being committed, and may remove any such woman or girl to a place of safety to be there detained until her case be enquired into.

(2.) The Registrar General and any officer generally authorised for that purpose in writing by the Registrar General shall have power to search any ship, beat, house, building, or other place for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is therein any woman or girl who is or may be liable to be dealt with under the provisions of this Ordinance, or whether any offence under this Ordinance is being committed and may remove any such woman or girl to a place of safety to be there detained until her case be enquired into

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 11th day of October, 1899.

R. F. JOHNSTON, Acting Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor, the 26th day of October, 1899.

J. H STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 588.

The following Statement of Military Expenditure, and Contribution for Barrack Services and Defence Works for the Years 1889-1898, which was laid before the Legislative Council on the 26th instant, is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 27th October, 1899.

MILITARY EXPENDITURE, AND CONTRIBUTION FOR BARRACK SERVICES AND DEFENCE WORKS.

	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.
	\$. \$	\$	\$	8	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Military Expenditure,	131,637.80	121,897.97	*381,316.68	267,182.43	297,873.90	371,647.51	353,242.05	469,679.52	416,541.73	448,605.19
Contribution for Barrack Services,				•••			****	40,000.00	43,837.14	40,000.00
Do. for Defence \ Works,	•••	•••	•••		·			•••		14,700.00
Total,\$	131,637.80	121,897.97	381,316.68	267,182,43	297,873.90	371,647.51	353,242,05	509,679,52	460,378.87	503,305,19

^{*} The Military Contribution was doubled from 1st January, 1890, and the arrears for 1890 were paid in 1891.

A. M. THOMSON, Treasurer.