBT AND DAMAGES CLAIMED.	SETTLED WITHOUT TRIAL.	JUDGMENT.			REMAINING IN DEPENDENCE.	TOTAL.	
				Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Non-suit.		Cases.	Debt and Damages.
Supreme Court,—									
Common Law, . . . .	117	\$1,920,530.01 <sup>e</sup>	71	3	..	..	43	} 222	\$2,620,387.52
Chancery, . . . . .	4	..	..	..	..	..	4		
Bankruptcy, . . . . .	29	429,773.72 <sup>f</sup>	11	17	..	..	1		
Probate, . . . . .	41	148,635.85 <sup>g</sup>	..	..	..	..	..		
Appeals, . . . . .	4	..	1	Appellant	Respondent	..	..		
Vice-Admiralty Court	27	121,447.94 <sup>h</sup>	7	11	..	..	9		

- <sup>a</sup> Three of these cases were in dependence on 31st December, 1865.
- <sup>b</sup> One of these cases was in dependence on 31st December, 1865.
- <sup>c</sup> Two of these cases were from the Police Court, and one from the Summary Jurisdiction Court.
- <sup>d</sup> Four of these cases were in dependence on 31st December, 1865.
- <sup>e</sup> Judgment was signed in Twenty of these cases, representing a sum of \$542,611.82.
- <sup>f</sup> The sum here given is the amount of liabilities entered in the Bankrupts' Schedules.
- <sup>g</sup> The sum here given is from the valuations made by the Appraisers of Court.
- <sup>h</sup> Six of these cases were Petitions for Bounty.

During the Year there were 104 Sittings in Court and in Chambers, upon notices of motion and Judge's Summonses, exclusive of the above trials.

N. R. MASSON,  
Acting Registrar.

RETURN of the NUMBER of CASES tried, and ACTIONS commenced, in the Court of Summary Jurisdiction, from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1866.

NO. OF CASES.	AMOUNT OF DEBT AND DAMAGES CLAIMED.	SETTLED WITHOUT TRIAL.	JUDGMENT.			REMAINING IN DEPENDENCE.	REMARKS.
			Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Nonsuit.		
1,132*	\$72,832.46	245	605	13	269	8	*4 of these Cases were in Dependence on 31st December, 1865.
8	1,264.24						
1,140	74,096.70						

HENRY J. HOLMES,  
Clerk of Court.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1867.

