

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 96.

The following Bye-Laws under *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*, are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th March, 1889.

Bye-Laws made by the Sanitary Board of Hongkong for the compulsory vacating of infected premises, and the disinfection and purification of the same under the provisions of Sub-section 19 of Section 13 of *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*.

1. In the following Bye-Laws the words "infected premises" mean and include any premises in which any person suffering from any infectious disease is or has been recently located.

The words "infectious disease" mean and include Small-pox and such other diseases as may from time to time be defined by the Board by resolution for the purpose.

2. On receipt of a certificate from a duly qualified Medical Practitioner that any person suffering from any infectious disease is improperly lodged, the Sanitary Superintendent shall in case the said person is unwilling to be removed forthwith apply to a Magistrate for an order for the removal of such person under the provisions of Section 29 of the Ordinance.

3. When any person suffering from any infectious disease is willing to be removed to a hospital or other suitable place the Sanitary Superintendent shall with the assent of the patient take such measures as he may deem necessary for the safe and convenient removal of the said patient.

4. When any person suffering from any infectious disease has been removed from any premises or has recovered or has died the Sanitary Superintendent shall with the assent of the occupiers of the infected premises take such steps as he may deem necessary for the disinfection and purification of the said premises.

5. In case of emergency or if for any reason the Sanitary Superintendent is unable to carry out the duties specified in the foregoing Bye-Laws any Officer of the Board authorized by the President for that purpose may act in his place.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1889.

WM. EDWARD CROW,
Acting Secretary.

Passed the Legislative Council on the 7th March, 1889.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 97.

The following Annual Report of the Captain Superintendent of Police for 1888, which was laid before the Legislative Council on the 7th instant, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th March, 1889.

No. 31.

POLICE DEPARTMENT,
24th January, 1889.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, the Criminal Statistics for the year 1888. They show that 8,114 cases were reported to the Police during the last year, being a decrease of 367 cases or 4.32 per cent on the return for 1887. In the subdivision of these cases into Serious Crimes (so-called) and Minor Offences a decrease of 141 cases or 5.47 per cent is found in Serious Crimes, and a decrease of 226 cases or 3.82 per cent in Minor Offences.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient Servant,

W. M. DEANE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.

The Honourable COLONIAL SECRETARY.

TABLE A.
RETURN OF SERIOUS AND MINOR OFFENCES REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN COMMITTED DURING THE YEAR 1888, WITH THE RESULTS OF SUCH REPORTS.

1888.	Robberies with Violence from the Person.		Burglaries.		Larcenies in Dwelling Houses.		Assaults with Intent to Rob.		Larcenies.		Felonies not already given.		Assaults and Disorderly Conduct.		Gambling.		Kidnapping.		Unlawful Possession.		Piracy.		Drunkenness.		Nuisances.		Miscellaneous Offences.		Europeans and Amer. cans.		Indians.		Chinese.		Total.		TOTAL OF ALL CASES.	
	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.		
January	5	4	6	2	4	1	1	1	1	86	30	3	72	16	1	8	13	15	33	30	1	1	23	30	19	344	60	20	1	2	622	126	644	127	728			
February	5	6	14	8	1	1	1	1	61	21	1	45	15	1	1	7	1	13	9	13	1	1	44	62	16	296	41	13	4	420	95	437	96	591				
March	4	1	4	3	1	1	1	1	75	17	6	70	30	7	90	10	4	9	13	9	1	1	25	68	30	366	38	6	2	604	97	670	104	746				
April	3	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	143	24	4	100	111	41	61	6	8	28	19	9	1	1	12	19	7	314	46	25	3	568	123	685	129	858				
May	2	1	4	1	2	1	1	1	56	27	4	87	114	37	99	10	7	9	23	14	2	1	13	24	5	404	68	17	1	789	170	778	172	750				
June	5	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	56	21	3	80	106	21	9	6	4	6	20	16	6	1	19	29	30	544	96	42	2	679	150	723	154	898				
July	2	1	2	1	4	1	1	1	49	25	5	92	132	25	12	9	1	16	17	17	2	1	13	20	1	290	54	13	4	575	117	592	127	613				
August	1	1	2	1	6	1	1	1	62	27	8	79	95	25	13	4	4	6	20	16	6	1	13	35	3	242	86	19	8	458	195	479	265	591				
September	6	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	61	27	7	91	88	46	5	8	10	10	15	10	1	1	13	34	1	218	60	17	4	381	165	406	170	564				
October	4	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	68	24	13	87	104	29	17	5	6	1	23	17	4	1	14	20	2	341	41	22	8	563	158	591	137	678				
November	3	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	66	21	3	78	89	33	4	5	5	29	20	13	1	20	23	9	388	53	25	4	532	124	681	132	738					
December	6	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	57	20	8	67	98	11	2	2	4	2	26	23	4	1	9	35	3	228	66	26	7	375	101	402	108	559				
TOTAL	45	19	52	16	24	2	1	4	776	284	76	968	1,187	320	62	489	67	91	37	96	254	208	99	4	229	399	125	3,905	709	245	51	32	19	6,611	1,591	6,888	1,661	8,114

