

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.— No. 296.

The following Report of the Acting Registrar General for 1898 is published.

By Command,

J. G. T. BUCKLE,
for the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th May, 1899.

REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
HONGKONG, 14th April, 1899.

SIR,—I have the honour to make the following Report on the work of this Department for the year 1898.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The revenue collected during the year amounted to \$127,610.73 as against \$113,759.66 collected in 1897. Apart from the item *Certificates of Identity issued to Chinese* in which there is an increase of \$4,793, substantial increases are to be noted under the headings: *Hawkers, Boats, and Markets*. The increase of \$4,202.93 in the Market Revenue comes principally from the Central, the Western, and the Saiyingpun Markets. That in the Central is partly due to an increase which I effected in August in the rents of 56 of the stalls, mostly fish and vegetable stalls, after satisfying myself that there was no injustice to the tenants in raising the rents. The total monthly increase was \$192.25—an average increase of 70 per cent. for each stall. In the Western Market the increase is due in a large measure to the inclusion in the Market of the basements of four houses in Queen's Road. These basements, situated in a very favourable position, close to the entrance, are now leased by the Government and have been sub-let for \$234 a month. The increase of 16 per cent. in the revenue from *Hawkers' Licences* is probably to be attributed to the lenient way in which the Police enforce the law against depositing wares on the roads. The increase in the revenue from *Boat Licences* is due to an increase in the number of cargo-boats and lighters. The fee for *Certificates of Identity to Chinese* desirous of entering the United States was raised in April from \$25 to \$50. I anticipate a decrease in the revenue from this source next year, as according to instructions issued in July by the Government of the United States, several classes of persons, who until then had been permitted to enter, are now excluded.

The expenditure during the year was \$13,128 as compared with \$13,488.95 in 1897.

PO LEUNG KUK INCORPORATION ORDINANCE.

(No. 18 of 1893.)

WOMEN AND GIRLS PROTECTION ORDINANCE.

(No. 9 of 1897.)

The report of the Po Leung Kuk Society for the year 1898 has been already forwarded to you. The expenditure for the year was a little over \$5,000, whilst the revenue from subscriptions and from interest only amounted to something over \$2,400. The financial position of the Society occupied the attention of the Permanent Board at more than one meeting, and it was finally resolved to ask for subscriptions from the guilds which subscribe to the Tung Wá Hospital. The guilds have readily agreed to subscribe, but their annual subscriptions will not exceed \$2,000 and there is therefore at the lowest computation a gap of \$400 to be filled up each year. In the meantime the Society can draw upon the balance remaining from the \$30,000 originally subscribed. In July the Society appealed to the Government for an annual grant of \$1,000, but their application was refused.

In June the Society received through the Consul for Japan a silver cup presented by the Bureau for Decoration and Merit in recognition of the protection afforded by the Society to Japanese women who had been fraudulently brought to Hongkong.

The number of women and girls detained under Part II. of Ordinance No. 9 of 1897 was 225. The average number detained each year from 1891 to 1894, inclusive, is 247, and during the succeeding four years, 229. Table IIA shews what action was taken in each case, whilst Table IIB gives particulars as to girls who have been handed back to their guardians under security.

The number of girls reported to the Po Leung Kuk as being missing in Hongkong was 48. Of these only 15 are reported to have been found. The rest, I have little doubt, were kidnapped and sold into brothel slavery.

The number of warrants issued under section 30 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1897 to search "sly brothels" was 671, and 17 girls were rescued.

EMIGRATION.

The number of female passengers and boys examined at the Emigration Office and allowed to proceed to their destination was 8,497 as compared with 8,501 in 1897. The number of women detained for enquiries was 67; and of these, 64 were found to have been persuaded to go abroad under false pretences.

CERTIFICATES OF IDENTITY ISSUED TO CHINESE PROCEEDING TO THE UNITED STATES.

The issue of these certificates has entailed a great deal of work on this department. The prospect of going to the United States was so inviting that people were willing to pay large sums to get there. Frauds of all kinds were attempted and a syndicate was formed which guaranteed to pass applicants through safely on payment of \$400. Independent brokers made as much as \$100 on each certificate, and sureties received thirty or forty dollars.

On taking over the work of Registrar General, I found that applicants were only required to shew that they were "other than labourers." I thought that more was necessary and required that they should also prove that they were what they alleged themselves to be. It quickly followed that applicants, who had until then been posing as merchants, now appeared as accountants. When that device failed, they sank to the position of shroffs, and when this proved untenable, they called themselves salesmen or shop-assistants. It has now been laid down that only those who belong to the specifically named exempt classes, viz.:—officials, teachers, students, merchants, or travellers for curiosity or pleasure, can claim a right of entry. This has relieved this office of a great deal of work and the only difficulty remaining is the interpretation of the terms.

In order that the Registrar General may have an opportunity of testing the truth of their statements, applicants have to reside six months in the Colony before their applications will be entertained.

A bond for \$500 is still demanded, but is of no practical use, as the Registrar General has never received the authoritative information necessary to enable him to enforce it, although it is known that several persons in possession of certificates issued by the Registrar General have been refused admission.

506 certificates were issued during the year as against 705 in 1897. The number issued in the first quarter was 246, in the second, 103, in the third, 120, and in the last, 37.

POPULATION.

The following is the estimate of the population of the Colony on the 30th June, 1898:—

<i>British and Foreign Community.</i>	<i>Chinese.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
15,190	239,210	254,400

MARRIAGES.

(Ordinance No. 14 of 1875.)

The number of Marriages solemnized during the year was 86 as compared with 93 in 1897 and 71 in 1896.

One Civil Marriage celebrated by the Registrar is worthy of notice. Both parties were non-Christian Chinese. The husband had been naturalized as a British subject in one of the Australian Colonies, and the marriage was celebrated to enable his wife to accompany him on his return there.

The number of marriages between Chinese in Victoria on the occasion of which permits to fire crackers were issued, was 265 as compared with 251 in 1897, and 207 in 1896.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

(Ordinance No. 16 of 1896.)

Table IV gives the number of Births and Deaths registered during the year.

The death-rates at various ages and the causes of death will be found in Tables IV B. and IV C.

The Births among the British and Foreign Community were exactly the same in number as in 1897, viz., 243, though the same proportion as regards the sexes was not maintained, the number of boys born being ten more than in 1897.

The Births registered as having occurred in the Chinese Community were 963 as against 1,125 in 1897, and 978 in 1896.

There were 21 prosecutions under the Ordinance in 1898, under the following headings:—

Unlawful removal of dead bodies, 19 cases.

Death, failing to report, 2 „

The number of Deaths in the British and Foreign Community was 291 as compared with 204 in 1897. Of these 49 died from Plague. The number of deaths among the Chinese was 5,383 as compared with 4,484 in 1897. 1,120 died from Plague. 255 of the deaths among the British and Foreign Community and 1,753 among the Chinese were certified to by a registered Medical Practitioner or were the subject of a Coroner's Enquiry. The following table shows the number of deaths and the death-rate per 1,000 during the last eight years:—

	<i>Estimated Population.</i>							
	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898
British and Foreign, .	10,494	10,590	10,686	10,782	10,828	12,709	13,700	15,190
Chinese,	214,320	221,072	228,038	235,224	237,670	226,710	235,010	239,210
Total,	224,814	231,662	238,724	246,006	248,498	239,419	248,710	254,400
	<i>Deaths.</i>							
	5,374	4,906	5,442	7,407	5,400	5,860	4,688	5,674
	<i>Death-rate per 1,000.</i>							
British and Foreign, ...	18.20	17.37	17.97	23.28	17.64	19.91	14.89	19.15
Chinese,	24.18	21.30	22.93	30.42	21.92	24.75	19.08	22.50
Total,	23.90	21.18	22.71	30.11	21.73	24.48	18.85	22.30

Five hundred and twenty-two Removal Certificates were granted for the removal of dead bodies from the Colony.

EXHUMATIONS.

Ninety-seven permits were issued to exhume human remains for removal to China or for re-burial in the Colony.

HOSPITAL DEATHS.

