

No. 139.

FINANCIAL RETURNS

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE REVENUE AND

HEADS OF REVENUE.	Estimates 1914.	Actual Revenue to 31st Dec., 1914.	Revenue for same period of preceding Year.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Light Dues	92,000.00	90,397.87	93,649.44	.....	3,251.57
Light Dues, Special Assessment	104,500.00	103,667.97	104,648.41	.....	980.44
Licences and Internal Revenue not otherwise specified ...	6,797,600.00	7,979,439.51	5,510,560.89	2,468,878.62	.....
Fees of Court or Office, Payments for specific purposes, and Reimbursements in Aid	654,910.00	727,777.59	711,534.94	16,242.65	.....
Post Office	440,000.00	398,426.38	439,189.37	.....	40,762.99
Kowloon-Canton Railway	372,600.00	381,313.28	325,115.22	56,198.06	.....
Rent of Government Property, Land and Houses	905,600.00	936,648.02	898,480.27	38,167.75	.....
Interest	2,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous Receipts	133,750.00	124,416.04	136,844.82	.....	12,428.78
TOTAL, (Ordinary),	9,502,960.00	10,742,086.66	8,220,023.36	2,579,487.08	57,423.78
Land Sales, (Premia on New Leases)	250,000.00	265,186.43	292,285.48	.....	27,099.05
TOTAL,	9,752,960.00	11,007,273.09	8,512,308.84	2,579,487.08	84,522.83

TREASURY.

FOR THE YEAR 1914.

EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1914.

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE.	Estimates, 1914.	Actual Expenditure to 31st Dec., 1914.	Expenditure for same period of preceding Year.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Governor	85,657.00	85,986.29	82,051.05	3,935.24	.....
Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature	82,158.00	70,894.40	79,977.73	.....	9,083.33
Secretariat for Chinese Affairs	53,259.00	51,178.04	41,674.04	9,504.00	.....
Audit Department	32,741.00	32,697.22	30,817.89	1,879.33	.....
Treasury... ..	66,340.00	66,943.60	66,161.92	781.68	.....
Harbour Master's Department	174,610.00	176,287.98	228,516.80	.....	52,228.82
Imports & Exports Department	1,044,233.00	991,096.46	.....	991,096.46	.....
Royal Observatory	25,890.00	25,398.31	24,255.49	1,142.82	.....
Miscellaneous Services	257,128.00	945,131.62	387,783.79	557,347.83	.....
Judicial and Legal Departments... ..	269,575.00	259,181.94	253,636.18	5,545.76	.....
Police and Prison Departments	931,407.00	933,156.52	909,421.09	23,735.43	.....
Medical Departments	246,409.00	230,896.86	227,307.03	3,589.83	.....
Sanitary Department	369,566.00	353,521.53	331,234.55	22,286.98	.....
Botanical and Forestry Department	48,309.00	49,076.14	48,745.88	330.26	.....
Education	319,052.00	292,820.83	269,164.33	23,656.50	.....
Military Expenditure	1,764,276.00	1,886,346.31	1,615,683.32	270,662.99	.....
Public Works Department	432,530.00	414,510.57	367,544.52	46,966.05	.....
Do. Recurrent	481,000.00	567,100.18	599,843.24	.....	32,743.06
Do. Extraordinary	2,130,800.00	1,639,594.72	1,247,689.34	391,905.38	.....
Post Office	438,421.00	371,646.06	622,587.51	.....	250,941.45
Kowloon-Canton Railway	271,209.00	274,366.39	245,808.58	28,557.81	.....
Charge on account of Public Debt	738,851.00	705,808.50	672,961.36	32,847.14	.....
Pensions	307,200.00	305,030.61	280,230.88	24,799.73	.....
Charitable Services	25,235.00	27,553.74	24,916.41	2,637.33	.....
TOTAL,	10,595,856.00	10,756,224.82	8,658,012.93	2,443,208.55	344,996.66

Statement of Assets and Liabilities on the 31st December, 1914.

