

Appendix C.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS FOR THE YEAR 1926.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

(Tables I and II)

Revenue.

1. The revenue derived from all sources during the year was \$29,226 in 1925. The great decrease was due to the salaries

Expenditure.

2. The total expenditure was \$8,147 as compared with \$19,226 in 1925. The great decrease was due to the salaries of the Clerical Staff being paid from the vote for Junior Clerical Service.

PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS.

(Table III)

Women and Girls Protection Ordinance, No. 4 of 1897.

Po Leung Kuk Incorporation Ordinance, No. 6 of 1893.

3. The number of persons detained under warrant and sent direct to the Po Leung Kuk during the year was 24 as compared with 18 in 1925; the action taken in each case (as also in the case not decided at the end of 1925) is shown in Table III. The number of women whose detention was found unnecessary and who were allowed to leave after investigation was 7 or 29.1% as compared with 3 or 16.6% in 1925; 9 were sent to their native places; 2 were restored to their relatives; while 3 cases were still under consideration on December 31st.

4. In this year two names were added to the list of girls under bond to report themselves periodically to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The names of 4 girls of whom 2 ran away were struck off the list. The number of names on the list on December 31st was 11.

5. The number of persons reported by Hong Kong residents to the Po Leung Kuk as missing during the year was 36 of whom 8 were found, as compared with 34 and 12 in 1925. The total number of persons reported missing including reports from China and Macao was 39 of whom 8 were found, as compared with 12 out of 39 in 1925.

EMIGRATION.

Asiatic Emigration Ordinance, No. 30 of 1915.

(i)—Emigration of Women and Children, (Free).

(Table IV).

6. The number of female and minor passengers examined and allowed to proceed abroad was 29,636 (women 19,591, girls 2,797 and boys 7,248) as compared with 15,082 in 1925, a remarkable increase of almost twice as many.

7. The record of the occupations of the female emigrants over 16 years of age shows that out of a total of 19,591, 6,329 were going to join relatives, 6,574 with relatives or husbands, 384 as tailoresses, 700 as prostitutes, 5,272 as maidservants or nurses, 5 as students and 266 to work on the land. There were also 13 actresses, 25 hairdressers and 19 nuns.

8. 15 women were detained for enquiries; none were detained in 1925.

9. Repatriation of Women and Girls:—

(a) From Singapore—130 prostitutes were sent back from Singapore of whom 127 were returned on the ground that they were too young to practise prostitution.

2 applications were received for the recovery of 2 women who had emigrated to Singapore and Penang. They were found and returned to their relatives.

(b) From Batavia—6 prostitutes were repatriated during the year.

(c) From Kuala Lumpur—3 girls taken into Kuala Lumpur for immoral purpose were returned at their own request and handed back to their relatives.

10. Prosecutions under the Women and Girls Protection Ordinance undertaken by this office number 9 with convictions in the case of 6 persons as compared with 7 cases and 5 convictions in 1925.

(ii)—Male Emigration, (Assisted).

(Table V).

11. The figures for the year show an increase in the number of assisted emigrants of over 40% on the number for 1925.

(a) Banca—The assisted emigration to Banca continued during the year. There was an increase of 160% over the numbers in 1925.

(b) Deli, Sumatra—The Assisted Emigration to Deli this year represents an increase of 25% over that in 1925.

(c) British North Borneo, Sandakan and Miri—The figures for 1925 show an increase of 10% over those in 1925.

(d) There were 192 emigrants to Ocean Island, 750 to Singapore, 11 to Solomon Islands and 47 to Calcutta, while there were 2,457 emigrants during the year to Billiton as against 2,756 in 1925.

(e) The total number of 'free,' 'through' and 'assisted' emigrants passing through the Colony in 1926 was 182,040 on 211 ships.

(iii)—Miscellaneous.

12. The total number of free emigrants to the Fiji Islands passed through this office was 104 as compared with 10 in 1925. The men went as usual in small parties at irregular intervals.

13. Decrepits—The number of decrepits repatriated was as follows:—

(a) From Penang—None as against 62 in 1925.

(b) From Singapore—8 were returned from Singapore as compared with 32 in 1925 and 18 in 1924.

(c) From British North Borneo—114 decrepits repatriated from British North Borneo as compared with 155 in 1925, were sent to their homes in the usual way. All the charges incurred were refunded by Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co. the agents in Hong Kong of the British North Borneo Government.

14. Repatriation of assisted emigrants:—

(a) From Banca—20 assisted coolies rejected by the medical officer were repatriated from Banca, as compared with 83 in 1925. All the charges incurred were refunded by the Holland China Trading Company by whom the coolies were recruited.

(b) From Balik Papan—No assisted coolie rejected by the medical officer was repatriated from Balik Papan as last year.

15. Redemption of Assisted Emigrants.—9 applications of this nature were received as compared with 13 in 1925.

(a) Banca—6 applications were received, and all the men were repatriated and handed back to their relatives.

(b) Christmas Island—1 application was received and forwarded to the Protector of Chinese, Singapore, and the man was repatriated and handed back to his relatives

(c) Deli, Sumatra—1 application was received during the year, and the man repatriated and handed back to his relatives.

(d) Sandakan.—1 application was received, and the man repatriated and handed back to his relatives.

16. Six passage broker's licences at \$200 each were issued under the Asiatic Emigration Ordinance, No. 30 of 1915.

17. A classification of assisted emigrants according to language spoken is given in Table V.

CHINESE BOARDING HOUSES.

The Boarding House Ordinance, No. 23 of 1917.

18. Under this Ordinance Chinese Boarding Houses are divided into six classes for the purposes of licensing and regulation.

19. *Class I, Chinese Hotels.*—These are run very much on the lines of European Hotels, and are licensed for the sale of alcoholic liquors. There are now three houses of this class in the Colony, the "Great Eastern", the "Stag", and the "Mei Chow" which was added to the list in the course of the year. One house the "Oriental" closed during the year.

20. *Class II, Hak U.*—These are large boarding houses, which cater principally for independent emigration and inter-port passenger business. During the year four (4) new boarding houses of this class were opened. At the end of the year the houses numbered forty-eight (48) all of which had renewed their licences. The lawful accommodation provided by these forty-eight (48) houses is four thousand nine hundred and ninety-three (4,993) persons as compared with four thousand and thirty-two (4,032) for forty-two (42) houses in 1925. 3 Convictions were obtained against houses of this class (in 1925 there were none).

21. *Class IV, Boarding Houses for Assisted Emigrants.*—These houses are mainly used by assisted emigrants and their recruiters, who may not, while in this Colony be lodged in any other place. During the year 14 existing houses were closed and 14 new ones opened. At the end of the year there were eleven houses in existence, with lawful accommodation for 706 men as compared with 11 houses accommodating 718 men at the end of 1925.

During the year 10 licences for the transfer of names of licensees, for the removal of premises or for the addition of floors were issued to Boarding Houses of classes I and II, as compared with 2 licences issued to houses of classes I and II in 1925.

22. *Class V, Ku Li Kun* (lodging houses for coolies).—332 licences were issued as against 479 in 1925; of these 304 were renewed at the end of the year as against 440 in 1925. 1 licence was issued for transfer of name of licensee or for removal of premises as against 9 in 1925. No prosecution was instituted against houses of this class (in 1925 there were also none).

23. *Class VI, Ku Kung Ngoi U* (lodging houses for employees of firms).—171 licences were issued as against 143 in 1925; of these 160 were renewed at the end of the year as against 133 in 1925. 11 licences were issued for transfer of name of licensee or for removal of premises, (in 1925 there were none). 3 Convictions were obtained against houses of this class (in 1925 there were none).

24. *Class VII, Hang Shun Kun* (residential clubs for seamen).—102 licences were issued as against 133 in 1925; of these 99 were renewed at the end of the year as against 98 in 1925. 15 licences were issued for transfer of name of licensee or for removal of premises as against 5 in 1925. A conviction was obtained against a house of this class (in 1925 there were none).

REGULATION OF CHINESE.

Ordinance No. 3 of 1888.

(i)—Registration of Householders.

25. This portion of the Ordinance has long since ceased to serve any really useful purpose, and its long delayed abolition has become more than ever necessary.

Two thousand six hundred and twenty-four (2,624) householders were registered as against 1,085 in 1925; of these 498 were first registrations as against 191 in 1925; 4,537 changes of tenancy were also notified for registration as against 1,931 in 1925.

26. The number of Chinese business men in Victoria and Kowloon offering themselves as sureties to Government Departments and reported on by this office was 860 as against 752 in 1925.