Table IV *D* contains a return of the number of deaths in hospital. They amounted to 1,725 or 30.40 per cent. of the total number of deaths registered during the year.

Table IV *E* gives particulars regarding the Tung Wa Hospital. The number of patients under treatment during the year was 3,019 as compared with 2,896 in the year 1897. Of these, 2,029 were discharged and 842 died. The percentage of deaths to admissions during the year was 35.05. In 1897 the percentage was 35.24, and in 1896, 38.80. The death-rate is thus steadily decreasing.

The number of out-patients during the year was :—

Males,	62,576
Females,	28,304
Total,.....	<u>90,880</u>

A slight alteration has been made in the form of this return (Table IV *E*); the columns formerly reserved for Private Paying Patients and which for four years have stood blank are struck out, whilst room is found for the number of vaccinations performed during the year, the number of bodies buried, and the number of destitutes temporarily housed and fed. The provision of free burial and the restoration of destitutes to their homes are regarded as two of the most important functions of an institution like the Tung Wa Hospital.

REGISTRATION OF BOOKS.

(Ordinance No. 10 of 1888.)

Eighty books were registered during the year. Of these, 33 were published at *Nazareth* and five, written in Chinese, dealt with modern subjects.

The large number of text books of English and English-Chinese Dictionaries published are evidence of the increased attention now being paid by Chinese to the study of the English language.

The number of books published is increasing year by year. In 1897 it was 66, and in 1896, 34. The usual quarterly returns were published in the *Gazette*.

REGISTRATION OF HOUSEHOLDERS.

(Ordinance No. 13 of 1888 Chap. III.)

Table V gives particulars regarding the issue of householders' certificates.

PERMITS.

(Ordinance No. 3 of 1888 Chap. V.)

The nature and number of permits issued during the year were as follows :—

To fire crackers,	420
To hold processions,	11
To perform theatricals,	29
To hold religious ceremonies,	14
Total,.....	<u>474</u>

Several of the processions were held to avert the plague.

SURETIES REFERRED FOR REPORT.

The number of sureties referred to this Department for report during the year amounted to 829 and were from the following Departments :—

Botanical and Afforestation Department,	5
Harbour Department,	561
Magistracy,	50
Police Department,	213
Total,.....	<u>829</u>

DISTRICT WATCHMEN.

A full statement of the revenue and expenditure for the year is given in Table VIA, and the state of the force on 31st December, and other particulars will be found in Table VIB.

The District Watchmen were instrumental in bringing 455 cases before the Police Magistrate, and the Committee is indebted to the Chinese Newspapers, the *Tsun Wan Yat Pó* and the *Wai San Yat Pó*, for continuing to publish weekly lists of these cases for the information of subscribers.

It was proposed in February, 1897, to make use of the accumulated balances to the credit of the Fund to build a central watch-house in which to accommodate the watchmen of Districts III, IV, V, and VI. Should the plan be carried out the discipline of the Force would be much improved and a saving effected. The annual rent paid for the premises now rented as watch-houses in the above-named districts is \$1,340. The Government was asked to grant a piece of land in the Taipingshan Resumption area, but the matter is still under consideration.

The contributions to the Fund for the year were \$8,357.76 as compared with \$7,853.75 for the preceding year. The actual expenditure was \$11,033.25 as compared with \$9,528.78 in 1897. The balance to the credit of the Fund is \$8,745.06. In April an allowance of \$2.00 a month was made to each watchman on account of the scarcity, almost approaching to famine, which prevailed in the spring and summer. This allowance is still continued as the Committee thinks that the increased cost of living in Hongkong necessitates an increase of pay. Comparing prices with those of two years ago firewood has risen about 35 per cent.; oil 30, pork 40, fish 60 and vegetables 100; whilst the rents of Chinese tenement houses in Victoria have risen at least 20 per cent. The increased cost of living is also, I believe, the reason for the number of resignations in the Force in the years 1897 and 1898. These amounted to 27, whilst in the three preceding years there were only 8.

Canton subsidiary coinage now stands at a discount of a little over 2 per cent., and causes a loss on exchange of \$74.81. Only 7 per cent. of the subscriptions paid in subsidiary coins is paid in Hongkong coins. This probably represents the actual ratio of the two classes of coin in circulation. There is no reason to believe that Canton coins are "forced" on the collector. The sum paid in each instance is small and the shopman pays the first coins that come to his hand in the till.

CHINESE RECREATION GROUND.

A statement of revenue and expenditure is given in Table VII. The total expenditure for the year was \$721.30, whilst the revenue obtained from the rent of the shops, letter-writers' tables, &c., was \$1,347.31. There is a balance of \$2,437.45 to the credit of the Fund.

CHARITABLE FUNDS.

Tables VIII and IX give statements of account of the two Funds administered by this Office.

TUNG WA HOSPITAL.

During the months of May and June the hospital maintained a branch hospital for the treatment of plague cases at Kennedy Town. The extra expenditure was defrayed out of the balance remaining from a Special Fund left at the disposal of the Directors.

The mortuary at Kennedy Town has been condemned as a nuisance by the Sanitary Board, owing to its proximity to the Cattle Depôt and to the quarters of the Officer in charge. A site for a new mortuary has been selected.

The number of patients admitted to the hospital during the year was 2,898. The highest number admitted in any one of the seven preceding years was 2,823, whilst the average number was 2,509. There are no longer private paying patients, as the ward in which they were accommodated was condemned in 1894. During the last six years the number of out-patients decreased from 135,608 in 1893 to 90,880 in 1898. The Directors attribute the decrease to the following causes—(1) the fear people have, when plague is epidemic, of having their illness diagnosed as plague, and of being sent to the Plague Hospital, (2) the reform of certain abuses in connection with the dispensing of plasters, &c. in 1895, and (3) the displacement of population caused by the resumption of Taipingshan.

GENERAL.

The question of the reconstruction of the Western Market is under the consideration of the Government. In November separate petitions were presented by the pork-sellers, the fishmongers, and the poultry-dealers asking that the Market should be rebuilt on the present site, or, if it must be rebuilt elsewhere, then on a site nearer the Praya. The petitions also contained a suggestion as to the arrangement of the shops.

In March a petition in Chinese with 68 signatures and 207 chops affixed was presented to the Government, asking for the grant of a site on which to erect a small-pox hospital for Chinese and requesting that the disinfection of premises in which cases of small-pox occur might be carried out by a Society which the petitioners proposed to form for that purpose and for the management of the hospital. Petitioners understood that the hospital would have to be conducted in such a way as to ensure isolation of the patients and they recognised the improbability of the Government consenting to a less thorough disinfection of infected premises, but asked that the actual work of disinfection and cleansing might be done by their own employes, under the same supervision as is now exercised. The application was not granted.

The following are the Ordinances passed in 1898 which more particularly affect the Chinese and this Office:—

- No. 1 of 1898.—Prepared Opium (Divans) Amendment.
 „ 13 of 1898.—Chinese Certificates Fees.
 „ 20 of 1898.—Births and Deaths Registration (Amendment).
 „ 24 of 1898.—Liquor Licences.
 „ 28 of 1898.—Chinese Manila Fees.

Ordinances Nos. 20 and 28 authorise the imposition of fees for Certificates of Identity issued to Chinese proceeding to the United States or to Manila. The fee in the latter case is \$25.00, but no Certificates have been issued owing, no doubt, to the unsettled state of affairs in the Philippines. Nine Ordinances were passed naturalizing Chinese as British subjects.

STAFF.

The Honourable J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, C.M.G., went on leave on the 19th March. I acted as Registrar General from that date until the 1st September, when Mr. J. DYER BALL took over the duties of the post.

Mr. H. H. GOMPERTZ, Assistant Registrar General, left for England on leave on the 4th March.

The appointment of Mr. WODEHOUSE to the post of First Clerk has been confirmed.

Mr. TSOI YEUK-SHAN was on special duty during the months of August and September, and his place was filled by Mr. TONG Tsz-SAU.

Mr. AU FUNG-CHI was on special duty during the month of August, and his duties were performed by Mr. LI CHAK-MAN.

