

JURY LIST—1886.

NOTICE is hereby given that Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 4 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1882, I have This Day caused to be Posted in the COURT HOUSE, a LIST OF ALL MEN ascertained by me to be liable to serve as JURORS.

The said List will remain so posted for the term of *one fortnight*, in order that any Person may, as the case shall be, apply by Notice in writing to me requiring that his Name, or the Names of some other Person or Persons may be respectively either added to, or struck off the said List, upon cause duly assigned in such Notice.

Registry, Supreme Court,
This 1st day of February, 1886.

EDW. J. ACKROYD,
Registrar.

SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

THE Court will sit in *Summary Jurisdiction*, every *Friday*, until further notice.

THE Court will sit in *Original Jurisdiction*, on every *Monday* and *Thursday*, until further notice.

By Order of the Court,

EDW. J. ACKROYD,
Registrar.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

FORTY-FIRST

REPORT OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS

TO THE

ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

OF

SHAREHOLDERS

TO BE HELD

AT THE CITY HALL, HONGKONG,

On *Saturday*, the *27th February*, 1886,

AT NOON.

To the Proprietors of the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

GENTLEMEN,

The Directors have now to submit to you a General Statement of the affairs of the Bank, and Balance Sheet for the half-year ending 31st December last.

The net profits for that period, including \$50,779.22 brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for bad and doubtful debts, amount to \$998,800.38, of which, after taking out remuneration to Directors, there remains for appropriation \$988,800.38.

From this sum, the Directors recommend the payment of a Dividend of Two Pounds Sterling per Share, which will absorb \$533,333.33, and a Bonus of Ten Shillings per Share which will absorb \$133,333.33.

The difference in Exchange between 4/6, the rate at which the Dividend and Bonus are declared and 3/4 the current rate of the day amounts to \$233,333.34.

The Directors propose writing off Bank Premises Account the sum of \$25,000.

The Balance \$63,800.38 to be brought forward to the Credit of new Profit and Loss Account.

DIRECTORS.

Mr. E. E. SASSOON has resigned his seat at the Board in consequence of his departure from the Colony. The Directors retiring in rotation are Messrs. GROTE, BOTTOMLEY and HOPPIUS, being eligible for re-election they offer themselves accordingly.

Mr. MCIVER has been appointed Chairman for the year 1886, and Mr. M. GROTE Vice-Chairman subject to his re-election.

AUDITORS.

The Accounts have been audited by the Hon. PHINEAS RYRIE and Mr. FULLARTON HENDERSON, and the Court recommend the re-election of these Gentlemen as Auditors for the year 1886.

Chief Management.—Mr. JACKSON having been granted twelve months leave of absence, Mr. JOHN WALTER has been appointed Acting Chief Manager.

Inspection of Branches.—Mr. GEORGE EDWARD NOBLE has been appointed Inspector of Branches.

F. D. SASSOON,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1886.

ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

31st December, 1885.

LIABILITIES.

Paid-up Capital,.....	\$ 7,500,000.00
Reserve Fund,.....	4,500,000.00
Reserve for Equalization of Dividends,	500,000.00
Marine Insurance Account,.....	233,917.43
Notes in Circulation,.....	\$ 4,662,736.22
Deposits,.....	65,615,078.96
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	70,277,815.18
Bills Payable (including Drafts on London Bankers and Short Sight Drawings on London Office against Bills Receivable and Bullion Shipments),.....	20,788,303.52
Profit and Loss Account,.....	998,800.38
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	\$104,798,836.51

ASSETS.

Cash,.....	\$12,508,664.66
INVESTMENTS, viz.:—	
£100,000, 3 per cent. Consols.	
£150,000, 3 per cent. Indian Government Sterling Loan.	
The above deposited with the Bank of England as a Special London Reserve,.....	1,368,000.00
Rs. 512,000, Indian Loan,.....	} 2,900,249.50
4 1/2 per cent. Rupee Loan,.....	
Rs. 6,105,000, Indian 4 per cent. Rupee Loan,.....	
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	4,268,249.50
Bills Discounted, Loans and Credits,	40,793,321.41
Bills Receivable,.....	46,583,980.88
Bank Premises,.....	537,454.29
Dead Stock,.....	107,165.77
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	\$104,798,836.51

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Dr. 31st December, 1885.

To AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF:—	
Remuneration to Directors,.....	\$10,000.00
To DIVIDEND ACCOUNT:—	
£2 per Share on 60,000 Shares=£120,000 @ 4/6 per \$,.....	\$533,333.33
Bonus of 10/ per Share on 60,000 Shares=£30,000 @ 4/6,.....	133,333.33
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	\$ 666,666.66
To DIVIDEND ADJUSTMENT ACCOUNT:—	
Difference in Exchange between 4/6, the rate at which the dividend and Bonus are declared, and 3/4, the Current rate of the day,.....	233,333.34
To WRITTEN OFF:—	
Bank Premises Account,.....	25,000.00
To BALANCE carried forward to next half-year,.....	63,800.38
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	\$998,800.38
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By Balance of Undivided Profits, 30th June, 1885,.....	\$ 50,779.22
By Amount of Net Profits for the Six Months ending 31st December, 1885, after deducting all Expenses and Interest paid and due,.....	948,021.16
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	\$998,800.38

RESERVE FUND.

To Balance on 31st December, 1885,.....	\$4,500,000.00
By Balance on 30th June, 1885,.....	\$4,500,000.00

RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS.

To Balance on 31st December, 1885,.....	\$500,000.00
By Balance on 30th June, 1885,.....	\$500,000.00

T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager*.

H. M. BEVIS, *Acting Chief Accountant*.

F. D. SASSOON,
A. MCIVER,
M. GROTE, } *Directors*.

We have compared the above Statements with the Books, Vouchers and Securities at the Head Office, and with the Returns from the various Branches and Agencies, and have found the same to be correct.

P. RYRIE,
F. HENDERSON, } *Auditors*.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1886.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Seventeenth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on *Tuesday*, the *23rd February* instant, at 2.30 p.m. to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1885, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 10th to the 23rd day of February instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1886.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. WOTTON & DEACON, Solicitors, No. 35, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on *MONDAY*, the *22nd day of February*, 1886, at noon, under the provisions of Section 130 of the Companies' Ordinance, No. 1 of 1865, when the Liquidator of the Company will lay before the Meeting an Account showing the manner in which the Winding-up of the Company has been conducted, and also for the purpose of deciding as to the disposal of the Books, Accounts, and Documents of the Company.

Dated the 23rd day of January, 1886.

F. D. SASSOON,
Liquidator.

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