

No. 89.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Report from the Acting Registrar General, covering Returns of Births and Deaths for the Quarter ending 31st March, 1874, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd May, 1874.

No. 36.

REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, HONGKONG, 18th May, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honor to forward the Return of Births and Deaths for the 1st Quarter of 1874.

A total of 488 Births and 556 Deaths have been registered during that period in Victoria and the four Districts of Shau-ki Wán, Stanley, Aberdeen and Kau-lung.

Of this number, 42 Births and 27 Deaths occurred amongst Persons other than Chinese.

The Births are those of 19 Boys and 23 Girls.

Five Deaths in this class were of non-residents, the remainder were thus distributed as regards nationality:

British,	10.
Portuguese,	7.
Indian,	5.

The Births and Deaths amongst the Chinese were those of:—

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Deaths, 464
Victoria,	224	171	395	25
Shau-ki Wán,	7	8	15	7
Stanley,	3	...	3	19
Aberdeen,	2	4	6	14
Kau-lung,	12	15	27	

Total,

Births, ...	446	Deaths, ...	529
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The 1st Quarter of the year was far healthier than the 1st Quarter of last year, when the Deaths amongst Chinese were 650, and amongst Foreigners 49. The Death rate of the latter for the 1st Quarter of this year is at the rate of 16.82, and that of the former 18.31, and the whole Death rate of the Colony is 18.23 annually for every thousand persons living.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

M. S. TONNOCHY,
Acting Registrar General.

The Honorable J. GARDINER AUSTIN,

Colonial Secretary,

HONGKONG.

No. 83.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Tenders will be received at this Office, until Noon of the 25th instant, for the Erection of a Light House and keeper's dwelling at Cape Collinson.

Plans and Specification can be seen on application at the Surveyor General's Office, where also a Form of Tender may be obtained.

The Government will not bind itself to accept the lowest, or any Tender.

By Command,

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th May, 1874.