I have the honour to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient Servant,

A. W. BREWIN,
Acting Registrar General.

The Honourable J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, C.M.G.,
Colonial Secretary,
 &c., &c., &c.

Table I.

(A.)—Comparative Statement of the Revenue received in the Registrar General's Department, during the Years 1897 and 1898, respectively.

ORDINANCES UNDER WHICH RECEIVED.	DESCRIPTION.	REVENUE IN 1897.		REVENUE IN 1898.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
		\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
Ordinance 21 of 1887,.....	Hawkers,	6,786.50		7,906.50		1,120.00		...	...
	Chinese Undertakers,	200.00		170.00		...		30.00	
Regulations under Ordinance No. 26 of 1891,	Rowing Boats, Water Boats, Cinder, &c. Boats, and Fish-drying Hulks,	6,555.35		7,052.30		496.95		...	...
	Cargo Boats, Lighters, and other Boats,	11,864.00		14,004.50		2,140.50		...	...
Ordinance No. 13 of 1888,	Householders,	258.00		393.00		135.00		...	...
	Re-registration,	970.00		1,077.00		107.00		...	...
	Removals,	14.00		9.75		...		4.25	
Ordinance No. 9 of 1867,.....	Extracts,	31.75		39.25		7.50		...	...
	Bonds, .....	...		...		...		...	...
Ordinance No. 21 of 1887,.....	Money Changers,	550.00		530.00		...		20.00	
Ordinance No. 16 of 1896,.....	Births and Deaths,	247.58		385.50		137.92		...	...
Ordinance No. 14 of 1875,.....	Marriages,	482.00		500.00		18.00		...	...
Ordinance No. 17 of 1887,.....	Markets,.....	70,565.15		74,768.08		4,202.93		...	...
Ordinance No. 8 of 1895,.....	Arms Licences,	430.00		420.00		...		10.00	
	Laundries,	683.84		862.90		179.06		...	...
Chinese <i>Gazette</i> ,	Licences to sell fruit,	2.00		297.00		295.00		...	...
	Certificates to Chinese entering the U.S.A.,.....	25.00		28.00		3.00		...	...
Forfeiture of Bonds,.....	Forfeiture of Bonds,.....	13,807.00		18,600.00		4,793.00		...	...
	Miscellaneous Receipts,	200.00		500.00		300.00		...	...
Various sums refunded,	Miscellaneous Receipts,	4.65		...		...		4.65	
	Various sums refunded,	82.84		66.95		...		15.89	
TOTAL,.....		113,759.66		127,610.73		13,935.86		84.79	
DEDUCT DECREASE,						\$	84.79		
TOTAL INCREASE IN THE YEAR 1898,						\$	13,851.07		

(B.)—Fees from Boats.

Cargo boats,.....	\$ 11,209.50
Lighters,	1,177.50
Other boats,.....	1,617.50
Rowing boats,	5,779.80
Water boats,	488.50
Fish drying hulks,	497.50
Cinder boats, bumboats, and hawker boats,	286.50
TOTAL,.....	\$ 21,056.80

(C.)—Revenue from the Markets and the number of Shops and Stalls Occupied and Unoccupied at the end of 1898.

<i>Markets.</i>	<i>Revenue.</i>	<i>Shops and Stalls.</i>	
		<i>Occupied.</i>	<i>Unoccupied.</i>
Central,	\$ 38,500.97	273	15
Western,	21,895.80	157	...
Saiyingpun,	7,235.19	69	...
Wanchai,	2,161.20	50	1
Sukunpo,	613.20	31	10
Shankiwan,	669.45	34	1
Shektongsui,	166.50	12	18
Yaumati, ...	2,259.69	76	...
Hunghom,	1,266.08	54	2
TOTAL,.....	\$ 74,768.08	756	47

Table II.—(A.)

Return showing how women and girls who came under the protection of the Registrar General were provided for during the year 1898.

Permitted to leave,	12
Restored direct to parents or relatives,	50
Restored to husband,	16
Restored to Guardians,	7
Restored to native place,	1
Restored to native place or otherwise disposed of through charitable institutions in China,	92
Sent to Italian Convent,	2
Sent to Miss JOHNSTONE's school,	1
Sent to Victoria Home,	2
Sent home through H.M.'s Consul at Swatow,	1
Sent to Mrs. E. T. SNUGGS' school,	3
Adopted,	3
Married,	30
No order made,	5
TOTAL,.....	225

Table II.—(B.)

Return giving particulars regarding girls who are required to report themselves to the Registrar General.

(1.) Required to report themselves quarterly,	17
Required to report themselves less than 4 times a year,	3
Required to report themselves when required,	5
Required to report themselves when married,	4
Married during the year,	4
Abandoned,	3
Exempted,	1
Dead,	2
TOTAL,.....	39

(1.) 2 added to the list this year.

Table II.—(C.)

Return showing the Number of Persons reported to the Pó Léung Kuk as missing and of those who have been reported as recovered, for the year 1898.

DISAPPEARED IN HONGKONG.

Men,	59	Women,	44
Boys,	40	Girls,	48
	<u>99</u>		<u>92</u>

RECOVERED.

Men,	21	Women,	7
Boys,	20	Girls,	15
	<u>41</u>		<u>22</u>

DISAPPEARED IN CHINA.

Men,	126	Women,	67
Boys,	28	Girls,	19
	<u>154</u>		<u>86</u>

RECOVERED.

Men,	38	Women,	6
Boys,	3	Girls,	1
	<u>41</u>		<u>7</u>

DISAPPEARED IN MACAO.

Men,	2	Women, .....	...
Boys, .....	...	Girls,	3
	<u>2</u>		<u>3</u>

RECOVERED.

Man, .....	...	Girl,	1
			<u>1</u>

Table III.

Return showing the number of Female Passengers and Boys examined and passed at the Emigration Office under "The Chinese Emigration Consolidation Ordinance, 1889," during the year 1898.

An Officer from the Registrar General's Office was present at each examination.

Countries.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Honolulu,	207	80	73	360
Mauritius,	4	1	...	5
San Francisco, U.S.A.,	45	88	11	144
Straits Settlements,	6,102	1,185	701	7,988
Total,	6,358	1,354	785	8,497

Table IV. (A.)
RETURNS OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS FOR THE YEAR 1898.

DISTRICTS.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.						CHINESE.						GRAND TOTAL.					
	BIRTHS.			DEATHS.			BIRTHS.		DEATHS.			BIRTHS.	DEATHS.					
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Sex. Unknown.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Males.			Females.	Sex. Unknown.	Total.		
												ESTIMATED POPULATION.						Annual Birth-Rate per 1,000.	Annual Death-Rate per 1,000.
Victoria,	118	88	206	196	83	...	279	473	305	778	2,437	1,736	22	4,195	984	4,474		
Kaulung,	21	14	35	6	6	...	12	39	16	55	435	304	2	741	90	753		
Shaukiwán,	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	41	21	62	153	89	1	243	64	243		
Aberdeen, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	24	53	93	76	...	169	53	169		
Stanley, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	5	15	21	14	...	35	15	35		
TOTAL,.....	140	103	243	202	89	...	291	592	371	963	3,139	2,219	25	5,383	1,206	5,674		
DEATHS IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.													ESTIMATED POPULATION.		Annual Birth-Rate per 1,000.		Annual Death-Rate per 1,000.	
<i>Of the Deaths in Victoria, there were in the—</i>													British and Foreign Community,		15.9		19.15	
Tung Wa Hospital,.....													Chinese,		4		22.5	
Italian Convent,													Whole Population,.....		4.7		22.3	
Asile de la Ste. Enfance,....																		
TOTAL,.....													1,295		955		2,250	
DEATHS: BRITISH & FOREIGN COMMUNITY.																		
Europeans, exclusive of Portuguese,....													147					
Portuguese,													58					
Indians, &c.,													86					
TOTAL,.....													291					

Table IV. (B.)

Returns showing Death-Rates in Different Groups of Ages for the year 1898.