27. No non-resident householders was required to enter into a bond; there was also none in 1925. 45 certified extracts from the registers were issued as against 29 in 1925. No duplicate Householder's Certificate was issued; there was also none in 1925. 4 Householder's Removal Certificates were issued as against 3 in 1925.

(ii)—District Watchmen.

(Table VI).

28. The District Watchmen Committee met on 12 occasions; the average attendance being 14. The loyal advice and

assistance of the Committee (which deals with every kind of question affecting the Chinese Community) continue to be of the greatest value to the Government.

29. Mr. Wong Kam Fuk's term of 5 years expired and he was re-appointed by His Excellency the Governor for a further period of 5 years.

30. During 1926 the two members selected from the retiring Committees of the Tung Wa Hospital and the Po Leung Kuk who hold their appointments for one year, were Mr. Ma Chui Chiu and Mr. Li Yik Mui vice Mr. Ma Chi Lung and Mr. Lo Chung Kue whose terms had expired.

31. The balance to the credit of the District Watchmen Fund at the end of the year was \$46,627 as compared with \$47,318 in 1925, the expenditure thus exceeding the income by \$691. Of the balance, \$28,000 is invested in Hong Kong 6% War Loan, and the remainder \$18,627 deposited in the Colonial Treasury.

32. The Committee were much indebted to Mr. Wong Kam Fuk for undertaking to audit the monthly accounts.

33. The total strength of the District Watchmen Force at the end of the year was 117 while the approved establishment is 122.

34. The number of convictions secured by the Force was 467 as compared with 371 in 1925 and 498 in 1924.

35. Sub-Inspector F. W. Shaftain continued in charge of the Force during the year, and is again to be commended for the good work done, especially with the detective branch. The uniformed branch still lacks the attention of a special European police officer; it is hoped that this defect will be remedied in the near future, and this branch of the Force rendered thereby more efficient. Arrangements have now been definitely made to alter the uniform to one of a more modern pattern.

(iii).—*Permits.*

36. Eight hundred and fifty-six (856) permits to fire crackers were issued as against four hundred and twelve (412) in 1925, and of these six hundred and seventy-one (671) were on the occasion of marriage.

Other permits issued were 19 for religious ceremonies and 3 for processions. 109 permits were issued for theatricals. Of these 99 performances were held in permanent and 10 in temporary buildings.

MARRIAGES.

Ordinances No. 7 of 1875 and No. 6 of 1903.

27. No non-resident householder was required to enter was 161 as compared with 159 in 1925. The number contracted at the Registrar's Office was 21. In 1925 it was 24.

38. At the end of the year the functions of the Registrar were transferred to the Land Officer and the Registry transferred to the Land Office.

CERTIFICATES OF IDENTITY TO CHINESE PROCEEDING
TO ANY FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Ordinance No. 6 of 1923.

39. 8 certificates were issued to Chinese to proceed to foreign countries as against 6 in 1925.

BRITISH BORN SUBJECT CERTIFICATES.

40. There were three applications for these certificates, one of which was granted and certificate issued; two were refused.

REGISTRATION OF BOOKS.

Ordinance No. 2 of 1888.

41. 27 books were registered during the year as compared with 12 in 1925.

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL AND MAN MO TEMPLE.

Ordinances No. 1 of 1870, No. 9 of 1904 and No. 10 of 1908.

(Tables VII to XI.)

42. The following is a list of the Directors for 1926:—

Tam Wun-tong,	Chu Pik-tung,
Ng Yu-chau,	Leung Lan-po,
Kwok Tsun,	Chan Kwai-lok,
Li Sheung-ming,	Chan Tsung-san,
Ng Kin-cho,	Chan Yik-tin,
Lui Yam-sun,	Wong Kwai-tsing,
Yu Sz-wing,	Ho Chi-shang.

43. The following gentlemen were elected to form the Committee for 1927:—

Li Hoi-tung,	To Chak-man,
San Shing-sam,	Lui Ka-on,
Ng Yu-hon,	Tsang Iu-ting,
Tong Shun,	Yung Kung-man,
Chau Pok-hing,	Cho Shuk-kon,
Au Kung-ue,	Luk Kung-luk,
Ten Lan-suen,	Lam Shin-po.

44. The total number of in-patients admitted during 1926 was 7,518 as compared with 8,713 in 1925 and 9,419 in 1924. Of these 3,975 or 53% as against 50% in 1925 elected to be treated by European methods.

45. The out-patients number 153,486 as against 199,805 in 1925 and 197,736 in 1924, and of these 22,972 or 15% as against 33% in 1925 chose European treatment.

46. The number of surgical operations performed was 266 as against 378 in 1925. There were also 71 eye operations performed as against 146 in 1925.

47. The number of destitutes temporarily housed and then sent to their homes was 548 (449 in 1925); most of whom were sent to the Hospital from this office.

48. Of the Charitable Funds managed by the Hospital the Man Mo Temple Fund (Table XI) shows an excess of receipts over expenditure of \$59,118, an increase of \$7,236 over the balance of 1925. The Maternity Hospital at Saiyingpun shows a credit balance of \$1,595 (Table XII).

49. The income from the Brewin Charity Fund for the year exceeded the expenditure by \$7,660.06.

The amount spent in gratuities and pensions was \$6,680 as compared with \$5,567 in 1925 and \$5,162 in 1924.

\$6,000 is invested in Hong Kong 6% War Bonds.

50. The end of the year saw the appointment of a commission by Government "to enquire into the administration of the Tung Wah Hospital, the Kwong Wah Hospital and the Chinese Public Dispensaries and to suggest such improvements as may seem necessary or desirable."

51. The following gentlemen were invited and consented to serve on the commission under the chairmanship of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs: The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., The Principal Civil Medical Officer (Dr. Addison), Professor Anderson, and Messrs. Li Yik Mui and Wong Ping Suen, past chairmen of the Committee of the Tung Wah Hospital.

Their investigations are being proceeded with.

52. Great progress was made with the scheme for providing a branch hospital in the Eastern District. The 1926 Committee pushed on the matter and a site in So Kun Po has now been definitely granted. Plans for a large hospital on completely modern lines are now under consideration.

KWONG WAH HOSPITAL.
(Table XIV to XV (B)).

53. The total number of in-patients admitted during 1926 was 6,138 as compared with 6,695 in 1925. Of these 4,738 or 77% as against 72% in 1925 came under European treatment, while 1,400 elected to be treated by Chinese methods.

The total number of out-patients treated was 99,729 as against 74,257 in 1925; of these 32,646 elected to receive European treatment. This gives a percentage of 33 as against one of 37 in 1925.

CHINESE PUBLIC DISPENSARIES AND PLAGUE HOSPITALS.

(Tables XVI to XXI).

54. The total number of cases treated at the Dispensaries was 139,469 as compared with 135,571 in 1925. Of this total 77,732 were new and 61,737 return cases.

The total number of vaccinations performed was 11,342 as against 10,489 in 1925.

The total expenditure on the Dispensaries, was \$44,321 as against \$52,266 in 1925.

The net revenue of the Dispensaries, excluding a grant of \$9,000 by Government was \$38,486 as compared with \$41,532 in 1925.

The two Kowloon Dispensaries at Hunghom and Shamshui-po show balance of \$1,848 and \$1,528 respectively. In 1925 the balances were \$3,644 and \$3,598.

The number of dead and dying infants brought to the Dispensaries was 1,015 as against 1,213 in 1925.

745 corpses were removed to hospital or mortuary as against 1,064 in 1925. 353 applications for coffins were received as against 470 in 1925; and there were 85 attendances for the cleansing of infected premises as against 29 in 1925.

The Dispensaries Committee are again indebted to the authorities of the Alice Memorial Hospital for assistance in the matter of the issue of medicines and drugs, and the regulation of their consumption.

The number of bodies considered by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to have been abandoned during the year was 1,033 as compared with 1,115 in 1925. (Table XX).

Of the 1,033 bodies abandoned none were taken to the Chinese Public Dispensaries: there were also none in 1925.

Table XIX compiled from statistics in the Sanitary Department shows the number of death certificates issued in proportion to the total number of Chinese deaths, and the number of cases in which postmortem examinations were held.

TSAN YUK MATERNITY HOSPITAL. (WEST POINT).

55. (a) This hospital was formally opened in October 1922. 34 beds are available for patients and 693 maternity cases in all were admitted as against 608 and 134 gynaecological cases as against 62 in 1925.

The matron, Miss Leung, left for a course of training at the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin. Two of the sisters have been performing her duties meanwhile. 12 probationers have been in training throughout the year. Six passed the examination of the Midwives Board last March and six new girls were admitted for the two years course of training required by the Midwives Board.