a. 5 arrested, 2 convicted of murder, 3 charged with receiving stolen goods.
 b. 1 died in Hospital.
 c. 1 absconded from bail.
 d. 1 died while on bail.
 e. 1 absconded from bail.
 f. 2 absconded from bail.
 g. 1 case undecided.

W. M. DEANE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.

Police Department, Hongkong, 22nd January, 1889.

TABLE B.
RETURN OF MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN COMMITTED DURING THE YEAR 1888, WITH THE RESULTS OF SUCH REPORTS.

1888.	Mendicants.		Unlicensed Hawking.		Street Cries.		Desertion, Refusal and Neglect of Duty.		Rogues, Vagabonds and Suspicious Characters, Triad Society.		Breath of Public Vehicles Ordinance.		Breath of Merchant Shipping Ordinance.		Breath of Opium and Spirit Ordinances.		Breath of Police, Gao, Deportation Ordinances.		Breath of Pawnbrokers, Weights and Measures Ordinances.		Spurious Coin.		Intimidation, Extortion, Bribery and Conspiracy.		Cutting Trees or Earth.		Obtaining Goods and Money by False Pretences.		Damage to Property.		Attempt to commit Suicide.		Trespass.		Crimes to Animals and Furtive Driving.		Contempt of Court, Perjury or False Charge.		Breath of Dangerous Goods and Arms Ords.		Totals.		
	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	
January, ...	7	5	42	86	38	39	1	7	17	24	22	7	31	78	2	77	61	20	4	19	32	2	1	1	5	16	14	3	1	1	1	1	9	8	2	5	3	3	1	2	344	393	60
February, ...	14	13	28	24	2	2	11	28	38	38	18	6	33	99	..	40	57	4	5	17	16	1	..	3	2	18	5	1	5	4	2	5	6	6	6	6	226	296	41		
March, ...	12	11	97	98	28	28	6	1	30	30	12	5	35	56	1	58	51	7	11	54	56	..	1	1	4	14	13	1	2	1	6	4	3	6	4	3	6	6	6	366	379	38	
April, ...	27	22	5	103	3	3	7	6	28	35	4	2	31	56	..	30	18	12	3	53	51	2	..	2	3	7	6	1	3	1	5	4	2	3	3	1	1	4	1	3	314	313	46
May, ...	27	22	10	156	14	20	5	6	39	39	8	6	51	159	1	48	38	11	2	19	18	1	..	1	1	8	6	2	3	1	2	3	..	2	3	..	2	3	1	5	480	480	68
June, ...	76	65	15	243	20	32	17	33	46	46	9	2	13	21	3	35	33	4	2	41	38	4	..	1	2	15	7	9	1	2	1	6	3	5	7	7	3	5	4	544	527	96	
July, ...	3	3	1	85	7	16	15	8	47	50	5	9	20	74	7	40	31	9	2	24	22	2	..	3	2	5	5	..	2	1	2	4	6	5	2	8	2	2	2	290	317	54	
August, ...	3	1	2	67	9	4	4	8	45	45	10	5	18	43	17	35	23	12	1	24	22	3	2	3	1	3	1	6	4	3	1	8	7	11	2	3	4	1	3	242	229	86	
September, ...	17	12	5	42	40	3	4	5	32	34	6	1	19	35	..	42	38	10	3	15	15	7	7	1	2	..	11	6	13	4	8	14	2	1	1	218	214	60	
October, ...	18	14	8	118	121	1	22	2	41	61	9	8	25	49	..	30	24	9	5	35	35	1	..	1	1	7	5	2	7	4	1	12	14	5	..	5	3	7	..	388	369	53	
November, ...	11	8	4	147	137	11	35	5	52	48	12	17	16	27	..	30	33	..	42	38	4	1	1	1	1	7	7	1	7	4	1	2	1	..	5	3	7	..	388	369	53		
December, ...	11	9	2	40	29	11	30	7	41	39	6	8	14	23	5	30	29	5	4	19	13	6	1	1	2	4	4	..	2	1	6	1	12	..	6	1	2	1	223	207	66		
TOTAL, ...	286	183	60	1,218	1,142	94	940	233	88	138	23	70	306	750	86	495	411	108	6	362	356	26	6	6	5	26	106	85	81	85	20	10	37	22	111	2	83	166	67	32	3,906	4,096	709

