

6. A letter (No. $\frac{313}{87}$) from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary on the subject of overcrowding was read. Resolved,—That the Chairman, Dr. MANSON and the Secretary be appointed a sub-committee to consider the question of the minimum cubic space per adult person which should be provided in Chinese lodging-houses and tenement-dwellings to admit of the inmates thereof living healthy lives, and to submit a report thereon to the Board.

7. A letter (No. $\frac{332}{87}$) from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary intimating that His Excellency the Acting Governor would be glad to receive a copy of the bye-laws for the prevention of overcrowding referred to in the draft Public Health Bill submitted by the Board was read. The Chairman stated that he would draft the bye-laws in question and submit them for the consideration of the Board.

8. The Acting Registrar General stated that if the present Western Market was to be continued for any length of time it would be necessary to deal with the overcrowding which existed in it; the particulars of which he would submit to the Board at an early date.

9. On the motion of Major DEMPSTER, seconded by the Hon. A. P. McEWEN, it was resolved,—That in view of the decision of the Government to take measures for the abatement of overcrowding in native tenements in Victoria, a letter be addressed to the Colonial Secretary inviting the attention of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to the desirability of disposing, during the current year, of as much Crown Land as may be available in the vicinity of the town for building purposes with a view to facilitating the erection of new houses.

The Board then adjourned till Noon on Friday, the 1st April, 1887.

J. M. PRICE,
Chairman.

Read and confirmed, this 6th day of April, 1887.

HUGH McCALLUM,
Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 134.

The following Returns of the Average Amount of BANK NOTES in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the Month ended 31st March, 1887, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th April, 1887.

BANKS.	AVERAGE AMOUNT.	SPECIE IN RESERVE.
	\$	\$
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,.....	978,080	330,000
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,.....	982,490	500,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,.....	2,979,967	1,500,000
TOTAL,.....\$	4,940,537	2,330,000

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 135.

The following Returns of Deaths for the week ended the 2nd April are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th April, 1887.

RETURN SHOWING THE NUMBER OF DEATHS REGISTERED DURING THE

CAUSES.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.										
				VICTORIA DISTRICT.										
				DIVISION.										
	Civil.	Army.	Navy.	So-kon Po.	Bowrington.	Wan-t'ai.	Ha-wan.	Sheung Wan.	Chung Wan.	T'ai-ping Shan.	Sai Ying-pun.	Shek-tong Tsui.	Kennedy Town.	Harbour.
Convulsions,	1	..	3	5	2	..	..	..
Diphtheria,
Quinsy (Trismus),	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Phthisis or Consumption, ...	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	2
Bronchitis and Pneumonia,	1	..	1	1	..	..	..
Dysentery,	1	..	..	..	..
Diarrhoea or Purgings,	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do., Choleraic or Vomiting and Purgings, }
Cholera,
Colic,
Fever, Simple Continued,	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Do., Remittent or Malarial,	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Do., Intermittent,	1	..	..	..	..	..
Do., Typhoid or Enteric,
Do., Attended with Rigors,	1
Ague,	3	1	1	..	..
Small-Pox,	2	..	..	..	..
Measles,	1	..	..	..	..
Asthma,
Debility,	2	..	..	..	..
Dropsy, Ascites,
Tetanus or Lock Jaw,
Premature Birth,	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Unknown,	1	..	..	1
Accidents,
Old Age,	1	..	..	..
Typhus Fever,	1	..	..	..	..
Natural Causes,	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Marasmus,	4	..	..	..	..	..
Abscess of the Neck,	1	..	..	..	..	..
Hemorrhage, Child Birth } after delivery,	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Undiagnosed,	1	..	1	..	..	..
Meningitis,	1	..	..	..	..	..
Whooping Cough,
TOTAL,	2	1	..	..	..	2	10	1	18	19	7	2	1	5

REMARKS.

Italian Convent.

Fever,	1
Convulsion,	1
Trismus,	3
Meningitis,	1
Consumption,	1
Marasmus,	4
Total	11

French Convent.

Fever,	1
Trismus,	4
Consumption,	1
Diarrhoea,	1
Total	7

Alice Memorial Hospital.

Abscess of the Neck,	1
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WEEK ENDING THE 2ND DAY OF APRIL, 1887, AND THEIR CAUSES.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.								TOTAL AT DIFFERENT AGE PERIODS.						GRAND TOTAL.
KAU-LUNG DISTRICT.		SHAU-KI WAN DISTRICT.		ABERDEEN DISTRICT.		STANLEY DISTRICT.		Under 1 Month.	Over 1 & under 12 Months.	Over 1 & under 5 Years.	Over 5 & under 15 Years.	Over 15 & under 45 Years.	Over 45 Years.	
Land Population.	Boat Population.	Land Population.	Boat Population.	Land Population.	Boat Population.	Land Population.	Boat Population.							
..	5	4	2	..	..	11
..	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
1	1	..	7	2	10
..	1	1	..	1	..	3
..	1	..	..	1	..	1
..
..
..	2	..	..	..	2	4
..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
..	1	2	3
..
..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2
..	2	..	2	1	..	5
..	1	1	..	..	1	2
..	1	1
..	1	..	..	1	2
..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
1	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	2
..	1	..	..	3	..	1
..	4	..	..	..	..	4
..	1	..	1
..	1	..	1
1	3	3
1	1	..	..	1	1
4	1	3	..	..	1	..	..	9	18	10	6	18	15	77

* 1 Age unknown in Victoria.

