GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 557.

The following Return of the Approximate Number of Fishermen employed in taking Coral and Shell from the sea adjoining the New Territory, which was laid before the Legislative Council this day, is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th September, 1901.

RETURN OF THE APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF FISHERMEN EMPLOYED IN TAKING CORAL AND SHELL FROM THE SEA ADJOINING THE NEW TERRITORY.

Locality.	Approximate Area.	Approximate No. of Boats.	Average No. of Men on each Boat.	Total estimated No. of Men employed.
Tsin Wan,	1½ sq. miles	18	5	90
Ni Ku Chau,	3 sq. miles	20 Junks 60 Boats	18 6	360 360
Deep Bay,	4 sq. miles	70 Junks 25 Boats	5 to 10 5	50 0 125
Rocky Harbour,	7 sq. miles	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	2 3 to 4 2 fo 3	60 35 22
Ping Chau (in Mirs Bay),		150	2 to 3	400

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION .-- No. 558.

The following Depositions taken by the Magistrate sitting as Coroner in the Enquiry into the Deaths which occurred in the Collapsed Houses in Cochrane Street, which were laid before the Legislative Council this day, are published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th September, 1901.



Inquiry No. 20 of 1901.

In charge of the Case—Inspector David Douglas Cuthbert.

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Information of witnesses severally taken and acknowledged on behalf of Our Sovereign King Edward the Seventh at the House known as the Police Court in Victoria, in the said Colony, on the 30th day of August in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and one, before Francis Arthur Hazeland, Esq., Gentleman, Magistrate for the said Colony.

Liv Mui declared and examined: -

I am a married woman. I lived at No. 32, Cochrane Street, third floor. The house was a family house. The house had four storeys. There were different families occupying the different floors. On the 3rd floor there were 19 people. On the night of the 14th August, at 11 p.m., the house suddeny collapsed. My husband was in the same cubicle with me. My husband was killed. My mother and two daughters were also on the same floor. They were all killed. My husband's name was Leung Sang. He was head coolie at the Ordnance.