

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 224.

Tenders will be received at this Office until noon of Monday, the 23rd May, 1898, for the construction of proposed additional quarters at the Government Civil Hospital.

No work will be permitted on Sundays.

For form of tender, specification and further particulars apply at the Public Works Office.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th May, 1898.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 225.

The following is published.

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T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th May, 1898.

Government of China.

NOTICE TO MARINERS,

No. 320.

CHINA SEA.

FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

SUNKEN ROCK IN COW'S HORN PASS, NEAR THE NORTHERN ENTRANCE TO HAITAN STRAIT.

Notice is hereby given of the existence, to the westward of Brown Rock, Tessara Group of Islands, of a rocky patch, about half a cable long in a north and south direction by about three-quarters of a cable wide, and having two pinnacles, about 30 yards apart, near its middle, on which there is a depth of not more than 4 feet at low water of spring tides. To this rocky patch the name "Namoa Rock" has been given.

From the two pinnacles of the patch the highest part of Brown Rock bears E. $\frac{1}{4}$ S., the highest part of Fairway Island S. $\frac{1}{2}$ E., and the Cow's Horn S.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W.

DIRECTIONS.

Vessels coming through Haitan Straits from the southward, if wishing to use the channel to the westward of the Tessara Group, should, after passing Slat Island, steer so as to bring Brown Rock open to the eastward of Fairway Island, N. $\frac{3}{4}$ E. Keep this mark on until Cow's Horn bears W.N.W., which will lead clear of the rocks lying $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. by E. of Cow's Horn Point, and steer so as to pass about 2 cables to the westward of Fairway Island. Then gradually bring the west point of Shingan Island in line with the west end of Fairway Island, S. $\frac{3}{4}$ W., which will lead about 2 cables west of Brown Rock. Keep this mark on, being careful not to open Shingan Island west of Fairway Island when nearing the Namoa Rock, until the southernmost point of Great Dragon Island (the north-easternmost island of the Tessara Group) is open to the northward of Brown Rock, when a N.E. by N. course may be steered.

Brown Rock may be passed safely at a distance of 1 cable to the westward of it.

The s.s. *Namoa* struck on the patch of rocks described in the foregoing on the 3rd October 1897 and became a total wreck. The local fishermen, though they were offered a liberal reward to point out any other sunken dangers in the passage west of Brown Rock, stated that they did not know of any.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,

A. M. BISBEE,
Coast Inspector.

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS,
COAST INSPECTOR'S OFFICE,
SHANGHAI, 28th April, 1898.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 226.

The following Returns of Deaths are published.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 14th May, 1898.

A SUMMARY OF DEATHS AND THEIR CAUSES SHOWN IN THE ATTACHED RETURN AS

DISEASE.	EUROPEAN AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.									
	Civil.—Estimated Population.	Army.—Estimated Strength.	Navy.—Estimated Strength.	VICTORIA DISTRICT.—									
				No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 5.	No. 6.	No. 7.	No. 8.	No. 9.	No. 10.
	8,674			Estimated Population,									
Infantile Convulsive Diseases, { Convulsions,	1	...	...	...	15	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	...	...	...	21	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Throat Affections, { Acute, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Chest Affections, { Acute, .....	...	...	...	...	20	1	1	6	3	3	1	2	1
	1	1	...	2	8	3	6	1	2	4	4	2	1

Bowel Complaints, { Cholera, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	...	...	...	5	2	1	...	...	...	3	...	1

	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...

	1	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	...
	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Fevers, { Puerperal, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

	3	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
	16	1	...	14	55	8	52	49	32	25	34	63	18
Marasms, .....	...	...	...	...	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Causes,	8	1	2	4	12	4	8	7	2	...	10	3	3
TOTAL,	30	5	4	21	140	36	72	63	40	32	53	72	24

SANITARY BOARD ROOM,
HONGKONG, 10th May, 1898.