Infant Welfare Centre. 374 babies were brought with a total of 2,303 visits as against 341 and 2,025 respectively in 1925.

A charge of 20 cents a day is made for patients in the general wards, but no patient is refused admittance, even if she is unable to pay anything. Patients who occupy a private room pay \$2 or \$1 a day, and no 'tips' are allowed to anyone in the employment of the hospital. \$5,043.55 was received from patients.

Patients who wish to be seen without waiting or on any day other than the regular out-patient day pay a fee of \$3 to the Hospital Funds.

Thanks are again due to Dr. Tottenham and (during his absence in the summer) to Dr. Balean and Dr. Pillai for their assistance especially with the clinical work.

WAN TSAI MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

(b) The work of this hospital has steadily increased since it was established in 1919. 773 cases were admitted as against 858 in 1925.

A charge of 20 cents a day is made. Two small private wards are available for patients at \$2 a day. Altogether \$1,594.20 was received from patients in fees, \$583.40 from private ward patients and \$1,010.80 from the general ward patients.

It is opportune at the end of these sections on the work of the Native Hospitals to emphasise again the very valuable work done by Mrs. Hickling both in the way of general supervision in her capacity as Assistant Medical Officer in Charge of Native Hospitals and particularly in the treatment and nursing of gynaecological and maternity cases. Most noteworthy is the success which has attended her efforts to encourage Chinese

women to come in and be treated by European methods. Her personal report is reproduced in full at Annexe B and from it may be seen how much has been tried and done since she took up office to improve the efficiency of the work not only of the purely maternity hospitals, but also in the treatment of women at the Tung Wah Hospital, the Kwong Wah Hospital, and the Chinese Public Dispensaries.

CHINESE PERMANENT CEMETERY.

(Table XXII.)

56. The balance increased from \$37,124 in 1925 to \$48,556; in 1924 the balance was \$31,045.

57. Translation Works done in the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs during the year 1926.

Translation from Chinese into English.	Translation from English into Chinese.
Petitions 142	Ordinance 1
Letters 174	Regulations 24
Newspaper articles and items of news 160	Government notices 74
Unspecified 126	Minutes 3
	Unspecified 33
Total 602	Total 135

Grand total 737

The total number of translations done by the Translator was thus 737 as against 612 in 1925, 1,002 in 1924, and 792 in 1923.

In addition a large number of translations made in other Government Departments are sent to this office for revision. Much translation work is done by members of the staff other than the Translator, but of this no record is kept.

CHINESE RECREATION GROUND.

(Table XXIII.)

58. The income from stalls was \$3,269 (in 1925 it was \$3,270). The Ground continued to make a contribution of \$100 a month to the funds of the Tsan Yuk Hospital.

PASSAGE MONEY FUND.

(Table XXIV).

59. The net income of the Fund was \$443 and the total expenditure \$433 as compared with \$278 and \$430 last year.

FACTORIES.

60. Industry during the year was dull, and several factories closed their doors. The others are reported to have just managed to carry on. The need for supervision was not so urgent, and the inspector under the 'Industrial Employment of Children' Ordinance, Mr. Meade, acted instead as inspector under the 'Protection of Women and Girls' Ordinance.

With the New Year (1927) Mr. Meade will revert to his former duties and act also as inspector of factories under the proposed 'Factory (Accidents)' Ordinance.

STAFF.

Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

61. Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax acted as Colonial Secretary from 9th January to 30th April, and was appointed a Delegate to Canton in connection with the negotiations for ending the anti-British boycott from 14th to 24th July. During the two periods Mr. D. W. Tratman and Mr. R. A. C. North acted as Secretary for Chinese Affairs respectively.

Chief Assistant to Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

62. Mr. R. A. C. North went on leave from 16th October to 2nd December. During this period Mr. T. Megarry acted as Chief Assistant to Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Second Assistant to Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

63. Mr. T. Megarry went on leave from 1st February to 17th March. During this period Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipton and Mr. J. H. B. Nihill acted as Second Assistant to Secretary for Chinese Affairs from 1st to 22nd February and from 23rd February to 17th March respectively.

Third Assistant to Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

64. Mr. E. H. Williams was appointed Third Assistant to Secretary for Chinese Affairs on 3rd May.

Sub-Inspector under Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance.

65. Sub-Inspector C. Evans reverted to Police Department on 1st January and Mr. F. Meade, Inspector of Juvenile Labour took over the work in addition to his other duties.

Emigration Sergeant.

66. Sergt. C. Poyntz reverted to Police Department on 1st January and Sergt. J. O'Donovan was seconded from the same Department to take up the post on 11th January.

Officer in Charge of Uniform District Watchmen.

67. Sergt. S. Logan reverted to Police Department on 1st February and the post has not been again filled.

68. Mr. Chan Yik-hi was promoted to Class IV from Class V on 1st September.

69. Mr. Leung Kit-choi, Class VI Interpreter, was transferred to Police Department on the 2nd September, and the vacancy was filled by the appointment of Mr. Tsang Hing-kai on the same day.

E. R. HALLIFAX.

Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

6th August, 1927.

Table I.

Revenue for the years 1925 and 1926.

Heads of Revenue.	Details of Revenue.	Ordinance under which received.	Revenue in 1925.		Revenue in 1926.		Increase.		Decrease.	
			\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
Licences and Internal Revenue not otherwise specified,	Chinese Boarding House Licences,	No. 1 of 1889 & No. 4 of 1908. No. 7 of 1875 & No. 15 of 1902. No. 30 of 1915.	13,004	*	16,721	*	3,717	*	.....	85
	Marriage Licences,		878		820		.....	.....	.....	.....
	Emigration Passage Brokers Licences,		1,200		1,200		.....	.....	.....	.....
	Forfeitures,		25		.....		.....	.....	.....	25
Fees of Court or Office, Payments for Specific Purposes, and Reimbursements-in-aid,	Certificates to Chinese proceeding to foreign countries	No. 6 of 1923. No. 3 of 1888. No. 14 of 1913.	300		400		100		.....	.....
	Bond by Non-resident Householders, .....		.....		.....		.....		.....	.....
Interest,	Official Signatures, .....	.....	94		104		10		.....	.....
	Interest accrued on official account,		170		415		245		.....	.....
Other Miscellaneous Receipts,	Permits for Firework Displays, .....	.....	70		80		10		.....	.....
	Total,		\$	15,741.94		19,740.62		4,082		88
			Deduct Decrease,		\$		83			
			Total Increase,		\$		3,999			

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

Table II.

Revenue and Expenditure of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs since 1917.

Year.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Percent- age of Expen- diture to Revenue.
	Total.	Decrease.	Increase.	Total.	Decrease.	Increase.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1917,	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	%
1918,	11,370.52	—	2,133.57	51,867.18	3,099.01	—	456.15
1919,	26,678.50	—	15,307.98	50,117.67	1,749.51	—	187.86
1920,	21,430.72	5,247.78	—	52,634.57	—	2,516.90	245.60
1921,	18,007.65	3,423.07	—	57,716.27	—	5,081.70	320.51
1922,	15,659.34	2,348.31	—	18,705.03	89,011.24	—	102.25
1923,	15,514.50	144.50	—	21,115.67	—	2,410.64	136.10
1924,	16,777.69	—	1,263.19	28,795.63	—	7,679.96	171.63
1925,	18,716.08	—	1,938.39	27,512.96	1,282.67	—	147.00
1926,	15,741.94	2,974.14	—	29,225.63	—	1,712.67	185.66
	19,740.62	—	3,998.68	8,147.42	21,078.21	—	41.19

Table III.

Number of Women and Girls detained in a Place of Refuge by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs under Sections 34 and 35 of Ordinance No. 4 of 1897, and arrangements made regarding them.

	Under Detention on 1st January, 1926.			Detained during 1926.			Total.
	Prostitutes.	Emigrants.	Total.	Prostitutes.	Emigrants.	Total.	
Permitted to leave,	7	..	7	7
Permitted to leave under bond,
Restored to husband,	1	..	1	1
Restored to relatives,	2	..	2	2
Sent to native place,	8	1	9	9
Married,
Adopted,
Sent to Refuge or Convent,	1	1	1	1	2	3
Died,
Awaiting marriage,
Cases under consideration,	2	1	3	3
Total,	1	1	21	3	24	25

Cases brought forward, 1. Cases dealt with during the year, 22. Cases carried forward, 3.

Table IV.

Number of Female Passengers and Boys examined and passed before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs under "The Asiatic Emigration Ordinance, 1915," during the year 1926.

