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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Intestate Estates' Returns for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1873, are published for general information.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 8th January, 1874.

RETURN of BALANCES of ESTATES deposited as Residue in the Colonial Treasury by the Registrar of the Supreme Court as Official Administrator from the 1st day of July to the 31st day of December, 1873.

NAME OF DECEASED.	DATE OF DEATH.	DATE OF ADMINISTRATION.	AMOUNT.	DATE OF DEPOSIT.	REMARKS.
John Peterson, .....	9th July, 1872,	26th July, 1872,	\$217.44	31st Aug, 1872, \$200, 16th Aug, 1873, \$17.44,	} Deposited as Residue. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.
Henry Nason Middleton,...	6th August, 1872,	22nd August, 1872,	3.51	30th August, 1873,	
Chinaman No. 5, .....	11th August, 1872,	22nd August, 1872,	2.37	30th August, 1873,	
Mehta Kurrim, .....	6th October, 1872,	30th October, 1872,	36.55	31st October, 1873,	
Tong Kew,.....	8th Nov., 1872,	28th Nov., 1872,	1.42	29th Nov., 1873,	
Chan Abba, .....	3rd Nov., 1872,	28th Nov., 1872,	29.44	29th Nov., 1873,	

W. H. ALEXANDER,  
Registrar.

RETURN of ESTATES of INTESTATES for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1873.

NAME OF INTESTATE.	AMOUNT RECEIVED ON ACCOUNT OF THE ESTATE.	DEDUCTIONS FOR DISBURSEMENTS.	BALANCE ON CLOSING ACCOUNT.	DISPOSAL OF BALANCE.	TOTAL BALANCE.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.		\$ c.
Chinaman, No. 7, .....	0.25	0.25	.....	.....	.....
Chinaman, No. 8, .....	3.40	0.25	3.15	Remaining in Registry, .....	3.15
Eugene Mechain, .....	7,743.38	1,406.85	6,336.53	Deposited at interest in Hongkong Bank,..... \$6600.00	
Chinaman, No. 9, .....	1.15	.....	1.15	Due Registry,..... 263.47	6,336.53
Thomas Albert Irwin, .....	6.00	.....	6.00	Remaining in Registry, .....	1.15
Andrew Brown, .....	114.75	71.51	43.24	Do., .....	6.00
Ah Kon, .....	6.87	.....	6.87	Do., .....	43.24
William Holymaine, .....	11.50	.....	11.50	Do., .....	6.87
alias					
Wilhelm Holzmann, .....					

W. H. ALEXANDER,  
Official Administrator.

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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Account, duly certified, of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation in Hongkong, during the Month ending 31st December, 1873, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th January, 1874.

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Oriental Bank Corporation,.....	487,478	200,000
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,.....	765,781	260,000
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,.....	410,559	150,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,.....	1,698,049	600,000
TOTAL,.....\$	3,361,867	1,210,000