* Absconded from bail.

Police Department, Hongkong, 22nd January, 1889.

W. M. DEANE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.

TABLE C.
COMPARATIVE RETURN OF OFFENCES coming under the Notice of the POLICE, during the Years 1886, 1887, and 1888.

DESCRIPTION.	SERIOUS.						MINOR.								
	NUMBER OF CASES.		NUMBER OF PERSONS				DESCRIPTION.	NUMBER OF CASES.		NUMBER OF PERSONS					
	1886.	1887.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1886.		1887.	1888.	Convicted.		Discharged.			
Murder,.....	3	1	2	2	2	10	1,031	1,101	958	1,486	1,425	1,187	225	335	329
Robbery with Violence from the Person,.....	64	31	45	19	15	13	248	99	62	762	766	489	31	211	67
Burglary or Larceny from Dwelling,.....	68	60	76	18	6	2	3,735	3,941	3,905	4,209	4,119	4,096	416	668	709
Assault with Intent to Rob,.....	4	...	4	3	1	...	373	231	229						
Kidnapping,.....	78	90	91	37	55	96	470	340	399						
Piracy,.....	10	8	12	1	10	4	479	192	125						
Unlawful Possession,.....	291	327	254	263	65	99									
Larcenies,.....	1,898	1,878	898	815	278	284									
Felonies not already given,.....	84	75	74	50	40	47									
Total,.....	2,500	2,577	2,436	1,234	1,116	556	6,386	5,904	5,678	6,457	6,310	5,772	672	1,214	1,105

1888—Total Number of Cases 8,114, being a Decrease of 367 Cases or 4.32 per cent. under 1887.
 Decrease of Serious Crimes 141 Cases or 5.47 per cent. Decrease of Minor Offences 226 Cases or 3.82 per cent.

W. M. DEANE,
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Police Department, Hongkong, 22nd January, 1889.

TABLE D.
1.—RETURN of SERIOUS OFFENCES reported to the POLICE, during the 10 Years ending 1888, showing the Number of Prisoners Arrested, Convicted and Discharged.