Ages.	British and Foreign.		Chinese.	
	Deaths.	Per cent. of whole.	Deaths.	Per cent. of whole.
Under 1 month,	11	3.78	560	10.40
1 month and under 12 months,	23	7.90	452	8.40
1 year and under 5 years,.....	16	5.50	552	10.25
5 years and under 15 years,.....	18	6.18	484	8.99
15 years and under 25 years,	51	17.53	567	11.09
25 years and under 45 years,	120	41.24	1,359	25.25
45 years and under 60 years,	29	9.97	731	13.58
60 years and over,.....	23	7.90	627	11.65
Age unknown, .....	.....	.....	21	0.39
Total,.....	291	100.00	5,383	100.00

Table IV. (D.)

Hospital Deaths.

	British and Foreign.	Chinese.	Total.
Government Civil Hospitals,	103	366	469
Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals,.....	1	32	33
Royal Naval Hospital,	11	...	11
Military Hospital,.....	20	...	20
Peak Hospital,	5	...	5
Tung Wa Hospital,	1	1,186	1,187
Total,.....	141	1,584	1,725

Table IV. (E.)

Return of the Number of Patients under Treatment and other Statistics concerning the Tung Wa Hospital during the year ended 31st December, 1898.

Patients.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st Dec., 1897.	Admitted.	Total under treatment.	Discharged.	Deaths.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st Dec., 1898.	Out-Patients.	Vaccinations.	Destitute, temporarily housed and fed.	Dead Bodies brought to Hospital Mortuary for burial.
Male,	111	2,477	2,588	1,789	668	131	62,576	731	853	257
Female,	10	421	431	240	174	17	28,304	857	...	87
Total,.....	121	2,898	3,019	2,029	842	148	90,880	1,588	853	344

Table V.

Returns relating to the Registration of Householders under Ordinance 13 of 1888, during the year 1898.

	District Nos.										Total.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
First Registration of Householders,	2	17	6	16	3	48	12	...	4	23	131
Re-registration of Householders,	1	31	296	128	104	297	107	98	2	13	1,077
Extract from Householders' Register, ..	...	1	37	13	58	37	...	2	...	...	148
Removal of Householders, .....	...	2	9	1	18	5	1	2	1	...	39
Duplicates of Householders' Certificates, ..	...	...	6	1	3	1	...	2	...	...	13

Table IV. (C).—RETURN SHEWING THE NUMBER AND CAUSES OF DEATHS REGISTERED

CLASSIFICATION OF CAUSES OF DEATH. (IN GROUPS.)	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.												
	Civil.	Army.	Navy.	VICTORIA.												
				HEALTH DISTRICT.												
				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.																
Group A,.....	90	22	5	92	389	77	164	157	100	108	138	228	115	46	4	156
„ B,.....	27	1	3	5	5	6	18	6	5	5	20	12	5	...	...	51
„ C,.....	13	...	...	24	94	39	19	10	6	9	19	18	11	2	...	21
„ D,.....	10	1	1	...	1	5	6	4	2	1	5	7	2	2	...	6
II.—Local Diseases.																
A.—The Nervous System,.....	23	3	...	4	448	195	11	11	9	6	23	13	5	6	...	4
B.—The Circulatory System,.....	13	...	...	3	11	3	7	12	14	8	9	8	3	5	...	12
C.—The Respiratory System,.....	35	3	1	37	143	80	64	91	47	59	56	113	43	15	...	119
D.—The Digestive System,.....	19	1	...	1	4	...	5	4	...	2	3	2	3	1	...	1
E.—The Urinary System,.....	9	...	1	1	4	3	3	1	2	2	4	4	2	2	...	5
F.—The Generative System,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
G.—Affections connected with Pregnancy,.....	1	...	...	1	3	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
H.—Affections connected with Parturition,.....	1	...	...	...	3	...	5	4	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	5
I.—The Skin,.....	...	...	...	1	34	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
J.—Diseases of Organs of Locomotion,.....	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2
III.—Undefined & Undiagnosed,.....	6	1	...	20	18	15	2	2	3	4	5	5	5	...	...	58
TOTAL, ALL CAUSES,.....	248	32	11	189	1,159	423	307	303	190	208	283	413	196	79	4	441
I.—General Diseases.																
A.—Specific Febrile Diseases.																
(1)—Zymotic.																
Small-pox,.....	11	...	1	6	9	8	9	10	7	8	3	4	9	3	...	15
Measles,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping Cough,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...
Typhoid Fever (Enteric),.....	10	2	2	1	2	...	1	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1
Simple Continued Fever,.....	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cholera,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Choleraic Diarrhoea,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Diarrhoea,.....	2	2	...	10	82	18	8	14	10	11	23	36	11	7	...	17
Dysentery,.....	6	1	1	1	7	1	3	2	1	2	4	12	3	3	...	4
Bubonic Fever (Plague),.....	46	3	...	53	155	27	110	100	60	68	76	135	68	27	3	66
	79	8	4	71	255	54	131	128	79	89	107	190	92	40	3	106
(2)—Malarial.																
Fever, Intermittent,.....	...	1	...	5	17	1	5	6	4	3	1	6	2	...	...	3
„ Remittent,.....	5	13	1	13	29	6	19	12	8	6	12	19	11	2	1	11
„ (Undefined),.....	4	...	...	...	74	13	1	2	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...
Beri-Beri,.....	...	...	...	3	10	2	6	8	6	4	15	13	4	3	...	32
	9	14	1	21	130	22	31	28	18	14	28	38	19	5	1	46
(3)—Septic.																
Pyæmia,.....	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Septicæmia,.....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	1	...	1	...	...	1
„ Puerperal,.....	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puerperal Fever,.....	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...
	1	...	...	...	2	1	2	1	3	3	2	...	2	...	...	2
(4)—Venereal.																
Syphilis,.....	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	1	...	2
„ Congenital,.....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	2	1	...	2
TOTAL GROUP A,.....	90	22	5	92	389	77	164	157	100	108	138	228	115	46	4	156

DURING THE YEAR ENDED THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1898.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.								TOTAL AT THE DIFFERENT AGE PERIODS.																		GRAND TOTAL.	
KOW-LOON DISTRICT.	SHAUKI-WAN DISTRICT.	ABER-DEEN 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.	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.				
253	93	81	39	40	22	4	1	...	8	4	167	8	237	11	337	30	411	50	686	7	300	7	159	...	2	2,424	
12	6	8	1	1	...	...	...	...	19	...	3	...	15	2	16	5	26	23	78	...	7	...	2	...	...	197
23	16	7	3	15	19	5	2	5	52	3	57	...	64	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	10	5	175	...	...	375
2	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	1	8	2	5	...	4	5	12	2	6	1	5	...	...	60
28	7	6	2	4	1	3	...	2	471	10	101	3	136	1	21	2	2	4	22	1	22	3	11	...	...	812
12	4	6	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	6	4	50	6	49	2	13	...	...	134
120	105	40	21	28	24	11	5	...	2	3	62	3	32	1	52	7	96	16	423	7	308	2	246	...	...	1,260
1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	1	1	2	1	3	5	5	7	15	3	6	1	1	...	...	51
2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	7	1	5	7	8	1	10	1	3	...	...	45
...	3
...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
1	1	3	2	4	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	1	17	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	36
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	7	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	39
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
28	24	12	5	5	...	2	...	1	8	...	25	...	49	...	37	1	18	2	35	2	12	1	11	...	18	220	
482	259	169	74	102	67	26	9	11	560	23	452	16	552	18	484	51	597	120	1,354	29	731	23	627	...	21	5,674	
3	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	2	39	1	21	3	14	6	11	...	1	...	1	...	...	110
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	3	4	1	9	4	...	1	...	...	...	23
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	2	5	...	...	...	15
5	6	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
41	16	17	12	5	...	3	...	7	1	116	1	59	...	12	...	11	1	55	...	47	1	34	...	...	345	
5	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	1	3	...	7	5	23	1	16	...	5	...	...	65	
120	35	11	1	10	...	1	...	...	...	6	4	63	6	228	13	267	20	357	5	142	1	61	...	2	1,175	
174	59	35	18	15	1	4	...	...	7	2	136	8	166	9	269	20	304	41	454	6	207	5	106	...	2	1,742
37	26	18	14	20	19	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	9	...	29	...	22	1	56	...	36	...	33	...	188	
30	7	25	7	4	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	14	2	26	9	39	6	92	...	35	1	17	...	243	
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	24	...	48	...	7	1	6	1	6	1	2	1	2	...	99	
7	1	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	4	...	34	...	64	...	13	...	1	...	...	117	
75	34	45	21	25	21	...	1	...	...	1	28	...	71	2	66	10	101	8	218	1	86	2	53	...	647	
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	3	...	...	...	9	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	10
4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	2	...	6	...	8	...	5	...	...	...	...	24
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	11
253	93	81	39	40	22	4	1	...	8	4	167	8	237	11	337	30	411	50	686	7	300	7	159	...	2	2,424	