REMARKS.

Tung Wa Hospital.

Small-pox,	3
Asthma,	1
Consumption,	2
Dropsy,	1
Dysentery,	1
Intermittent Fever,	1
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J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Acting Registrar General.

A SUMMARY OF DEATHS AND THEIR CAUSES SHOWN IN THE FOREGOING RETURN

DISEASE.	EUROPEAN AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.						
	Civil. — Esti- mated Popula- tion. 6,326	Army. — Esti- mated Strength. ...	Navy. — Esti- mated Strength. ...	VICTORIA DISTRICT.—						
				So-kon Po.	Bowrington.	Wan-tsai.	Ha-wan.	Sheung Wan.	Chung Wan.	Tai-ping Shan.
				Estimated Population,						
Infantile Convulsive Diseases, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	5
Throat Affections, { Acute, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	3	...
{ Chronic, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chest Affections, { Acute, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2
{ Chronic,	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3
Bowel Complaints, { Cholera, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Cholera Nostras, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Cholera Infantum, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Diarrhoea, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
	{ Dysentery, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
{ Colic, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fevers, { Typhus; .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Malarial, { Remittent, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
	{ Intermittent, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	{ Simple Continued, .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1
	{ Exanthematous, { Typhoid, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ Measles, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
{ Small-pox, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Marasmus, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...
Other Causes,	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	5	2
TOTAL,	2	1	...	...	...	2	10	1	18	19

SANITARY BOARD ROOM,
HONGKONG, 7th April, 1887.

AS HAVING BEEN REGISTERED DURING THE WEEK ENDING 2ND APRIL, 1887.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.												TOTAL.	GRAND TOTAL.
DIVISION.				Kaulung District.		Shaukiwán District.		Aberdeen District.		Stanley District.			
Sai Ying-pun.	Shek-tong Tsui.	Kennedy Town.	Harbour. Estimated Population.	Estimated Population.		Estimated Population.		Estimated Population.		Estimated Population.			
.....	120,021	10,305	12,358	Land.	Boat.	Land.	Boat.	Land.	Boat.	Land.	Boat.		
2	11	11
...	7	} 7
...	
1	4	} 14
...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
...	} 2
...	
...	1	
...	1	
...	} 19
1	1	
...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3	
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	19
...	} 5
...	2	
1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5
...	4	4
2	1	...	2	3	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	20	20
7	2	1	5	4	1	3	...	...	1	...	...	77	77

HUGH MCCALLUM,
Secretary.

Statement showing the death-rate in the different registration districts during the week ending 2nd April, 1887.

British and Foreign Community.—Civil Population,	16.4	per 1,000 per annum.
Chinese Community.—Victoria District,—Land Population,	26.0	} " "
" " " Boat " 	12.8	
" Kaulung " Land " 	16.8	} " "
" " " Boat " 	10.4	
" Shauiwán " Land " 	33.6	} " "
" " " Boat " 	—	
" Aberdeen " Land " 	—	} " "
" " " Boat " 	14.8	
" Stanley " Land " 	—	} " "
" " " Boat " 	—	
" The whole Colony, Land " 	24.8	} " "
" " " Boat " 	10.8	
" " " Land and Boat Population,	22.1	" "

HUGH MCCALLUM,
Secretary.

SANITARY BOARD ROOM,
HONGKONG, 7th April, 1887.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DEATHS RECORDED UNDER THE DIFFERENT GROUPS OF DISEASES FOR EACH WEEK OF THE CURRENT YEAR.									DEATH-RATE RECORDED PER 1,000 PER ANNUM.			
1887.	CONVULSIVE DISEASES.		Throat Affections.	Chest Affections.	Bowel Complaints.	Fever.	Other Causes.	TOTAL.	British and Foreign Community, Civil Population.	CHINESE COMMUNITY.		
	Under one Month.	Over one Month.								POPULATION.		
									Land.	Boat.	Land & Boat.	
Week ending the 8th January,	...	10	5	19	7	17	21	79	33.3	25	7.7	21.6
Do. the 15th "	...	4	5	23	6	12	24	74	24.9	24.6	7.7	21.3
Do. the 22nd "	1	8	...	20	8	8	21	66	16.6	19.7	13.8	18.6
Do. the 29th "	...	4	4	21	5	12	17	63	16.6	18.6	16.9	18.3
Do. the 5th February,	...	6	5	21	4	17	22	75	16.5	20.8	23.1	21.2
Do. the 12th "	...	15	4	23	6	13	23	84	49.4	26.3	9.2	23.0
Do. the 19th "	...	5	5	27	7	19	15	78	24.7	24.5	12.3	22.1
Do. the 26th "	...	6	5	20	5	16	17	69	8.2	20.4	16.9	19.7
Do. the 5th March,	...	7	15	20	4	10	22	78	24.7	25.6	9.2	22.4
Do. the 12th "	1	10	8	20	3	22	18	82	16.4	27.0	10.7	23.9
Do. the 19th "	...	9	10	15	7	18	24	83	32.9	25.9	13.8	23.6
Do. the 26th "	...	5	11	20	2	10	21	69	57.5	21.1	7.7	18.5
Do. the 2nd April,	...	11	7	14	2	19	24	77	16.4	24.8	10.8	22.1

HUGH MCCALLUM,
Secretary.

SANITARY BOARD ROOM,
HONGKONG, 7th April, 1887.