YEAR.	Murder.			Robbery with Violence from the Person.			Burglary and Larceny in Dwelling House.			Assault with Intent to Rob.			Kidnapping.			Piracy.			Unlawful Possession.			Larceny.			Felonies not already given.											
	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.									
1879,	4	4	1	5	39	10	20	30	101	44	9	53	1	...	1	...	...	7	6	1	7	333	302	105	407	1,850	972	302	1,274	11	5	7	12			
1880,	1	...	...	...	25	16	3	19	53	31	10	41	2	...	1	...	...	62	50	62	251	226	70	251	1,662	898	239	1,137	6	1	15	16				
1881,	2	1	...	1	19	15	8	23	60	34	8	42	...	...	7	12	9	21	360	1,879	979	260	1,239	9	7	5	12	9	7	5	12					
1882,	2	1	...	1	30	21	6	27	91	49	27	76	1	...	5	8	11	14	275	239	76	315	2,104	1,053	344	1,397	33	10	36	46						
1883,	*2	...	...	2	30	17	15	32	81	21	4	25	1	...	1	...	...	8	254	217	81	298	1,980	887	312	1,199	82	25	22	47						
Total,	11	6	1	9	143	79	52	131	386	179	58	237	5	1	3	4	251	177	247	424	43	37	79	116	1,301	1,246	385	1,631	9,475	4,789	1,457	6,246	141	48	85	133
1884,	4	...	26	26	52	18	8	26	47	15	9	24	2	1	...	1	32	4	39	48	9	16	28	44	298	262	109	371	2,153	949	322	1,271	55	32	19	51
1885,	3	...	2	2	96	70	35	105	67	28	7	55	3	1	...	1	53	25	60	85	17	13	20	33	229	165	96	261	1,927	952	300	1,252	45	36	40	76
1886,	3	...	2	2	64	33	15	48	68	32	6	38	4	1	6	78	63	55	118	10	1	10	11	291	287	65	352	1,898	898	278	1,176	84	70	40	110	
1887,	1	...	1	1	31	23	3	26	60	11	8	19	...	...	8	18	54	72	126	8	18	14	32	327	263	120	383	1,985	815	280	1,095	76	50	68	118	
1888,	2	2	10	12	45	19	13	32	76	18	2	20	4	3	1	4	91	37	96	133	12	...	4	4	234	208	99	307	1,878	776	284	1,060	74	53	47	100
Total,	13	2	41	43	283	163	74	287	318	104	32	136	13	10	2	12	334	183	322	505	56	48	76	124	1,399	1,185	489	1,674	9,841	4,300	1,464	5,854	334	241	214	455
Average of 1st period,	2.2	1.2	0.2	1.8	28.6	15.9	10.4	26.2	77.2	35.8	11.6	47.4	1.0	0.2	0.6	0.8	50.2	35.4	49.4	84.8	8.6	7.4	15.8	23.2	278.2	249.2	77.0	326.2	1895.0	957.8	291.4	1249.2	28.2	9.6	17.0	24.6
Average of 2nd period,	2.6	0.4	8.2	8.6	57.6	32.6	14.8	47.4	63.6	20.8	6.4	27.2	2.6	2.0	0.4	2.4	66.8	36.6	64.4	101.0	11.2	9.6	15.2	24.8	279.8	237.0	97.8	334.8	1968.2	878.0	292.8	1170.8	66.8	48.2	42.8	90.0

* In one case the Murderer committed Suicide.

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2.—RETURN of MINOR OFFENCES reported to the POLICE, during the 10 Years ending 1888, showing Number of Prisoners Arrested, Convicted and Discharged.

YEAR.	ASSAULT.				GAMBLING.				MISCELLANEOUS.				DRUNKENNESS.	NUISANCES.	NO LIGHT OR PASS.
	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.	Cases reported.	No. of Persons convicted.	No. of Persons discharged.	Total No. arrested.				Cases reported.
1879,	838	1,134	376	1,510	157	499	185	684	1,442	1,717	387	2,054	301	232	762
1880,	746	965	310	1,275	358	814	191	1,005	1,815	1,769	374	2,143	276	329	840
1881,	904	1,430	227	1,657	397	1,046	108	1,154	1,879	1,983	367	2,350	387	284	566
1882,	754	1,089	317	1,406	261	693	147	840	1,750	1,820	382	2,202	276	263	424
1883,	730	852	299	1,151	86	358	166	524	2,629	2,804	559	3,363	158	527	1,135
Total,	3,972	5,470	1,529	6,999	1,259	3,410	797	4,207	9,515	10,093	2,019	12,112	1,348	1,635	3,727
1884,	1,118	1,513	397	1,910	104	594	124	718	2,441	2,636	581	3,217	202	790	2,896
1885,	753	973	273	1,246	255	736	58	794	1,901	1,998	426	2,424	323	690	387
1886,	1,031	1,486	225	1,711	248	762	31	793	3,735	4,209	416	4,625	373	470	479
1887,	1,101	1,425	335	1,760	99	766	211	977	3,941	4,119	668	4,787	231	340	192
1888,	958	1,187	329	1,516	62	489	67	556	3,905	4,096	709	4,805	229	399	125
Total,	4,961	6,584	1,559	8,143	768	3,347	491	3,838	15,923	17,058	2,800	19,858	1,358	2,689	4,079
Average of 1st period,	794.4	1094.0	305.8	1399.8	251.8	682.0	159.4	841.4	1903.0	2018.6	403.8	2422.4	269.6	327.0	745.4
Average of 2nd period,	992.2	1316.8	311.8	1628.6	153.6	669.4	98.2	767.6	3184.6	3411.6	560.0	3971.6	271.6	537.8	815.8

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3.—CASES REPORTED TO POLICE.

SERIOUS OFFENCES.