RETURN SHEWING THE NUMBER AND CAUSES OF DEATHS REGISTERED

CAUSES.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.												
				VICTORIA.												
	HEALTH DISTRICT.															
	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, (Group A.),...</i>	90	22	5	92	389	77	164	157	100	108	138	228	115	46	4	156
<i>General Diseases,—Continued.</i>																
<i>B.—Diseases dependent on Specific External Agents.</i>																
<i>(1)—Parasites.</i>																
Worms,.....	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
<i>(2)—Poisons.</i>																
Mineral—Arsenic (accidental), .....	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vegetable—Opium (suicide),.....	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
" " (accidental), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	4
" " (no evidence),.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...
" Chloral (accidental),	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1	1	...	...	1	...	2	1	...	2	2	3	...	...	...	4
<i>(3)—Effects of Injuries.</i>																
Burns, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Scalds, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Sun-stroke,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Drowning,	2	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	38
Heat Apoplexy,	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hanging (execution),	1	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" (suicide), .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Cut-throat (suicide), .....	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fracture of Skull,	3	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	2	1	4	1	...	...	...	1
Fractured Pelvis,.....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	4	1	...	...	1
Compound Fracture of Foot, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " of Thigh and of Leg, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fracture and Dislocation of Neck,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
" " of Spine, .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shock following Injuries, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" from Wounds, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
" from Fall, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Splenoctomy,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" Operation,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Electric Shock,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Intra-Cranial Hæmorrhage, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hæmorrhage from Lung (old wound of chest), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Hæmorrhage—Rupture of Arteries of Calf, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Hæmorrhage—Rupture of Liver, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Multiple Injuries, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Injury to Head, .....	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Internal Injuries to Abdomen,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Injuries at Birth,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rupture of Spleen, .....	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1
" of Uterus, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Wounds of Scalp, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gun-shot Wounds of Chest (murder),...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Amputation of Leg,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Gangrene of Leg (traumatic), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Neglect after Birth,.....	...	...	...	2	1	...	4	3	...	1	1	4	...	...	...	3
Exposure,.....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Asphyxia,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C concussion of Brain,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
	16	...	8	5	4	3	16	5	5	3	17	9	4	...	...	47
<i>Carried forward, (General Diseases),...</i>	107	23	8	97	394	83	182	163	105	113	157	240	120	46	4	207

RETURN SHEWING THE NUMBER AND CAUSES OF DEATHS REGISTERED

CAUSES.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.												
				VICTORIA.												
				HEALTH DISTRICT.												
	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, (General Diseases),...</i>	107	23	8	97	394	83	182	163	105	113	157	240	120	46	4	207
General Diseases.—Continued.																
(4)—Errors of Diet.																
Alcoholism,	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
„ Acute,	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Delirium Tremens,	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Total Group B,.....	27	1	3	5	5	6	18	6	5	5	20	12	5	..	..	51
C.—Developmental Diseases.																
Immaturity at Birth,	2	..	..	1	..	..	4	3	..	2	2	2	1	..	..	3
Debility,	2	..	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	1	4	3	3	2	..	2
Old Age,	5	..	..	20	15	4	9	6	5	4	7	8	3	..	..	14
Marasmus and Atrophy,	3	..	..	..	70	34	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..
Inanition,	1	..	..	1	8	1	5	1	1	1	5	3	..	..	..	2
Tabes Mesenterica, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total Group C,.....	13	..	..	24	94	39	19	10	6	9	19	18	11	2	..	21
D.—Miscellaneous Diseases.																
Rheumatism, Acute, .....	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gout,.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Purpura Hæmorrhagica, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Malignant Growth of Orbit, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cancer of Upper Jaw, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
„ of Lower Jaw,.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
„ of Neck, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
„ of Oesophagus, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ of Liver,	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
„ of Stomach,.....	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ of Bladder, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
„ of Rectum, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
„ of Penis, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
„ of Uterus,	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Pelvic Cancer,	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sarcoma of Neck, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Scrofula,	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	..
Tuberculosis, .....	..	..	..	1	1	2	3	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	2
Anæmia,	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Diabetes, .....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lyphadenoma,	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gangrene of Leg,.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Total Group D,.....	10	1	1	..	1	5	6	4	2	1	5	7	2	2	..	6
II.—Local Diseases.																
A.—The Nervous System.																
Meningitis,	3	1	..	..	3	..	..	2	1	..	3	2	..	..	..	..
„ (Tubercular), .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
„ (Traumatic), .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Cerebral Embolism,.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ Tumour, .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Softening of Brain,	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apoplexy,.....	2	..	..	2	2	..	3	1	5	3	3	1	1	3	..	1
Paralysis (Undefined), .....	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	8	1	..	2	7	..	3	3	6	4	8	3	1	4	..	1
<i>Carried forward, (General Diseases),...</i>	140	24	9	121	489	127	207	177	113	123	182	265	133	50	4	234

DURING THE YEAR ENDED THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1898,—Continued.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.								TOTAL AT THE DIFFERENT AGE PERIODS.															GRAND TOTAL.				
KOW-LOON 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.	
265	99	89	40	41	22	4	1	1	27	4	170	8	252	13	353	34	437	64	763	7	307	7	161	...	2	2,610	
...	3	1	4
...	1	2
...	5	5
...	9	1	11
12	6	8	1	1	...	...	...	1	19	...	3	...	15	2	16	5	26	23	78	...	7	...	2	...	...	197
3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	18	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
4	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	2	4	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	8	...	11	...	...	30
13	12	7	3	12	17	5	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	5	164	...	...	...	171
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	3	36	...	49	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	109
1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	11	...	17	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39
2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
23	16	7	3	15	19	5	2	5	52	3	57	...	64	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	10	5	175	...	...	375
...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	3
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	11
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	4	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
2	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	1	8	2	5	...	4	5	12	2	6	1	5	...	...	60
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	7	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	6	1	11	...	8	...	...	...	28
...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	8	...	6	1	...	3	9	1	12	1	8	...	...	...	53
290	116	98	43	58	41	9	3	6	79	8	233	9	324	15	360	55	442	78	777	9	323	13	341	...	2	3,056	