Whither Bound.	Women and Children, 1926.				Total Women and Children, 1925.
	Women.	Girls.	Boys.	Total.	
Macassa	215	54	140	409	—
Japan	—	—	—	—	—
Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States	16,651	2,305	5,263	24,219	11,691
Dutch Indies	—	—	—	—	228
Belawan Deli	491	155	211	857	498
British North Borneo	625	139	190	954	495
Honolulu	38	19	33	90	88
Central America	—	—	1	1	—
Canada,	—	—	—	—	—
United States of America,	158	32	466	656	334
Mexico,	—	—	—	—	—
South America,	—	—	—	—	1
Mauritius & Re-Union,	86	9	60	155	258
Australia,	2	—	14	16	33
India,	54	12	27	93	80
South Africa,	—	—	80	—	—
Vanc,	—	—	5,129	80	—
Batavia,	973	121	—	6,223	1,002
West Indies (Jamaica),	—	—	—	—	—
Sourabaya,	—	—	—	—	—
Balikpapan,	5	2	2	9	—
Rangoon,	33	12	13	158	137
Port Elizabeth,	8	—	6	14	—
Delagoa Bay,	9	—	2	11	17
Salina Cruz,	—	—	—	—	—
Callao,	—	—	—	—	62
Billiton,	13	2	5	20	17
Victoria,	—	—	61	61	141
Seattle,	59	12	252	323	—
Total, 1926,	19,420	2,874	11,955	34,249	—
Total, 1925,	9,509	1,570	4,003	15,082	15,082

Table V.

Number of Assisted Emigrants.

Year.	Examined.	Passed.	Rejected.				
			Un-willing.	Rejected at S.C.A. as unfit.	Rejected by Doctor.	Total rejected.	Percentage of rejection.
1924,	12,434	12,381	Nil.	53	Nil.	53	·31
1925,	11,129	11,055	36	19	19	74	·66
1926,	15,536	14,804	184	21	24	229	1·47

Treatment of Rejected Emigrants for 1926.

Sent home through Tung Wah Hospital at expense of Boarding Houses,	205
Rejected by doctor and sent back to boarding houses to be cured,	24
Total rejected,.....	229

Native districts of Assisted Emigrants presenting themselves for Examination and passed.

West River,	778
East River,	8,297
North River,	173
Canton,	1,182
Delta,	947
Kwong Sai,	1,030
Southern Districts,	2,866
Mandarin, (Hunan, Kwong Sai and Kiang Si),	263
Total,	15,536

Table V,—Continued.

Destinations of Assisted Emigrants.

Whither bound.	Male Assisted Emigrants.	
	1925	1926
Straits Settlement and F.M.S.,	141	750
British North Borneo,	1,186	1,229
Dutch Indies:—		
Banca,	1,757	4,354
Billiton,	2,756	2,457
Balikpapan, .....	...	...
Belawan Deli,	4,028	5,194
British Solomon Island,	13	11
India,	67	47
Samoa,	297	194
Ocean Island,	471	} 192
Nauru, .....	...
Makatea, .....	...	299
Solomon Islands, .....	...	11
Tihiti,	88	19
Sydney, .....	...	28
Total	<u>10,804</u>	<u>14,783</u>

1849 passenger's passes were issued for 1st and 2nd class Straits Settlements passengers during the year.

Classification of the Assistant Emigrants examined, according to the language spoken gives the following figures:—

Cantonese,	8,129
Hakka,	3,261
Hoklo,	6,205
Southern Mandarin (mostly from Kwong Sai and Hunan),	232
Hainanese,	1,660
Total	<u>19,489</u>

Table VI.

Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure relative to the
Hong Kong District Watchmen's Fund for the year 1926.

Receipts.		Expenditure.				
	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
To Balance,	47,318.61		By Wages and Salaries :—			
„ Contributions, (Victoria \$46,269 89 and Kowloon \$9,228.27)	55,498.16		Chief District Watchmen,	984.00		
„ Grant by Hong Kong Government,...	2,000.00		Assistant Chief District Watch- men,	3,156.00		
„ Payment for District Watchmen for Special Services,	1,892.00		Detectives,	6,552.00		
„ Interest on Hong Kong Government 6% War Loan,	1,680.00		1st Class District Watchmen,...	9,281.00		
„ Interest on Current Account,	199.88		2nd „ ..	8,633.67		
„ Reward Fund,	60.00		3rd „ ..	1,846.91		30,453.58
„ Fines,	28.00		„ Miscellaneous :—			
„ Condemned Stores,	6.00		Cooks,	840.00		
„ House Rents,	83.00		Coolies,	720.00		
„ Cost of Whistle,	1.00		Messengers,	96.00		1,656.00
„ Forfeiture,	50.00		„ Office Staff :—			
„ Rent from Mr. Yeung Ying-luk for permission to erect the iron gate on Inland Lot No. 680, for the year 1926,	1.00		Manager,	90.00		
			Writer,	132.00		
			Interpreter, .....	...	
			Clerk, .....	...	
			Collectors,	996.00		1,218.00
			Total,			33,327.58
			„ Other Charges :—			
			Allowance to Detectives,	1,378.00		
			Medal Allowance,	1,198.00		
			Crown Rent,	6.86		
			Oil Allowance,	128.40		
			Electric charges,	391.12		
			Conservancy Allowance,	63.60		
			Coolie Hire and Conveyance Allowance,	770.31		
			Stationery and Printing,	309.18		
			Uniform and Equipments,	1,440.80		
			Repairs and Fittings,	324.36		
			Furniture,	89.85		
			Rent of Telephone,	444.00		
			Premium on Fire Policies,	342.59		
			Gratuities and Rewards,	1,048.00		
			Rent for Yaumati D. W. Quarters,	990.00		
			Photos for District Watchmen, Architect Fee,	7.50		
			Part payment to Wan Shun Lee Contractor for work done on Yaumati D. W. Quarters,	500.00		
			Sundries,	14,696.80		
				370.43		24,499.80
			„ Pensions :—			
			Ex. Chief District Watchman So Tai and others,			4,026.00
Total,	\$	108,817.65	Total Expenditure,			61,853.38
Less amount stolen by D.W. No. 61 Lam Piu on 9.11. 1926		337.26	„ Balance,			46,627.01
Total,	\$	108,480.39	Total,	\$		108,480.39

Balance in Colonial Treasury :—

Hong Kong Government 6% War Loan, ... \$28,000.00
Cash,

Total,

Examined and found correct.

LI YAU TSUN,
WONG KAM FUK.

*Members of
District Watchmen Committee.*

Table VII.
 Number of Patients under treatment and other statistics concerning the
 Tung Wah Hospital during the year 1926.

Patients.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1925.	Admitted.			Total number of pa- tients under treatment.	Discharged.	Deaths.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1926.	Out-patients.			Vaccinations.	Dead bodies brought to Hospital Mortuary for burial.	Destitutes sent home.
		Chinese Treatment.	European Treatment.	Total.					Chinese Treatment.	European Treatment.	Total.			
Male,	313	2,704	2,232	4,936	5,249	3,602	1,364	283	62,122	12,129	74,251	1,235	884	548
Female,	120	839	1,743	2,582	2,702	2,075	477	150	68,392	10,843	79,235	...	436	...
Total,	433	3,543	3,975	7,518	7,951	5,677	1,841	433	130,514	22,972	153,486	1,235	1,320	548
Total for 1925,	420	4,848	4,365	8,713	9,133	6,332	2,368	433	133,043	66,762	199,805	847	1,494	449

Table VIII.

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL CASH ACCOUNT 1926.