In 1879,	2,397 cases.	In 1884,	2,652 cases.
„ 1880,	2,051 „	„ 1885,	2,466 „
„ 1881,	2,329 „	„ 1886,	2,500 „
„ 1882,	2,596 „	„ 1887,	2,577 „
„ 1883,	2,423 „	„ 1888,	2,436 „
	<u>11,796 cases.</u>		<u>12,631 cases.</u>

Increase of 7.07 per cent. in second period.

MINOR OFFENCES.

In 1879,	3,732 cases.	In 1884,	7,551 cases.
„ 1880,	4,364 „	„ 1885,	4,309 „
„ 1881,	4,367 „	„ 1886,	6,336 „
„ 1882,	3,728 „	„ 1887,	5,904 „
„ 1883,	5,265 „	„ 1888,	5,678 „
	<u>21,456 cases.</u>		<u>29,778 cases.</u>

Increase of 38.32 per cent. in second period.

Altogether.

In 1879,	6,129 cases.	In 1884,	10,203 cases.
„ 1880,	6,415 „	„ 1885,	6,775 „
„ 1881,	6,696 „	„ 1886,	8,836 „
„ 1882,	6,324 „	„ 1887,	8,481 „
„ 1883,	7,688 „	„ 1888,	8,114 „
	<u>33,252 cases.</u>		<u>42,409 cases.</u>

Increase of 27.24 per cent. in second period.

4.—DETAIL OF CASES REPORTED TO POLICE.

SERIOUS OFFENCES.

	1879 to 1883.	Yearly Average.	1884 to 1888.	Yearly Average.
1. Murder,	11	2.2	13	2.6
2. Robbery with Violence,	143	28.6	288	57.6
3. Burglaries & Larcenies in Dwellings,	386	77.2	318	63.6
4. Assault with Intent to Rob,	5	1.0	13	2.6
5. Kidnapping,	251	50.2	334	66.8
6. Piracy,	43	8.6	56	11.2
7. Unlawful Possession,	1,391	278.2	1,399	279.8
8. Larcenies,	9,475	1,895.0	9,841	1,968.2
9. Felonies not already given,	141	28.2	334	66.8

MINOR OFFENCES.

	1879 to 1883.	Yearly Average.	1884 to 1888.	Yearly Average.
10. Assault,	3,972	794.4	4,961	992.2
11. Gambling,	1,259	251.8	768	153.6
12. Miscellaneous,	9,515	1,903.0	15,923	3,184.6
13. Drunkenness,	1,348	269.6	1,358	271.6
14. Nuisances,	1,635	327.0	2,689	537.8
15. No Pass or Light,	3,727	745.4	4,079	815.8

5.—NUMBER OF PERSONS ARRESTED BY POLICE.

FOR SERIOUS OFFENCES.

In 1879,	1,866 persons.	In 1884,	1,857 persons.
„ 1880,	1,638 „	„ 1885,	1,859 „
„ 1881,	1,796 „	„ 1886,	1,861 „
„ 1882,	1,966 „	„ 1887,	1,799 „
„ 1883,	1,663 „	„ 1888,	1,672 „
	<u>8,929 persons.</u>		<u>9,048 persons.</u>

FOR MINOR OFFENCES.

Excepting Nos. 13, 14 and 15 (See Table 2) of which no details are given.

In 1879,	4,248 persons.	In 1884,	5,845 persons.
„ 1880,	4,423 „	„ 1885,	4,464 „
„ 1881,	5,161 „	„ 1886,	7,129 „
„ 1882,	4,448 „	„ 1887,	7,524 „
„ 1883,	5,038 „	„ 1888,	6,877 „
	<u>23,318 persons.</u>		<u>31,839 persons.</u>

Altogether excepting Nos. 13, 14 and 15.

In 1879,	6,114 persons.	In 1884,	7,702 persons.
„ 1880,	6,061 „	„ 1885,	6,323 „
„ 1881,	6,957 „	„ 1886,	8,990 „
„ 1882,	6,414 „	„ 1887,	9,323 „
„ 1883,	6,701 „	„ 1888,	8,549 „
	<u>32,247 persons.</u>		<u>40,887 persons.</u>

6.—DETAILS OF NUMBER OF PERSONS ARRESTED.

FOR SERIOUS OFFENCES.