LIABILITIES.	\$ c.	ASSETS.	\$ c.
Deposits not Available,	258,995.86	Subsidiary Coins,.....	989,863.08
House Service,	1,855.75	Advances,	126,352.37
Crown Agents' Advances,	678,906.71	Imprest,.....	118,336.64
" " Drafts,	571,428.57	Railway Construction,.....	3,932,633.98
Postal Agencies in China,	8,745.43	Unallocated Stores,	321,990.99
Overdraft, Bank,	1,066,755.63	Crown Agents' Current Account,	7,984.86
Total Liabilities,	2,586,687.95		
Balance,	2,910,473.97		
Total,.....\$	5,497,161.92	Total,.....\$	5,497,161.92

Statement of Funded Public Debt or Loans borrowed for Fixed Periods outstanding on the 31st December, 1914, and of the Accumulated Sinking Fund at the same date.

Designation of Debt or Loan.	Legal Authority.	Amount Outstanding.	JOINT SINKING FUND 1914.			
			Amount of Stock, &c.	Cost Price.	Market Value.	
Hongkong 3½ % Inscribed Stock.	Ordinances Nos. 1 & 2 of 1893 and No. 11 of 1905.	£1,485,732.16.5	Antigua, 4 ½ % Stock.	£ 500. 0. 0	501.17. 0	No list of market values on 31st December, 1914, has been received.
			Barbadoes, 3 ½ % "	18,059.16. 5	16,735.15. 0	
			British Guiana, 3 ½ % "	2,000. 0. 0	1,932.17. 3	
			Cape of G. Hope, 3 ½ % "	2,000. 0. 0	1,941. 1. 0	
			Ceylon, 3 ½ % "	5,262.17. 0	5,146. 1. 8	
			Gold Coast, 3 ½ % "	12,547.12. 9	10,708.10. 5	
			Do., 3 ½ % "	12,115. 7.10	11,673.12. 2	
			India, 3 ½ % "	3,982.18. 1	3,786.13. 6	
			Jamaica, 4 ½ % "	9,658. 4. 7	9,641. 5. 5	
			Do., 3 ½ % "	5,471.18.11	4,904. 1. 2	
			Montserrat, 4 ½ % "	194. 8.10	195.14. 2	
			Natal, 3 ½ % "	200. 0. 0	189.19. 5	
			New Zealand, 3 ½ % "	2,000. 0. 0	1,921. 8. 8	
			Do., 3 ½ % "	1,742. 5. 2	1,640.12. 7	
			Queensland, 3 ½ % "	2,000. 0. 0	1,948. 5.10	
			Sierra Leone, 3 ½ % "	5,000. 0. 0	4,777.11. 2	
			Do., 4 ½ % "	695.16. 2	679.12. 5	
			South Australia, 3 ½ % "	1,200. 0. 0	1,293.16. 5	
			South Nigeria (Lagos), 3 ½ % "	44,221. 7. 5	42,388. 8. 4	
			Straits Settlements, 3 ½ % "	45,967. 2. 7	42,997. 3. 8	
Trinidad, 4 ½ % "	7,419.10. 1	7,478. 6. 1				
Do., 3 ½ % "	7,826.18. 5	7,067. 2. 1				
Victoria, 3 ½ % "	5,000. 0. 0	4,734. 8. 6				
Western A'tralia, 3 ½ % "	2,100. 0. 0	2,010. 3. 1				
Total,.....	£197,166. 4. 3	£186,294. 7. 0	.....		

Wuchang Loan Account 1914.

Payments by Viceroy, (advanced for Railway Construction),.....	£ 971,520 17 11	Loan,	£ 1,100,000
Balance due to Government,	128,479 2 1		
Total,	£1,100,000 0 0	Total,	£ 1,100,000

Statement of the Expenditure on Works and Payments Chargeable to Loan Accounts.

Expenditure on Railway Construction from special fund and various advances ultimately repayable from the fund up to 31st December, 1913,	\$13,521,231.56	Advanced from Loan Fund, £971,520 17s. 11d. .	\$10,163,026.71
During 1914,	574,429.13	Do. General Account,.....	3,932,633.98
Total,	\$14,095,660.69	Total,	\$14,095,660.69

A. M. THOMSON,
Treasurer.

20th March, 1915.