Receipts.	Amount.	Payments.	Amount.
	\$ c.		\$ c.
Cash Balance from last year		Debit balance against Kwong Wah Hos- pital from last year.....	15,986.34
Tung Wah Hospital account\$ 75,376.91		Current account with Kwong Wah Hos- pital.....	47,800.00
Man Mo Temple..... 51,892.06		Current account with Man Mo Temple...	15,905.63
Emergency Fund 59,562.90		Current account with Emergency Fund...	3,493.60
Maternity Hospital 1,369.97	188,131.84	Current account with Maternity Hospital	3,729.51
Current account with Kwong Wah Hos- pital	54,353.00	Provisions for staff	12,259.01
Current account with Man Mo Temple ...	23,142.20	Salaries for staff	39,906.68
Current account with Maternity Hospital..	4,015.40	Provisions for sick rooms	25,788.23
Interest and subscriptions collected on behalf of Emergency Fund	1,856.54	Sick room sundries	11,913.19
Rents from Yat Pit Ting & iron burners...	2,709.00	Hospital sundries	4,693.63
Rents from houses	84,622.49	Chinese drugs... ..	31,857.09
Subscriptions collected from steamers	6,615.19	Western drugs	230.90
Annual subscriptions of Hongs.....	11,087.50	Repairs	7,318.54
Subscriptions from wealthy persons.....	4,440.00	Destitutes' and Patients' passages	412.29
Subscriptions and donations	3,785.30	Repairs to landed property	876.58
Subscriptions from Directors past and pre- sent	21,526.76	Lights	7,408.68
Special contributions for supply of medi- cines, quilted clothing, coffins and shrouds	3,203.13	Insurance	848.00
Government grants	8,000.00	Crown rent and taxes	10,496.49
Grant from Man Mo Temple.....	2,500.00	Sundries to coffin home & burial ground...	1,370.08
Contributions from Theatres.....	1,800.00	Small-pox Hospital expenses	3,232.21
Hong Kong War Loan dividend	3,000.00	Stamps, stationery and advertisements ...	2,713.32
Subscriptions for coffin home	5,500.00	Grant to Kwong Wah Hospital	2,000.00
Interest on loans and deposits	33,545.46	Grant to Old Men's Asylum	200.00
Premium on notes and discount on goods purchased	616.15	Grant to Fong Pin Hospital	1,638.79
Fees for Patients	4,793.58	Burial of bodies by Tung Wah Hospital...	3,430.87
Sale of medicine, kitchen refuse, coffin home charges, boat hire and sundries...	25,652.64	Coffins for bodies buried by Tung Wah Hospital	8,805.93
		Burial of bodies by Government Mor- tuary	2,019.65
		Coffins for bodies buried by Government Mortuary.....	6,643.07
		Cost of building work	14,153.22
		Interest on deposits.....	5,375.11
		Balance	202,389.54
Grand Total.....	\$ 494,896.18	Grand Total.....	\$ 494,896.18

The Balance of \$202,389.54 consists of the following credit balances minus a debit balance of \$9,433.34 against the Kwong Wah Hospital:—

Tung Wah Hospital	\$ 93,182.55
Man Mo Temple	59,118.63
Emergency Fund.....	57,925.84
Maternity Hospital.....	1,595.86
	<u>\$211,822.88</u>
Minus account against Kwong Wah Hospital	9,433.34
Balance.....	<u>\$202,389.54</u>

(For particulars see separate sheet attached).

TAM WOON TONG,
NG YEE CHAM,
Directors.

Table VIII (A).

PARTICULARS AS TO CREDIT BALANCES.

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL IN ACCOUNT WITH KWONG WAH HOSPITAL.

To Amount received during 1926	\$54,353.00	By Debit balance brought from 1925	\$15,986.34
,, Balance	9,433.34	,, Amount paid during 1926	47,800.00
	<u>\$63,786.34</u>		<u>\$63,786.34</u>

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL IN ACCOUNT WITH MAN MO TEMPLE.

To Credit balance brought forward		By Payments during 1926	\$15,905.63
from 1925	\$51,882.06	,, Balance	59,118.63
, Amount received during 1926	23,142.20		
	<u>\$75,024.26</u>		<u>\$75,024.26</u>

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL IN ACCOUNT WITH EMERGENCY FUND.

To Credit balance brought forward		By Payments during 1926	\$ 3,493.60
from 1925	\$59,562.90	,, Balance	57,925.84
,, Interest received during 1926	1,856.54		
	<u>\$61,419.44</u>		<u>\$61,419.44</u>

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL IN ACCOUNT WITH MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

To Credit balance brought forward		By Payments during 1926	\$ 3,729.51
from 1925	\$ 1,309.97	,, Balance	1,595.86
,, Amount received during 1926	4,015.40		
	<u>\$ 5,325.37</u>		<u>\$ 5,325.37</u>

Table IX.

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
Funds brought forward from 1925	\$75,376.91	<i>Maintenance.</i>	
<i>Ordinary.</i>		Provision:—	
Subscriptions:—		Food for staff \$ 12,259.01	
Annual subscriptions of		Food for sick room 25,788.23	
Hongs \$ 11,087.50			\$ 38,047.24
Subscriptions collected		Surgery and Dispensary:—	
on steamers 6,615.19		Chinese drugs \$ 31,857.09	
Subscriptions and dona-		Western drugs 230.90	
tions 3,785.30			32,687.99
Subscriptions from		Establishments:—	
wealthy persons ... 4,440.00		Light \$ 7,408.68	
Subscriptions from Dir-		Insurance 848.00	
ectors past and pre-		Repairs 7,318.54	
sent 21,526.76	47,454.75	Repairs to hospital pro-	
		perty 876.58	
Grants:—		Sick room expenses ... 11,913.19	
Government \$ 8,000.00		Small-pox Hospital ex-	
Man Mo Temple 2,500.00	10,500.00	penses 3,232.21	
		Repairs to coffin home	
Special contributions:—		and burying ground. 1,370.08	
For Mortuary expenses \$ 5,500.00		Crown rents and taxes 10,496.49	
From theatres 1,800.00			43,463.77
For supply of medi-		Salaries, Wages &c.:—	
cines, quilted cloth-		Staff Salaries \$ 39,906.68	
ing, coffins and		Sundries and bonuses .. 4,693.63	
shrouds 3,203.13	10,503.13		44,600.31
		Appeals, Grants, &c.:—	
Invested property:—		Destitutes' and Pati-	
Rents \$ 84,622.49		ents' passages \$ 412.29	
Rents from Yat Pit		Kwong Wah and Fong	
Ting 1,080.00		Pin Hospitals & Old	
Rent from iron burner 1,629.00		Men's Asylum 3,838.79	
Interest 33,545.46			4,251.08
Hong Kong War Loan		Miscellaneous:—	
dividend 3,000.00	123,876.95	Stationery &c. \$ 2,713.32	
		Burial of bodies by	
Other receipts:—		Tung Wah Hospital 3,430.87	
Premium on notes and		Coffins for bodies buried	
discount on goods		by Tung Wah Hos-	
purchased \$ 616.15		pital 8,805.93	
Sale of medicines, kit-		Burial of bodies by	
chen refuse, coffin		Government Mortu-	
home charges, boat-		ary 2,019.65	
hire and sundries .. 25,652.64		Coffins for bodies buried	
Fee from Patients 4,793.58	31,062.37	by Government ... 6,643.07	
		Interest on Deposits ... 5,375.11	
			28,987.95
		<i>Extraordinary.</i>	
		Cost of building work 14,153.22	
		Balance 93,182.55	
	\$298,774.11		\$298,774.11

Table X.

Emergency Fund Account, 1926.

Receipts.	Amount.	Payments.	Amount.
	\$ c.		\$ c.
Balance from account 1925.....	59,562.90	Gratuity to destitutes,	2,277.50
Interest and Subscriptions	1,856.54	Passage money for destitutes,	1,010.00
		Launch hire round the harbour &c. to save lives during the storm,	206.10
		Balance,	57,925.84
Total,.....	61,419.44	Total,.....	61,419.44

Table XI.

Man Mo Temple Fund Account, 1926.

Receipts.	Amount. \$ *	Payments.	Amount. \$ *
Balance from account 1925,	51,882	Subscription to Tung Wah Hospital,	2,500
Rent of stalls and Temple property,	12,179	Free Schools and sundries,	10,371
Rent from Temple keeper,	5,083	Repairs to Temple property, free schools, and the Man Mo Temple,	707
Government Grant in Aid of free schools,	4,620	Police, Rates, Crown Rent, and Insurance Premium,	1,566
Interest,	1,245	Water accounts and repair to water pipes, ...	186
Refund of Crown Rent,	14	Celebration of the birthdays of the gods by the street Committee,	250
		Advertisement,	74
		Compensation to temple keeper for loss on account of strike,	250
		Balance,	59,118
Total,	\$ 75,024.26	Total,	\$ 75,024.26

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

Table XII.

Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Western Maternity Hospital, 1926.

Receipts.	Amount. \$ *	Expenditure.	Amount. \$ *
Balance from 1925,	1,309	Rent of hospital property handed over to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, ...	3,200
Rent of Hospital Property,	3,984	Police, Rate, Crown Rent, & Insurance Premium,	497
Interest,	31	Repairs to Hospital Property,	31
		Balance,	1,595
Total,	5,235.37	Total,	5,325.37

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

Table XII A.

WESTERN MATERNITY HOSPITAL.

Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st. December, 1926.