RETURN SHEWING THE NUMBER AND CAUSES OF DEATHS REGISTERED

CAUSES.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.												
				VICTORIA.												
				HEALTH DISTRICT.												
	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, (General Diseases),...</i>	140	24	9	121	489	127	207	177	113	123	182	265	133	50	4	234
<i>Local Diseases,—Continued.</i>																
<i>The Nervous System,—Continued.</i>																
<i>Brought forward,.....</i>	8	1	...	2	7	...	3	3	6	4	8	3	1	4	...	1
Hemiplegia, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	2	...	1	...	2
Paraplegia,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Locomotor Ataxia,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Convulsions,	9	1	...	...	118	59	1	2	1	...	9	3	1	...	...	...
Tetanus,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
" (Traumatic),.....	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	2	...	1	...	...	...
Trismus, .....	...	...	...	1	320	136	4	3	...	1	...	2	3	...	...	...
Hydrocephalus, .....	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Epilepsy,	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mania, .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Melancholia,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Senile Dementia,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Group A,.....	23	3	...	4	448	195	11	11	9	6	23	13	5	6	...	4
<i>B.—The Circulatory System.</i>																
Heart Disease,	9	...	...	2	11	3	7	12	13	8	9	8	3	5	...	10
Aneurysm, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" (Aortic),.....	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pericarditis,	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Syncope, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total Group B,.....	13	...	...	3	11	3	7	12	14	8	9	8	3	5	...	12
<i>C.—The Respiratory System.</i>																
Œdema of Larynx, .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bronchitis,	6	...	...	15	78	3	12	33	16	21	9	43	17	1	...	38
Pneumonia,	4	1	1	2	1	1	8	6	2	5	11	8	6	2	...	4
Broncho-Pneumonia,	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Phthisis,	20	2	...	20	62	75	43	52	28	33	35	60	20	12	...	76
Gangrene of Lung,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pleurisy,	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Empyema,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Asthma, .....	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total Group C,.....	35	3	1	37	143	80	64	91	47	59	56	113	43	15	...	119
<i>D.—The Digestive System.</i>																
Necrosis of Jaw, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Dentition,	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cancerum Oris, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...
Thrush,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gastritis,	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Enteritis,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gastro-Enteritis,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Melæna,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hepatic Abscess,	2	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cirrhosis of Liver,	3	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Acute Yellow Atrophy of Liver,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Colic,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Biliary Colic (Gallstone), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jaundice, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Peritonitis,	5	...	...	...	2	...	1	2	...	1	2	1	...	...	...	...
" (Suppurative), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
" (Tubercular), .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Hernia—Strangulated, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Total Group D,.....	19	1	...	1	4	...	5	4	...	2	3	2	3	1	...	1
<i>Carried forward, (General Diseases),...</i>	140	24	9	121	489	127	207	177	113	123	182	265	133	50	4	234

DURING THE YEAR ENDED THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1898,—Continued.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.												TOTAL AT THE DIFFERENT AGE PERIODS.																GRAND TOTAL.
KOW-LOON 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.			
290	116	98	43	58	41	9	3	6	79	8	235	9	324	15	360	35	442	78	777	9	323	13	341	...	2	3,056		
1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	8	...	6	1	...	3	9	1	12	1	8	...	...	53
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	8	...	1	...	...	11
1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	1	1	1	...	...	6
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
24	5	4	1	4	1	3	...	1	5	6	93	2	127	1	11	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	246
...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	465	...	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	471
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	3
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
28	7	6	2	4	1	3	...	2	471	10	101	3	136	1	21	2	2	4	22	1	22	3	11	...	...	812
12	3	6	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	6	2	46	1	4	48	2	13	...	...	125
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	3
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
12	4	6	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	6	4	50	6	49	2	13	...	...	...	134
...	1	1	
54	73	1	1	16	20	...	...	...	1	2	13	1	11	...	20	...	26	1	83	2	141	...	156	...	...	457
...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	1	3	...	9	2	7	1	20	1	9	...	4	...	...	64
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
66	32	24	14	11	4	11	5	...	1	...	41	...	16	1	23	4	63	12	316	3	153	2	70	...	...	705
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	5	...	16	...	...	23
120	105	40	21	28	24	11	5	...	2	3	62	3	32	1	52	7	96	16	423	7	308	2	246	...	...	1,260
...	1	1	1	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	
...	1	2	1	1	1	1	7	
...	1	1	2	1	1	1	7	
...	1	1	
...	1	1	
...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
...	1	1	
...	1	1	
...	1	1	
...	1	...	2	3	
1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	111	2	1	1	2	1	1	3	5	7	15	3	6	1	1	...	...	51
290	116	98	43	58	41	9	3	6	79	8	235	9	324	15	360	35	442	78	777	9	323	13	341	...	2	3,056		

RETURN SHEWING THE NUMBER AND CAUSES OF DEATHS REGISTERED

CAUSES.	BRITISH AND FOREIGN COMMUNITY.			CHINESE COMMUNITY.												
				VICTORIA.												
				HEALTH DISTRICT.												
	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, (General Diseases),</i>	140	24	9	121	489	127	207	177	113	123	182	265	133	50	4	234
Local Diseases,— <i>Continued.</i>																
<i>Brought forward,.....</i>	90	7	1	45	606	278	87	118	70	75	91	136	54	27	...	136
<i>E.—The Urinary System.</i>																
Nephritis (Acute),	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bright's Disease,	8	...	1	1	3	3	2	1	1	2	3	3	1	2	...	4
Stone in Bladder, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
Tubercular Disease of Kidney, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ruptured Urethra, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Total Group E,.....	9	...	1	1	4	3	3	1	2	2	4	4	2	2	...	5
<i>F.—The Generative System.</i>																
Metrorrhagia, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pyo—Salphynx,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stricture of Urethra, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Total Group F,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
<i>G.—Affections connected with Pregnancy.</i>																
Abortion, .....	...	...	...	1	3	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ruptured Tubal Gestation,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Group G,.....	1	...	...	1	3	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
<i>H.—Affections connected with Parturition.</i>																
Child-birth, .....	...	...	...	...	3	...	4	4	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	5
Post Partum Hæmorrhage, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hæmorrhage from Placenta-prævia,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Group H,.....	1	...	...	...	3	...	5	4	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	5
<i>I.—The Skin.</i>																
Carbuncle, .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boils, .....	...	...	...	1	32	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Ulcers, .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Group I,.....	...	...	...	1	34	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
<i>J.—Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.</i>																
Hip Joint Disease, .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1
Disease of Knee-joint, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Spinal Ankylosis, .....	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Group J,.....	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2
<i>III.—Undefined.</i>																
Dropsy, .....	...	...	...	...	2	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gluteal Abscess, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pelvic Abscess, .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Undiagnosed,	6	1	...	20	16	10	1	2	3	4	5	5	5	...	...	58
TOTAL UNDEFINED,...	6	1	...	20	18	15	2	2	3	4	5	5	5	...	...	58
GRAND TOTAL,.....	248	32	11	189	1,159	423	307	303	190	208	283	413	196	79	4	441

DURING THE YEAR ENDED THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1898,—Continued.

CHINESE COMMUNITY.								TOTAL AT THE DIFFERENT AGE PERIODS.														GRAND TOTAL.					
KOW-LOON 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.	
290	116	98	43	58	41	9	3	6	79	8	235	9	334	15	360	35	442	78	777	9	323	13	341	...	2	3,056	
161	118	54	23	35	25	15	5	4	473	15	164	7	171	3	76	13	109	31	510	17	385	8	271	...	...	2,257	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	1	3	6	6	1	10	1	3	...	1	...	87	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	7	1	5	7	8	1	10	1	3	...	1	...	45	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
1	1	3	2	4	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	17	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
1	1	3	2	4	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	1	17	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	...	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	...	7	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	39
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
5	3	5	2	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	3	...	7	...	5	...	9	...	...	...	...	27
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
22	21	7	3	2	...	...	...	1	8	...	25	...	48	...	35	1	15	2	27	2	6	1	2	...	18	...	191
28	24	12	5	5	...	2	...	1	8	...	25	...	49	...	37	1	18	2	35	2	12	1	11	...	18	...	220
482	259	169	74	102	67	26	9	11	560	23	452	16	552	18	484	51	597	120	1,359	29	731	23	627	...	21	5,674	

RETURN SHOWING THE NUMBER OF DEATHS THAT OCCURRED IN THE UNDERMENTIONED
INSTITUTIONS,

During the Year ended the 31st day of December, 1898.