HAVING BEEN REGISTERED DURING THE MONTH ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1898.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.												TOTAL.	GRAND TOTAL.
DIVISION.				Kaulung District.		Sháukiwán District.		Aberdeen District.		Stanley District.			
Non-Residents.	Unknown.	Peak.	Harbour. Estimated Population.	Estimated Population.		Estimated Population.		Estimated Population.		Estimated Population.			
				Land.	Boat.	Land.	Boat.	Land.	Boat.	Land.	Boat.		
168,707			16,142	28,052	6,000	7,953	3,950	3,355	4,900	1,044	760		
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	} 51
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	
...	} ...
...	
...	...	...	2	2	11	...	...	2	2	...	...	57	} 115
...	...	...	11	3	1	3	2	1	1	...	1	58	
...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	} ...
...	1	...	1	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	19	
...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	} 24
...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
...	} ...
...	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	13	
...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	} ...
...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	} 452
...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	} ...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
...	1	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	} ...
...	11	1	27	7	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	416	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	7
...	2	...	22	5	1	1	1	1	...	...	1	98	98
...	15	1	71	28	18	8	3	6	3	...	2	747	747

C. VIVIAN LADDS,
Assistant Secretary.

RETURN SHOWING THE NUMBER OF DEATHS REGISTERED DURING THE

CAUSES.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.												
				VICTORIA DISTRICT.												
				DIVISION.												
	Civil.	Army.	Navy.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 5.	No. 6.	No. 7.	No. 8.	No. 9.	No. 10.	Unknown.	Peak.	Harbour.
I.—General Diseases.																
<i>A.—Specific Febrile Diseases.</i>																
<i>Zymotic.</i>																
Small-pox, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	5
Measles, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fever, Typhoid, (Enteric)...	3	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fever, Simple Continued, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cholera, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Choleraic Diarrhoea, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Diarrhoea, .....	...	...	...	5	2	1	...	...	...	3	...	1	1	...	1	
Dysentery, .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bubonic Fever, (Plague), ...	16	1	...	14	55	8	52	49	32	25	34	63	18	11	1	27
<i>Malarial.</i>																
Fever, Intermittent, .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Remittent,	1	2	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
" (Undefined), .....	...	1	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Beri-Beri, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
<i>Septic.</i>																
Septicæmia, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>B.—Diseases dependent on Specific External Agents.</i>																
<i>Effects of Injuries.</i>																
Fracture and Dislocation of Neck (Accident), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3
Drowning, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hanging (Execution), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cut-throat (Suicide), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fracture of Skull, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shock from Submersion, ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Neglect after Birth, .....	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2
Concussion of Brain, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
<i>Errors of Diet.</i>																
Alcoholism,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>C.—Developmental Diseases.</i>																
Immaturity at Birth, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Debility, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Old Age,	2	...	...	3	4	1	3	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2
Marasmus, .....	...	...	...	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inanition, .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
<i>D.—Miscellaneous Diseases.</i>																
Scrofula, .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
General Tuberculosis, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
II.—Local Diseases.																
<i>A.—The Nervous System.</i>																
Meningitis, .....	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Apoplexy, .....	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paralysis:—																
<i>a.</i> Hemiplegia, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
<i>b.</i> Paraplegia, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Infantile Convulsions,	1	...	...	15	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trismus, .....	...	...	...	21	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hydrocephalus,	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mania,	1
Senile Dementia,	1
<i>Carried forward,...</i>	26	4	3	19	111	30	61	53	35	25	42	68	22	15	1	49

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CAUSES.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.												
				VICTORIA DISTRICT.												
	DIVISION.															
	Civil.	Army.	Navy.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 5.	No. 6.	No. 7.	No. 8.	No. 9.	No. 10.	Unknown.	Peak.	Harbour.
<i>Brought forward,...</i>	26	4	3	19	111	30	64	53	35	25	42	68	22	15	1	49
Local Diseases,—Contd.																
<i>B.—The Circulatory System.</i>																
Heart Disease,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>C.—The Respiratory System.</i>																
Bronchitis, .....	...	...	...	...	20	1	...	4	2	3	1	2	1	...	...	2
Pneumonia, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Phthisis,	1	1	...	2	8	3	6	1	2	4	4	2	1	...	...	11
Asthma, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>D.—The Digestive System.</i>																
Jaundice, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Hepatic Abscess,	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rupture of Liver, Hæmorrhage from .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Peritonitis, .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
New Growth of Oesophagus, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cancerum Oris,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>E.—The Urinary System.</i>																
Bright's Disease,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
<i>H.—Affections connected with Parturition.</i>																
Child-birth, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
III.—Undefined.																
Dropsy, .....	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Undiagnosed, .....	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Total,.....	30	5	4	21	140	36	72	63	40	32	53	72	24	15	1	71

REMARKS.

The Govt. Civil Hospitals.

Causes.	No.
Small-pox,	1
Typhoid Fever,	5
Cholera,	2
Choleraic Diarrhœa,	1
Plague,	186
Remittent Fever,.....	1
Mania,	1
Dementia,.....	1
Pneumonia,	1
Peritonitis,	2
Cancerum Oris,	1
Bright's Disease,.....	2
Total ,.....	204

The Tung Wa Hospital.