Receipts.	\$	c	\$	c	Expenditure.	\$	c
To Balance			817.73		By Salary	3,677.67	
Subscriptions	839.05				Drugs	1,175.25	
Donation from:—					Furniture	669.38	
Chinese Public Dispensaries		5,000.00			Gas & Electricity	772.88	
Chinese Recreation Ground		1,200.00			Repairs & fitting	2,026.10	
Rent of houses purchased with Tung Wah Hospital Jubilee Donation		3,200.00			Stationery & printing	69.40	
					Clothing	64.70	
					Bedding	65.60	
					Food for patients, pupils & midwives in the Hospital	2,644.23	
			10,239.05		Instruments	37.45	
Fees paid by patients in the Hospital					Fees for District Watchmen on duty at the door	540.00	
Money paid by pupils in the Hospital for their food			4,075.40		Crown Rent	1.00	
Fees paid by patients who had venereal diseases.			915.00		Water Account	225.00	
Interest.			16.00		Miscellaneous	1,966.69	
			20.77		Absconded by D. W. 64 Lam Pui	59.70	
Total			16,083.95				13,995.05
					Balance with Colonial Treasury		2,088.90
					Total		16,083.95

Table XIII.

Revenue and Expenditure of the Brewin Charity during the year 1926.

Revenue.	Amount.	Expenditure.	Amount.
	\$ c.		\$ c.
To Balance from 1925	157,943.37	By Charity for widows and orphans	6,680.80
„ Subscriptions from Directors Tung Wah Hospital	2,500.00	„ Subscription to Old Men's Home	1,800.00
„ Subscriptions from Committee, Po Leung Kuk	1,180.00	„ Salary for Accountant Mr. Chan Yik Wan	100.00
„ Subscriptions from "Chap Sin She"	33.00	„ Salary for Clerk Mr. Wong Shut Ming	60.00
„ Interest from Mr. Chiu Cheuk U for mortgage	4,320.00	„ Stamps	2.40
„ Interest from Mr. Lau Kwai Nam and others for mortgage	2,640.00	„ Conveyance expenses for collecting interest, &c.	11.70
„ Interest from Mr. Yan Leung Kang and others for mortgage	3,840.00	„ Printed matters by the Wing Fat	15.00
„ Interest from Mr. Kan Lu Cho for mortgage	1,536.00	„ Refund of gratuity of Chan Ma Kan... ..	750.00
„ Interest on fixed deposit of Wong Fung Sze with Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank	49.38	„ Refund to Mok Wai Yung through Po Leung Kuk	80.00
„ Interest on War Bonds of Singapore ..	308.56	„ <i>Balance</i>	165,603.43
„ Interest on War Bonds from Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank	360.00		
„ Interest on Current Account with Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank	243.02		
„ Temporary deposit of Yeung Yee	150.00		
TOTAL \$	175,103.33	TOTAL \$	175,103.33

By fixed deposit with Mr. Chiu Cheuk U on mortgage of six houses in Temple Street	\$ 48,000.00
„ fixed deposit with Lau Kwai Nam and others on mortgage of four houses in Temple Street	24,000.00
„ fixed deposit with Mr. Yan Leung Kang and others on mortgage of house property in Connaught Rd. W.	40,000.00
„ fixed deposit with Mr. Kan Lu Cho on mortgage of house property in Wanchai Road	16,000.00
„ fixed deposit with Mr. Chak Yuk Tong on mortgage of house property in Queen's Road West	20,000.00
„ War Bonds of Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank	6,000.00
„ War Bonds of Singapore Government..	5,000.00
„ fixed deposit and interest of Wong Fung Sze with Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank	1,146.63
„ Current Account deposits with Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank	4,860.55
„ deposit and interest of Sat A Li with Wing Hing Bank	320.10
„ deposit with Tung Wah Hospital	276.15
TOTAL	\$165,603.43

Examined and found correct,
TAM WUN TONG,

NG U CHAM,
Directors.

Table XIV.

Number of Patients under treatment and other statistics concerning the
Kwong Wah Hospital during the year 1926.

Patients.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1925.			Admitted.			Total Number of patients under treatment.	Discharged.	Deaths.	Remaining in Hospital on 31st December, 1926.	Out-patients.			Vaccinations.	Dead bodies brought to Hospital Mortuary for burial.	Destitutes sent home.
	Chinese Treatment.	European Treatment.	Total.	Chinese Treatment.	European Treatment.	Total.					Chinese Treatment.	European Treatment.	Total.			
Male,	1,111	2,211	3,322	3,459	2,333	1,001	125	33,178	17,572	50,750	...	257	...	...
Female,	289	2,527	2,816	2,877	2,261	548	68	33,905	15,074	48,979	...	144	...	...
Total,	1,400	4,738	6,138	6,336	4,594	1,549	193	67,083	32,646	99,729	...	401	...	...
Total for 1925,	1,887	4,808	6,695	6,862	4,906	1,758	198	46,568	27,689	74,257	...	589	...	...

Table XV.

KWONG WAH HOSPITAL,
Cash Account 1926.

Receipts.	Amount.	Payments.	Amount.
	\$ c.		\$ c.
Balance brought forward from previous year,	7,002 91	Current account with Tung Wah Hospital,	54,853.00
Government Grant,	8,500.00	Salaries to Hospital staff,	16,749.70
" Special Donation,...	25,000.00	Provisions for staff,	5,907.95
Subscription from Tung Wah Hospital, for giving free coffins,	2,000.00	Hospital sundries,	1,185.14
Current account with Tung Wah Hospital,	47,800.00	Provisions for patients,	13,889.12
Subscriptions from charitable persons and yearly subscriptions,	13,524.80	Sick room expenses,	5,353.94
Subscriptions by Ko Shing, Tai Ping and Li Yuen Theatres,...	5,000.00	Charcoal,	966.94
Donations from A Fong and Tai Wo Photographers,	600.00	Chinese drugs,	12,095.02
Donation from Old Yaumati Chinese Public Dispensary, ..	6,677.00	Western drugs,	2,535.72
Donation from Po Hing Theatre	330.00	Lights,	2,709.80
Sale of Chinese Medicines,	534.08	Telephone Rent,	196.68
Premium on notes,	185.47	Stationery, stamps, and advertisements,	1,841.40
Sale of kitchen refuse,	387.69	Water,	62.15
Payments by in-patients and drugs	4,440.60	Discount on notes,	2.28
Special subscriptions :—		Furniture and Repairs,	2,040.88
By Subscriptions from charitable persons for free drugs,	\$1,600.00	Building Contract,	3,629.17
" Interest on Subscriptions for free drugs,	12,322.00	Coffins,	5,127.01
	13,922.00	Burial of bodies from Hospital Mortuary,	307.70
		Burial of bodies from Yaumati Public Mortuary,	459.65
		Old Men's Asylum	7.00
		Grave stones,	292.80
		Cumsha to coolies, sale of refuse, &c.,	248.23
		Crown Rent	1.00
		BALANCE,	5,942.27
Grand Total,	\$ 135,904.55	Grand Total,	\$ 135,904.55

Table XV-(A).

KWONG WAH HOSPITAL.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 1926.

INCOME.			EXPENDITURE.	
To Balance from last Year's account ...	\$ 4,586.07		By Repayment to Tung Wah Hospital ...	\$15,986.34
To Free Chinese Drugs Special Fund	13,922.00		„ Loan to Sick Room Extension	
To Loan From Tung Wah Hospital	9,433.34		Special Fund	1,212.33
A Ordinary:—			A Maintenance:—	
Government Grant	\$ 8,500.00	8,500.00	PROVISIONS:—	
			Staff	\$ 5,907.95
SUBSCRIPTIONS:—			Patients	13,889.12
Tung Wah Hospital for				19,797.07
free coffins	\$ 2,000.00		DISPENSARY:—	
Charitable persons	13,524.80	15,524.80	Chinese Drugs	\$ 12,095.02
			Western Drugs	2,535.72
				14,630.74
ENTERTAINMENTS:—			ESTABLISHMENT:—	
Ko Shing, Tai Ping &			Lights	\$ 2,709.80
Li Yuen Theatres .	\$ 5,000.00		Furniture & repairs	2,040.88
Po Hing Theatre	330.00	5,330.00	Sick Room Expenses ...	5,353.94
			Charcoal	966.94
DONATIONS:—			Telephone Rent	196.68
A. Fong & Tai Wo Pho-			Water	62.15
tographers	\$ 600.00		Sundries	1,433.37
Old Yaumati Public			Crown Rent	1.00
Dispensary	6,677.00	7,277.00		12,764.76
			SALARIES:—	
PATIENTS PAYMENTS:—			Hospital Staff	\$ 16,749.70
In and out patients	\$ 4,440.60	4,974.68		16,749.70
Chinese drugs	534.08		MISCELLANEOUS:—	
			Stationery, Stamps and	
OTHER RECEIPTS:—			Advertisements	\$ 1,841.40
Premium on notes	\$ 185.47		Discount on notes	2.28
Sale of Kitchen refuse			Coffins	5,127.01
&c.	387.69	573.16	Burial of Bodies	307.70
			Burial of Bodies from	
Extraordinary:—			Yaumati	459.65
DONATIONS:—			Old Men's Asylum ...	7.00
Government Special			Grave Stone	292.80
Donation	\$ 25,000.00	25,000.00		8,037.84
			BALANCE	5,942.27
				\$95,121.05
		\$95,121.05		

Examined and found correct
CHAU YUT-U,
Qualified Auditor.