The Government Civil Hospitals.		The Tung Wa Hospital.		Tung Wa Hospital Mortuary.	
Causes.	No.	Causes.	No.	Causes.	No.
Small-pox,	25	Small-pox,	4	Diphtheria,	1
Diphtheria,	1	Typhoid Fever,	4	Diarrhoea,	18
Typhoid Fever,	8	Diarrhoea,	97	Dysentery,	2
Cholera,	2	Dysentery,	39	Fever, Intermittent,	2
Choleraic Diarrhoea,	1	Bubonic Fever (Plague),	243	Fever, Remittent,	15
Diarrhoea,	2	Fever, Intermittent,	7	Fever, (Undefined),	1
Dysentery,	2	Fever, Remittent,	127	Beri-Beri,	14
Bubonic Fever, (Plague),	319	Fever, (Undefined),	4	Septicæmia,	1
Remittent Fever,	3	Beri-Beri,	88	Puerperal Fever,	1
Syphilis,	1	Pyæmia,	1	Syphilis, Congenital,	1
Opium Poisoning,	1	Septicæmia,	8	Wounds of Scalp,	1
Burns,	2	Puerperal Fever,	3	Premature Birth,	1
Scalds,	1	Syphilis,	4	Tuberculosis,	1
Fracture of Skull,	2	Worms,	1	Scrofula,	1
Compound Fracture of Foot,	1	Opium Poisoning,	2	Convulsions,	8
Shock from Wounds,	1	Burns,	1	Tetanus,	1
Shock-Splenectomy,	1	Scalds,	1	Trismus,	7
Rupture of Spleen,	1	Fracture of Skull,	1	Heart Disease,	6
Rupture of Uterus,	1	Dislocation of Neck,	1	Syncope,	1
Concussion of Brain,	1	Fracture and Dislocation of Spine,	1	Bronchitis,	9
Amputation of Leg,	1	Concussion of Brain,	1	Pneumonia,	5
Hæmorrhage from Rupture of Arteries of Calf,	1	Intra-Cranial Hæmorrhage,	1	Phthisis,	32
Hæmorrhage from Lung (old Wound of Chest),	1	Shock from Fall,	1	Asthma,	1
Gangrene of Leg (Traumatic),	1	Premature Birth,	1	Hernia, Strangulated,	1
Alcoholism,	2	Debility,	10	Nephritis,	10
Delirium Tremens,	5	Old Age,	7	Unknown,	4
Debility,	2	Purpura Hæmorrhagica,	1	Total,	137
Old Age,	1	Malignant Growth of Orbit,	1		
Cancer,	1	Cancer of Upper Jaw,	1		
Cancer of Neck,	1	“ of Oesophagus,	1		
Cancer of Liver,	1	“ of Liver,	2		
Tuberculosis,	2	“ of Bladder,	1		
Anæmia,	1	“ of Penis,	1		
Meningitis,	2	“ of Uterus,	2		
Meningitis (Traumatic),	1	Tuberculosis,	5		
Apoplexy,	3	Scrofula,	1		
Softening of Brain,	2	Anæmia,	5		
Tetanus (Traumatic),	1	Gangrene of Leg,	1		
Melancholia,	1	Meningitis,	3		
Dementia,	1	“ (Tubercular),	1		
Mania,	3	Cerebral Tumour,	1		
Heart Disease,	5	Apoplexy,	19		
Aneurysm (Aortic),	1	Hemiplegia,	8		
Pericarditis,	1	Convulsions,	3		
Bronchitis,	3	Tetanus,	1		
Pneumonia,	4	“ (Traumatic),	6		
Broncho-Pneumonia,	2	Trismus,	4		
Phthisis,	12	Epilepsy,	1		
Gangrene of Lungs,	1	Locomotor Ataxia,	1		
Pleurisy,	1	Heart Disease,	73		
Cedema of Larynx,	1	Bronchitis,	35		
Cancerum Oris,	2	Pneumonia,	40		
Gastritis,	1	Broncho-Pneumonia,	3		
Enteritis,	1	Phthisis,	280		
Cirrhosis of Liver,	1	Pleurisy,	1		
Hepatic Abscess,	2	Asthma,	1		
Peritonitis,	5	Cancerum Oris,	1		
Strangulated Hernia,	1	Peritonitis,	4		
Bright's Disease,	8	“ (Suppurative),	1		
Stone in Bladder,	1	Nephritis,	1		
Tubercular Disease of Kidneys,	1	Bright's Disease,	13		
Ruptured Urethra,	1	Post Partum Hæmorrhage,	1		
Stricture of Urethra,	1	Hip Joint Disease,	2		
Hip Joint Disease,	3	Gluteal Abscess,	1		
		Unknown,	2		
Total,	468	Total,	1,187	Total,	33

RETURN SHOWING THE NUMBER OF DEATHS,—Continued.

The Italian Convent.	
<i>Causes.</i>	<i>No.</i>
Small-pox,	1
Diarrhoea,	12
Fever, Remittent,	2
Fever, (Undefined),	14
Worms,	3
Marasmus and Atrophy,	40
Inanition,	1
Old Age,	4
Scrofula,	2
Gout,	1
Convulsions,	58
Trismus,	127
Heart Disease,	1
Bronchitis,	6
Phthisis,	66
Asthma,	1
Peritonitis,	1
Bright's Disease,	2
Dropsy,	5
Unknown,	4
Total,.....	351

L'Asile de la Ste. Enfance.	
<i>Causes.</i>	<i>No.</i>
Small-pox,	1
Diarrhoea,	66
Dysentery,	2
Fever, Intermittent,	4
Fever, Remittent,	5
Fever, (Undefined),	68
Pyæmia,	2
Syphilis,	2
Debility,	1
Old Age,	3
Marasmus and Atrophy,	64
Inanition,	1
Meningitis,	2
Apoplexy,	1
Paralysis,	2
Convulsions,	112
Trismus,	326
Hydrocephalus,	1
Heart Disease,	1
Bronchitis,	1
Phthisis,	5
Nephritis,	1
Boils,	32
Spinal Ankylosis,	1
Dropsy,	2
Unknown,	6
Total,.....	712

Table VI. (A.)

Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure relative to the Hongkong District Watchmen's Fund for the year 1898.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
To Balance of previous year,	Disbursements in —
„ Contributions by different Shops,	<i>Districts Nos. 1 and 2.</i>
„ Forfeiture of Bond,	Wages of Head District Watchman,
„ Refund by Ex-watchman, Tsü Ngán, ...	Wages of Watchmen,
„ Fines,	Wages of Cook,
„ Payment for Special Services,	Oil,
„ Interest,	Rent of Station,
	\$ 795.24
	<i>District No. 3.</i>
	Wages of Head District Watchman,
	Wages of Watchmen,
	Wages of Cook,
	Oil,
	Rent of Station,
	\$1,799.17
	<i>District No. 4.</i>
	Wages of Head District Watchman,
	Wages of Watchmen,
	Wages of Cook,
	Oil,
	Rent of Station,
	\$1,876.07
	<i>District No. 5.</i>
	Wages of Head District Watchman,
	Wages of Watchmen,
	Wages of Cook,
	Oil,
	Rent of Station,
	\$1,988.53
	<i>District No. 6.</i>
	Wages of Head District Watchman,
	Wages of Watchmen,
	Wages of Cook,
	Oil,
	Rent of Station,
	\$1,848.67
	<i>Districts Nos. 7 and 8.</i>
	Wages of Head District Watchman,
	Wages of Watchmen,
	Wages of Cook,
	Oil,
	Rent of Station,
	\$1,074.58
	<i>Miscellaneous Expenses.</i>
	Collector's Wages,
	Manager's Wages,
	Chinese Writer's Wages,
	Stationery and Printing,
	Coolie and Jinricksha Hire,
	Gratuities to Watchmen leaving the service, &c.,
	Loss on Exchange,
	Uniforms, Equipment, &c.,
	Extra Watchmen on Duty during Plague time,
	Night Coolies,
	Sundries,
	\$1,650.99
	Total Expenditure,
	Balance,
Total, ..	Total,
\$19,778.31	\$19,778.31
Disposal of Balance, —	
On Fixed Deposit,	
At Current Account,	
	\$ 8,745.06

Table VI. (B.)

State of District Watchmen Force on 31st December, 1898.

The Force consists at present of 68 men.

6 Head Watchmen at.....	\$240 a year.
5 Assistant Head Watchmen at	\$120 ,,
3 Watchmen at	\$ 96 ,,
3 Watchmen at	\$ 90 ,,
51 Watchmen at	\$ 84 ,,

1 Watchman receives	\$4.00 a month extra pay.
1 Watchman receives	\$2.00 ,,
3 Watchmen receive.....	\$1.00 ,,

17 Watchmen resigned.

1 Died.

3 were dismissed.