Causes.	No.
Diarrhœa,	5
Plague,	10
Dysentery,	2
Remittent Fever,	4
Beri-beri,	2
Septicæmia,	1
Fracture of Skull,	1
Concussion of Brain,.....	1
Debility,.....	2
Hemiplegia,	2
Heart Disease,	1
Bronchitis,	2
<i>Brought forward,.....</i>	<i>33</i>
Pneumonia,	3
Phthisis,.....	22
New Growth of Oesophagus,	1
Total ,.....	59
<i>Carried forward,.....</i>	<i>33</i>

MONTH ENDED THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 1898, AND THEIR CAUSES,—Continued.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.								TOTAL AT THE DIFFERENT AGE PERIODS.														GRAND TOTAL.				
KAULUNG DISTRICT.		SHAUKI-WAN DISTRICT.		ABERDEEN DISTRICT.		STANLEY DISTRICT.		Under 1 Month.		1 month and under 12 months.		1 year and under 5 years.		5 years and under 15 years.		15 years and under 25 years.		25 years and under 45 years.		45 years and under 60 years.			60 years and over.		Age Unknown.	
Land Population.	Boat Population.	Land Population.	Boat Population.	Land Population.	Boat Population.	Land Population.	Boat Population.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.		Non-Chinese.	Chinese.	Non-Chinese.	Chinese.
22	6	4	...	2	...	...	1	...	43	1	27	1	42	4	95	7	110	14	140	1	67	5	43	...	2	602
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2
2	11	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	13	...	13	...	19	...	...	53
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	4
3	1	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	1	3	1	22	...	15	...	9	...	...	54
...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	11
28	18	8	3	6	3	...	2	...	43	1	33	1	46	4	102	8	120	17	186	3	98	5	77	...	3	747

REMARKS.

The Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals.

Causes.	No.
Remittent Fever,	1

The Italian Convent.

Causes.	No.
Diarrhœa,	3
Remittent Fever,	1
Fever,	1
Marasmus,	3
Serofula,	1
Convulsions,	4
Trismus,	10
Bronchitis,	1
Phthisis,	2
Dropsy,	1

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The Asile de la Ste. Enfançe.

Causes.	No.
Diarrhœa,	3
Fever,	2
Marasmus,	4
Meningitis,	1
Convulsions,	12
Trismus,	21
Heart Disease,	1
Bronchitis,	1

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A. W. BREWIN,
Acting Registrar General.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DEATH-RATE IN THE DIFFERENT REGISTRATION DISTRICTS DURING THE MONTH ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1898.

British and Foreign Community.—Civil Population,.....		41.5	—per 1,000 per annum.
Chinese Community.—Victoria	District—Land Population,	40.5	} per 1,000 per annum.
	Boat	52.8	
" Kaulung	Land	12.0	} " "
	Boat	36.0	
" Sháukiwán	Land	12.1	} " "
	Boat	9.1	
" Aberdeen	Land	21.5	} " "
	Boat	7.3	
" Stanley	Land	Nil.	} " "
	Boat	31.6	
" The whole Colony,	Land	35.1	} " "
	Boat	36.7	
"	Land and Boat Population,	35.3	" "
"	{ British, Foreign & Chinese Community, excluding Army and Navy,	35.5	" "

C. VIVIAN LADDS,
Assistant Secretary.

SANITARY BOARD ROOM,
HONGKONG, 10th May, 1898.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DEATHS RECORDED UNDER THE DIFFERENT GROUPS OF DISEASES FOR EACH MONTH OF THE CURRENT YEAR.										DEATH-RATE RECORDED PER 1,000 PER ANNUM.		
1898.	CONVULSIVE DISEASES.		Throat Affections.	Chest Affections.	Bowel Complaints.	Fevers.	Other Causes.	TOTAL.	British and Foreign Community. Civil Population.	CHINESE COMMUNITY.		
	Under one Month.	Over one Month.								POPULATION.		
									Land.	Boat.	Land & Boat.	
Month of January,	31	20	1	140	29	84	119	424	23.6	20.6	17.4	20.1
" February,.....	29	21	...	144	29	131	113	467	33.3	21.5	25.3	22.0
" March,.....	38	21	1	145	23	162	127	517	24.9	23.1	31.0	24.9
" April,.....	32	19	...	115	24	452	105	747	41.5	35.1	36.7	35.3

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HONGKONG, 10th May, 1898.