Table XV—(B)

FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE KWONG WAH HOSPITAL.

Amount left deposited in Tung Wah Hospital at end of 1925.....	\$129,181.90	
Less amount overdrawn by Hospital General Fund for year 1925 ...	15,986.34	
		<u>\$113,195.56</u>
Amount of Interest on Chinese Drug Special Fund for the year 1926 col- lected by Tung Wah Hospital.....		12,322.00
Amount paid into Tung Wah Hospital on current account in 1926		54,353.00
Amount overdrawn from Tung Wah Hospital in respect of Hospital General Fund.....		9,433.34
		<u>189,303.90</u>
Amount received from Tung Wah Hospital on current account in 1926.....	47,800.00	
Amount of Interest received from Tung Wah Hospital for the year 1926...	12,322.00	
		<u>60,122.00</u>
Amount left deposited in Tung Wah Hospital at end of 1926 in respect of Chinese Drug Special Fund		\$129,181.90
Amount owing to Tung Wah Hospital by Hospital General Fund.....		9,433.34
		<u>\$119,748.56</u>
Cash in hand at end of 1926.....		5,942.27
		<u>\$125,690.83</u>

Funds Classified :—

Chinese Drugs	\$129,181.90
Amount at credit in Income and Expenditure account	5,942.27
	<u>135,124.17</u>
Less amount owing to Tung Wah Hospital by Hospital General Fund.....	9,433.34
	<u>\$125,690.83</u>

See particulars below :—

KWONG WAH HOSPITAL

IN ACCOUNT WITH SICK ROOM EXTENSION SPECIAL FUND.

To Balance of last year's account...	\$2,416.84	By amount paid for extension of	\$3,629.17
" Loan from Hospital General Fund	1,212.33	sick room.....	
	\$3,629.17		\$3,629.17

KWONG WAH HOSPITAL

IN ACCOUNT WITH FREE CHINESE DRUGS SPECIAL FUND.

To Balance of last year's account...	\$129,181.90	By amount appropriated to the	
" Yearly Subscriptions from char- itable persons for free drugs ...	1,600.00	Hospital General Fund	\$13,922.00
" Interest	12,322.00	" Balance	129,181.90
	\$143,103.90		\$143,103.90

Table XVI.

Summary of work done by the Chinese Public Dispensaries : Victoria,
Harbour, Shaukiwan, and Kowloon Peninsula

Description.	Total.	Grand Total 1926.	Grand Total 1925.
New Cases,.....	77,732	...	...
Return Cases,	61,737	...	...
Total,.....	—————	139,469	155,571
Certificates of nature of disease issued, .....	...	1	...
,, ,, cause of death,.....	...	340	425
Patients removed to hospital by ambulance,...	...	270	409
Corpses removed to hospital or mortuary,.....	...	745	1,064
Attendances at cleansing of infected premises,	...	85	29
Compensation claims sent in, .....	...	...	...
Applications received for coffins, .....	...	353	470
,, for midwives, .....	...	...	...
Confinement cases in Maternity Hospital,.....	...	778	858
Infants brought to Dispensaries, (alive), .....	...	...	...
,, ,, (dead),.....	1,015	...	...
Total,.....	—————	1,015	1,213
Vaccinations at private houses,	37	...	...
,, Dispensaries,	11,305	..	...
Total,.....	—————	11,342	10,489

Table XVII.

CHINESE PUBLIC DISPENSARIES.
Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

Receipts.	\$	c.*	\$	c.*	Expenditure.	\$	c.*	\$	c.*
To Balance,			85,758.76		By Maintenances of Dispensaries:—			25,971.75	
" Grant by Government,			9,000		Victoria,			6,496.91	
" Donations from:—					Harbour and Yaumati,			7,228.06	
Tai Ping Theatre,	1,050				Shaukiwan,			4,625.15	
San Theatre,	600				Kowloon City,			44,821.87	
Ko Shing Theatre,	300				Subscription in aid of the Fund of			5,000	
Tam Kung Temple, Aberdeen,	100				Maternity Hospital, Western,				
" Subscriptions, Land,	17,944.15				Balance in Colonial Treasury:—				
" Harbour,	10,901.40				On Hong Kong Government 6%			51,000	
" Shaukiwan,	1,622.80				War Loan,			32,302.50	
" Kowloon City,	759.50				In Cash,				
" Fees from Maternity Hospital in			33,277.85		Advance to:—				
Chinese Public Dispensary at Wan-					Dispensaries Clerks,			120.00	
chai,					Alice Memorial Hospital for			500.00	
" Interest,			1,610.40		purchase of drugs,				
" Interest on Hong Kong Government			537.36		Total,			83,922.50	
6% War Loan,			3,060.00						
" Total,			183,244	37				183,244	37

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

E. R. HALLIFAX,
Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Table XVIII.

Hunghom and Shamshuipo Dispensaries.

Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

Description.	Hung-	Sham-
	hom.	shuipo.
	\$ c.*	\$ c.*
Receipts :—		
Balance,	3,643.73	3,597.62
Subscriptions, etc.,	2,471.73	10.00
Donation from :—		
Kun Yam Temple,	600.00	...
Po Hing Theatre,	253.00	...
Scavenging Contractor at Hunghom,.....	630.00	...
Rent from the eight houses at Shamshuipo ...	...	785.98
Grant by Hong Kong Government, .....	...	3,000.00
Rent from Temple Keepers of Sam Tai Tsz, Tin Hau and Pak Tai Temples .....	...	87.65
Donation from Mr. Li Ping towards the Fund of Shamshuipo Dispensary for erection of eight houses at Shamshuipo .....	...	377.50
Total	7,598.46	7,858.75
Expenditure :—		
Through Secretariat for Chinese Affairs,	2,142.00	3,620.00
Through Local Committee	3,608.76	2,710.79
Total	5,750.76	6,330.79
Balance :—		
At Colonial Treasury	430.77	1,527.96
With Local Committee	1,416.93	...
Total	1,847.70	1,527.96

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

Chung Iu-shan, Chairman, Hunghom C.P.D.
 Tsang Ping Shan, Accountant, " "
 Wong Iu-tung, Vice Chairman, Shamshuipo C.P.D.
 Au To-nam, Accountant, Shamshuipo C.P.D.

Table XIX.

Deaths of Chinese in Hong Kong and Kowloon during 1926 showing number in which the cause of death was duly certified and number in which a post-mortem examination was held.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Number of deaths.	Number certified.	Number uncertified.	Percentage of 3 to 2.	Number examined after death and not sent to mortuary.	Percentage of 6 to 2.	Number sent to mortuary.	Percentage of 8 to 2.
Victoria,	7,531	4,203	3,328	55.8	571	7.6	2,757	36.6
Harbour,	730	428	302	58.6	63	8.6	239	32.7
Kowloon,	3,606	1,767	1,839	49.0	219	6.1	1,620	44.9
Shaokwan,	328	190	138	57.9	54	10.4	84	25.6
Other Villages in Hong Kong,	141	5	136	3.5	50	35.5	86	60.9
Total,	12,336	6,593	5,743	53.4	957	7.7	4,786	38.7

Table XX.

Monthly Return of Bodies of Chinese considered by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to have been abandoned during the year 1926.

Month.	Victoria.			Harbour.	Kowloon.	Hong Kong outside Victoria.	New Territories.	Total.	Grand Total.
	West.	Central.	East.							Total.
January,	6	4	9	6	61	7	...	74	93
February,	1	8	9	3	42	7	...	52	70
March,	2	2	6	8	42	8	...	58	69
April,	5	10	11	11	48	6	...	65	81
May,	5	10	10	8	52	3	...	63	88
June,	6	6	5	6	54	3	...	63	80
July,	1	7	7	16	62	3	...	81	96
August,	7	3	8	4	74	9	...	87	105
September,	6	5	6	8	52	8	...	68	85
October,	16	6	14	6	43	6	...	53	89
November,	5	6	8	4	55	3	...	62	81
December,	12	5	11	10	35	8	...	57	86
Grand Total,	74	72	124	90	724	69	...	783	1,033 *
Total for 1925, ...	81	73	129	103	654	73	...	831	1,114 †

* In 1926, of 1,033 none was taken to Chinese Public Dispensaries.

