

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 168.

The following Return from the Acting Collector of Stamp Revenue, for the first quarter, 1888 and 1889, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th April, 1889.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the Revenue under the *Stamp Ordinance*, 1886, the *Sheriff's Ordinance*, 1873, the *Chinese Emigration Consolidation Ordinance*, 1874, the *Medical Registration Ordinance*, 1884, and for Telegraph Forms, Land Office Fees, and Fees of the Supreme Court, for the first quarter, 1888 and 1889, respectively.

Schedule Number.	DESCRIPTION.	Revenue in 1888.		Revenue in 1889.		Increase.		Decrease.	
		\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
1	Adjudication Fee, .....	7.00		4.00		...		3.00	
2	Agreement, .....	435.95		630.50		194.55		...	
3	Arbitration Award, .....	2.00		...		...		2.00	
4	Articles of Clerkship, .....	...		...		...		...	
5	Attested Copy, .....	41.00		50.00		9.00		...	
6	Bank Cheques, .....	330.50		500.00		169.50		...	
7	Bank Note Duty, .....	10,498.58		10,414.73		...		83.85	
8	Bill of Exchange and Promissory Note, .....	4,827.59		5,039.63		212.04		...	
9	Bill of Lading, .....	4,894.40		4,763.20		...		131.20	
10	Bottomry or Respondentia Bond, and Average Statement,...	40.40		27.00		...		13.40	
11	Broker's Note, .....	1,068.50		2,735.50		1,667.00		...	
12	Charter Party, .....	1,134.30		471.80		...		662.50	
13	Copy Charter, .....	262.00		116.00		...		146.00	
14	Conveyance or Assignment, .....	10,985.40		4,555.30		...		6,430.10	
15	Copartnership Deed, .....	24.00		46.00		22.00		...	
16	Declaration of Trust, .....	20.00		20.00		...		...	
17	Deed of Gift, .....	125.00		75.00		...		50.00	
18	Duplicate Deeds, .....	110.20		131.00		20.80		...	
19	Emigration Fees, .....	118.00		63.00		...		55.00	
20	Foreign Attachment Bond, .....	3.00		105.00		102.00		...	
21	Miscellaneous Instruments, .....	130.00		100.00		...		30.00	
22	Lease with Fine or Premium, .....	...		...		...		...	
23	Lease on Agreement, .....	...		...		...		...	
24	Lease without Fine or Premium, .....	375.85		413.25		37.40		...	
25	Letter of Hypothecation, .....	65.70		79.70		14.00		...	
26	Mortgage, .....	773.75		1,116.80		343.05		...	
	Do. (ii) Additional Security, .....	...		4.00		4.00		...	
	Do. (iii) Transfer, .....	117.80		64.95		...		52.85	
	Do. (iv) Re-assignment, .....	45.47		60.14		14.67		...	
	Do. (v) on Agreement, .....	1.00		30.00		29.00		...	
27	Notarial Act, .....	25.00		17.00		...		8.00	
28	Note of Protest, .....	5.50		26.75		21.25		...	
29	Policy of Insurance, .....	1,873.40		1,852.80		...		20.60	
30	Power of Attorney, .....	100.00		190.00		90.00		...	
31	Probate, or Letters of Administration, .....	4,647.00		801.00		...		3,846.00	
32	Receipt Stamps, Impressed, .....	67.26		77.25		9.99		...	
32A	Do. Adhesive, .....	1,746.90		1,768.80		21.90		...	
33	Servant's Security Bond, .....	123.90		8.50		...		115.40	
34	Settlement, .....	79.20		50.10		...		29.10	
35	Settlement on Agreement, .....	...		...		...		...	
36	Transfer of Shares, .....	3,699.40		6,419.40		2,720.00		...	
	ADHESIVE STAMPS, exclusive of 3-cent Stamps, Art. 32A, .....	7,414.42		7,499.45		85.03		...	
	TELEGRAPH FORMS, .....	13.75		11.50		...		2.25	
	MEDICAL DECLARATIONS, .....	...		...		...		...	
	Do. CERTIFICATE, .....	...		5.00		5.00		...	
	COURT FEES, .....	...		68.04		68.04		...	
	BILLS OF HEALTH, .....	582.00		375.00		...		207.00	
	TOTAL, .....	\$ 56,815.12		50,787.09		5,860.22		11,888.25	
	DEDUCT INCREASE, .....					\$ 5,860.22			
	TOTAL DECREASE FOR THE 1ST QUARTER, 1889, .....					\$ 6,028.03			

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STAMP OFFICE, HONGKONG, 4th April, 1889.