23 entered the Force.

2 entered the Police.

Table VII.

Dr. Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure relative to the Chinese Recreation Ground for the year 1898. Cr.

RECEIPTS.	\$ c.	EXPENDITURE.	\$ c.
To Balance of the previous year,.....	1,811.44	By Wages to Collector,	24.00
„ Rent,.....	1,347.31	„ „ 3 Watchmen,	253.00
		„ „ Scavenger,	72.00
		„ Uniforms for Watchmen,	37.68
		„ Rent of Watchmen's Quarters,	120.00
		„ Oil,	9.84
		„ Repairing 4 stalls, Nos. 71, 72, 73 and 74, ...	92.22
		„ Water used at the cooking stalls,	57.40
		„ Extra pay to Watchmen,	55.16
		„ Balance in hands of the Colonial Treasurer.	2,437.45
	3,158.75		3,158.75

Table VIII.

*Dr.**Statement of Account of the Market Charitable Fund 1898.**Cr.*

		\$ c			\$ c.
Jan. 1	To Amount at Current Account,	243.29	Jan. 12	By Chan Lin's declaration,	1.00
" 1	" " On Fixed Deposit,	1,200.00	" 14	" Yuen Yaú, for hawker's licence, ...	0.50
" 1	" " In Collector's Hands,	13.10	" 17	" Lau Fuk for passage money,	5.00
May 6	" Draft from Singapore for Ip Tai, ..	175.00	" 17	" Ho Sam and Wong Fung, passage money,	2.00
Aug. 16	" Subscription by Chinese for Rose Doyle,	50.00	Feb. 8	" Alice Memorial Hospital,	50.00
Sept. 14	" Refund by Ladies Benevolent So- ciety of money not required for Rose Doyle's passage to Aus- tralia,	12.50	Mar. 2	" Ki Fuk, hawker's licence and pho- tographs,	0.72
" 14	" Interest,	52.15	Apr. 14	" Chan Muk Sang, hawker's licence and photographs,	0.72
" 14	" Advance by Collector,	3.80	" 14	" Yuen Yaú, hawker's licence,	0.50
			" 23	" 17 Shipwrecked sailors,	17.00
			June 18	" Ip Tai,	175.00
			July 21	" Yuen Yaú, hawker's licence,	0.50
			" 21	" Li Fat, a cripple,	1.00
			Aug. 16	" Ladies Benevolent Society, assist- ance to Rose Doyle returning to Australia,	70.00
			" 25	" Cheque book,	0.50
			" 25	" Li Fat, hawker's licence,	0.52
			Sept. 15	" Wooden leg supplied to cripple, ...	2.50
			" 27	" Ip Wong T'se,	1.00
			Oct. 18	" Li Fat and Tsung Ho, hawkers' licences,	1.04
			" 24	" Wei Kam and Li Kaw, hawkers' licences and photographs,	1.44
			" 25	" Yuen Yaú, hawker's licence,	0.52
			Nov. 7	" Cheung San Tsoi,	1.00
			" 22	" Ho Wau, passage to Canton,	1.00
			Dec. 12	" Wong Lam, hawker's licence and photographs,	0.72
			" 13	" Cheung Fu Ut, hawker's licence and photographs,	0.72
			" 18	" Allowance to Pang Wa for 12 months,	36.00
			" 18	" Allowance to Kwong Wo for 12 months,	24.00
			" 13	" Allowance to Chan Shap for 12 months,	6.00
			" 13	" Allowance to Chan Cheung for 12 months,	24.00
			" 31	" Amount on Fixed Deposit,	1,000.00
			" 31	" " at Current Account,	324.94
		1,749.84			1,749.84

Table IX.

Statement of the Passage Money Fund 1898.

Dr.				Cr.		
		\$	c.		\$	c.
Jan. 1	To Balance in Savings Bank,.....	1,167.90		Mar. 22	By Kwan Tai passage money,	7.50
" 1	" " Collector's hands,	55.08		Apr. 21	" Cheung Sze "	5.00
" 20	" " Passage Money of Leung I,	11.00		" 21	" Kwok Yung "	9.00
Feb. 15	" " " Wong Kam Chai,	5.00		June 15	" Telegram to Singapore,.....	9.00
Mar. 5	" " " Wong Tai Tsoi and Chan Shun Yaú,.....	10.00		July 2	" " Ló Wa Sang, passage money to Kong Mún,	1.00
" 5	" " " Fung Sam and Kwok Yün, ...	10.00		" 6	" " Lam Wa, passage money to Shiu Hing,	1.00
" 16	" " " Kwau Tai and Li Sham,	15.00		" 30	" Cheung Ho, hawker's license,	0.50
Apr. 19	" " " Chung Sze,	5.00		Aug. 20	" Cheung Kam, passage money,	5.00
" 19	" " " Kwong Yung,....	9.00		" 26	" Ng Tai, photograph,	0.30
May 9	" " " To Mui,	9.00		Sept. 17	" Chan Shün Yaú, passage money,...	5.00
" 14	" " " Chan Fung Mui,	11.00		Oct. 12	" Tsang Kwai Mui, "	2.00
" 27	" " " Wong Ngan, ...	8.50		" 18	" Li T'ai, "	9.00
June 16	" " " Lui Hing,	10.00		" 27	" Chan Po Lin, "	2.00
July 18	" " " Pang Shing Ho,	7.00		" 31	" Leung Kwai, "	2.00
" 18	" " " Leung Wong Tsoi,.....	5.00		Dec. 2	" Kwok Wo, "	5.00
" 29	" " " Chan Tai Mui and Chung Po,	22.00		" 13	" Wong Yuk, "	7.00
" 29	" " " Woo Kam,	9.00		" 19	" Kwok Mui, "	5.00
" 29	" " " Pang Sze and Chan Sam Mui,	13.30		" 29	" Chan Tsoi Lin "	2.00
Aug. 10	" " " Wong Sam,.....	11.00		" 31	" Balance in Collector's Hands,	478.58
" 11	" " " Cheung Kam and Wong Man,	10.00		" 31	" " Hongkong Savings Bank,	1,209.08
" 24	" " " Li Shing I,	7.00				
" 24	" " " Chan Yaú Kam, Ip Ng and Chü Mi Yung, ..	15.00				
Sept. 8	" " " Lam Sam,	8.00				
" 16	" " " Leung Kíú,	5.00				
" 16	" " " Ló Yuk,	7.00				
" 19	" " " Kwok Ngan and Chan Tsoi Lin,	20.00				
" 19	" " " To Ngan Yaú and Chan Mui,	20.00				
" 21	" " " Wong Sam Mui and Wong Luk,	10.00				
" 27	" " " Li Tsau Kuk, ...	8.50				
Oct. 3	" " " Chan Sam Yaú and Chan I, ...	14.00				
" 3	" " " Yung Ying, Li T'ai and Wong I,	15.00				
" 3	" " " Luk I and Chan Sam,	10.00				
" 11	" " " Mak Kiu and Chau Tsai Mang,	17.50				
" 11	" " " Chau Tai Shing and Chan Sui Li,	22.00				
" 25	" " " Li Tai Hi and Yeung Chün, ..	19.00				
Nov. 5	" " " Wong Shun Ki and Chan Sui, ..	16.00				
" 7	" " " Wong I,	5.00				
" 7	" " " Li Tsat,	7.00				
" 15	" " " Im I, Lau Yan Mui and Wong Yuk,.....	15.00				
" 25	" " " Li Hing, Siu Shan, Leung Ngan and Ng Sz,	28.00				
" 25	" " " Ho Tsoi, Chan Tung Yaú and Chan Kam, ...	15.00				
Dec. 6	" " " Ün Sam,	8.00				
" 13	" " " Wong Yuk,.....	7.00				
" 13	" " " Kwok Mui and Li Yuk,	10.00				
" 16	" " " Chung Yaú, ...	11.00				
" 31	" " Interest,	41.18				
		1,764.96				1,764.96