	1879 to 1883.	1884 to 1888.
1. Murder,	9	43
2. Robbery with Violence from Person,	131	237
3. Burglaries and Larcenies from Dwellings,	237	136
4. Assault with Intent to Rob,	4	12
5. Kidnapping,	424	505
6. Piracy,	116	124
7. Unlawful Possession,	1,631	1,674
8. Larcenies,	6,246	5,854
9. Felonies not given,	133	455
	<u>8,931</u>	<u>9,040</u>

FOR MINOR OFFENCES.

	1879 to 1883.	1884 to 1888.
10. Assault,	6,999	8,143
11. Gambling,	4,207	3,838
12. Miscellaneous,	12,112	19,858
13. Drunkenness,	1,348	1,358
14. Nuisances,	1,635	2,689
15. No Pass or Light,	3,727	4,079
	<u>30,028</u>	<u>39,965</u>

7.—NUMBER OF PERSONS CONVICTED AND DISCHARGED.

FOR SERIOUS OFFENCES.

Convicted.		Discharged.		Convicted.		Discharged.	
In 1879,	1,381	485	In 1884,	1,297	560		
„ 1880,	1,208	430	„ 1885,	1,298	561		
„ 1881,	1,390	406	„ 1886,	1,389	472		
„ 1882,	1,405	561	„ 1887,	1,234	565		
„ 1883,	1,178	485	„ 1888,	1,116	556		
	<u>6,562</u>	<u>2,367</u>		<u>6,334</u>	<u>2,714</u>		

FOR MINOR OFFENCES.

Convicted.		Discharged.		Convicted.		Discharged.	
In 1879,	3,350	898	In 1884,	4,743	1,102		
„ 1880,	3,548	875	„ 1885,	3,707	757		
„ 1881,	4,459	702	„ 1886,	6,457	672		
„ 1882,	3,602	846	„ 1887,	6,310	1,214		
„ 1883,	4,014	1,024	„ 1888,	5,772	1,105		
	<u>18,973</u>	<u>4,345</u>		<u>26,989</u>	<u>4,850</u>		

Altogether excepting Nos. 13, 14 and 15.

Convicted.		Discharged.		Convicted.		Discharged.	
In 1879,	4,731	1,383	In 1884,	6,040	1,662		
„ 1880,	4,756	1,305	„ 1885,	5,005	1,318		
„ 1881,	5,849	1,108	„ 1886,	7,846	1,144		
„ 1882,	5,007	1,407	„ 1887,	7,544	1,779		
„ 1883,	5,192	1,509	„ 1888,	6,888	1,661		
	<u>25,535</u>	<u>6,712</u>		<u>33,323</u>	<u>7,564</u>		

TABLE E.

RETURN *showing the* STRENGTH, ENLISTMENTS *and* CASUALTIES *in the* Police Force *during* 1888.

	Strength of the Force.	Enlistments.	Deaths.	Resignations through Sickness.	Resignations through expiry of term of service or otherwise.	Dismissals or Desertions.	Total Casualties.
Europeans,	114	26	1	2	17	2	22
Indians,	222	15	4	1	14	5	24
Chinese,	349	59	10	3	32	15	60
TOTAL,.....	685*	100	15	6	63	22	106

* Exclusive of—1 Captain Superintendent.
1 Adjutant.
4 Clerks.
55 Coolies.

Grand Total, 746.

W. M. DEANE,

Captain Superintendent of Police.

Police Department, Hongkong, 22nd January, 1889.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 98.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognise, provisionally and until further notice, MITSUYOSHI SUZUKI, Esquire, as Consul for Japan at this Port.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th March, 1889.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 99.

The following Notice is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th March, 1889.

TREASURY NOTICE.

The attention of owners of tenements, who may from time to time have occasion to apply for refund of rates, is drawn to the following requirements of the law; and they are requested to note that the Government has no power to grant a refund, where these requirements have not been fulfilled.

H. E. WODEHOUSE,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

Treasury, 4th March, 1889.

The Rating Ordinance No. 15 of 1888.

Section 35.—(1.) The owner of any tenement may give notice to the Treasurer that such tenement is vacant not later than the fifteenth day of any month from the first day of which it is intended to claim such refund.

(2.) So long as such tenement shall remain continuously unoccupied, no further notice shall be required, but after the re-occupation of such tenement, notice of any subsequent vacancy shall again be required, as provided in the preceding sub-section.

Section 37.—The petitioner shall not recover if the notice required by Section 35 has not been given, the burden of proof whereof shall rest upon him.