† In 1925, of 1,114 none was taken to Chinese Public Dispensaries.

Table XXI.

Return of Bodies abandoned during the years 1924, 1925 and 1926.

(Figures supplied by the Police Department.)

1924.

	Male.		Female.		Unknown.		Total.
	Over 15 years.	15 years and under.	Over 15 years.	15 years and under.	Over 15 years.	15 years and under.	
Victoria,	22	295	1	253	...	1	572
Kowloon,	17	424	11	322	...	4	778
Harbour,	39	68	9	88	...	...	204
Elsewhere,	2	64	...	52	...	1	119
Total,	80	851	21	517	...	6	1,673

1925.

Victoria,	1	142	...	129	...	...	272
Kowloon,	8	367	1	269	...	3	648
Harbour,	24	51	8	30	...	...	113
Elsewhere, .....	...	50	...	32	...	...	82
Total,	33	610	9	460	...	3	1,115

1926.

Victoria,	11	136	1	79	...	...	227
Kowloon,	28	326	1	281	...	1	637
Harbour,	25	43	10	20	...	...	98
Elsewhere,	12	35	1	23	...	...	71
Total,	76	540	13	403	...	1	1,033

Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Chinese Permanent Cemetery for 1926.

Receipts.	Amount. \$ c.	Payments.	Amount. \$ c.
To Balance,		By Rent of telephone,	180.00
" Interest from Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank,	37,123.92	" Repairs to roads, and embankment etc. by Yeung Tam-kee,	6,500.00
" " Tai San Bank,	164.08	" Wages for Ma Shu-hoi & gardeners,	1,480.20
" " War Bonds,	893.00	" Printed matters by the Shing Fat,	3.00
" Sale of 187 lots,	480.00	" Manure, bamboo brooms, scythes etc.,	71.82
" Stone Embankment,	10,360.00	" Stamps,	11.00
" Wages from Dr. S. W. Tso for refilling vaults,	2,805.00	" Rates for getting water from river,	1.00
" Sale to Mr. Lo Chung Kui of remaining portion of the lot under the character of "Fat"	230.00	" Crown Rent,	1.00
	279.41	" Wages for Pun Yan Chin & Chau Wan Kok,	1.50
		" Account books from Kwong Fuk Hing,	480.00
		" Printed matters by the Kwok Wah Printing Company,	1.22
		" Repairs to wooden gate by Chan Sang,	21.30
		" Printed matters by Der A. Wing & Co.,	10.00
		" Balance,	17.00
Total,	\$ 52,335.41	Total,	\$ 43,556.37

By deposits with Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank,	\$2,204.93
" " Tai San Bank,	13,000.00
" War Bonds,	8,000.00
" Fixed deposit on mortgage of a house in Babington Path	20,000.00
" Cash,	351.44
	\$43,556.37

S. W. TSO, Secretary,

CHAU SIU KI, Treasurer.

Examined and found correct

L. I. PO KWAI,

Table XXIII.
CHINESE RECREATION GROUND.
Receipts and Expenditure, 1926.

Receipts.	\$ c.*	Payments.	\$ c.*
To Balance,.....		By Wages of Watchmen, etc,.....	894.00
„ Rent of Stalls,	3,674.46	Water Account,.....	198.75
	3,268.80	Consumption of Gas,	270.00
		Subscription to Western Maternity Hospital,	1,200.00
		Lime Washing,.....	90.00
		Furniture and repairs,	189.75
		Miscellaneous,	26.32
		Balance,	4,074.44
Total,.....\$	6,943.26	Total,.....	6,943.26

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

Table XXIV.

Statement of Accounts of Passage Money Fund, 1926.

Receipts.	\$ c.*	Payments.	\$ c.*
To Balance on Fixed Deposit,	\$4,250	By Gifts to 7 women on being married,	14
" " in Colonial Treasury,	2,853	" Annual Charitable Allowances to two persons,	72
Passage Money received,	\$ 199	" Subscription to Alice Memorial Hospital, ...	50
Less Refund,	58	" Eyre Diocesan Refuge,	170
" Property of Hab Saü, deceased		" Hawker's and Boat Licences to destitute persons,	43
" Miscellaneous Receipts,		" Gifts in aid of repatriation of emigrants,	84
" Interest on Fixed Deposit,	\$ 170	" Balance on Fixed Deposit,	4,250
" " on money deposited in Treasury,	78	" " in Colonial Treasury,	2,864
	248		7,114
Total,	\$ 7,548.86	Total,	\$ 7,548.86

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

E. R. HALLIFAX,
Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Table XXV.

Prosecutions under Ordinances No. 3 of 1888, No. 30 of 1915, and No. 4 of 1897.

Offence.	No. of Cases.	Convicted.		Discharged.		Remarks.
		Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
Ordinance No. 3 of 1888.						
Bills,—Posting without permission, .....	...	...	...	...	...
Fireworks,—Discharged without permission,	143	130	1	12	...	
Drums and Gongs,—Night noises by beating, .....	...	...	...	...	...
Processions,—Organising in the public streets without permission, .....	...	...	...	...	...
Householders' Registration,—Failing to register, .....	...	...	...	...	...
Ordinance No. 30 of 1915.						
Decoying men or boys into or out of the Colony,	1	1	...	...	...
Emigration House offences,	1	...	...	1	...	
Personating emigrants, .....	...	...	...	...	...
Sending assisted emigrants out of the Colony without notifying the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, .....	...	...	...	...	...
Ordinance No. 4 of 1897.						
Abduction of girls under 21,	4	3	2	1	...	
Decoying women and girls into or away from the Colony, .....	...	...	...	3	...	
Detaining, harbouring, or receiving women or girls,	4	1	...	...	...
Procuring women or girls to be common prostitutes, .....	...	...	...	...	...
Procuring girls under age to have carnal connection,	1	...	...	1	...	
Deriving profits from prostitution and trading in women,	50	3	48	...	1	

ANNEXE A.

Report on the work of the Po Leung Kuk for the year 1926.

The Po Leung Kuk Society was founded in 1878 to aid in the detection and suppression of kidnapping, especially of girls and women, and to shelter such girls or women as had been kidnapped in the interior and brought to Hong Kong for sale or emigration. Its name means "institution for the protection of good women". The initiative in its formation came from the Chinese themselves, and ever since by subscription and personal service, they have continued to support it.

There is a paid Chinese staff-matron, amahs and nurses, and two clerks who are secretaries to the managing committee. This Committee meets every evening from Monday to Friday at 7 p.m. the principal meeting of the week being held at 12 noon on Sunday. It not only manages the Po Leung Kuk, but acts as an advisory committee to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, in all cases affecting women and children, and Chinese family life generally, which are often extremely difficult and tedious. It corresponds when necessary with charitable institutions and private persons in various parts of China, traces parents of lost children or ill-treated mui tsai, and shelters for the night any Chinese woman or girl who chooses to go. When parents or relations cannot be traced, the Committee arranges for the girls in its care to be given in marriage (never as concubines) or in adoption, always under bond and always with the consent of this office; and in every case this office ascertains the girl's willingness before giving consent to either adoption or marriage.

In addition to the annual Committee appointed by co-option there is a Permanent Committee, which serves to maintain continuity of policy, and of which the Secretary for Chinese Affairs is the ex-officio chairman.

The following gentlemen were elected in March to serve as Managing Committee for the year:—

Wong Ping-suen,	Chau Tsun-nin,
Au Shiu-cho,	Kong Siu-lui,
Leung Pat-yu,	Ho Cho-wan,
Yu Cheuk-sang,	So Shau-nam,
Kwan Yik-chi,	Ng Yu-hon,
Li Shiu-ching,	Chan Shiu-hing.

The number of inmates of the Po Leung Kuk on 1st. January, 1926 was 61 and during the year 299 persons were admitted as against 259 in 1925. The circumstances of admission and the action taken in regard to them are set out in Table A.

24 women and girls were admitted under warrant and 217 were admitted without warrant. Of the remainder 15 were lost children, 4 were accompanied by parents or guardians, and 39 were maid-servants or "mui tsai" who had left their masters or mistresses.

On leaving the Kuk 146 women and girls were restored to husbands or other relatives, 21 were sent to charitable institutions in China, 11 were given in adoption, 4 married, 75 released (6 released under bond), 4 sent to Convent or Refuge and 1 died. The number of inmates remaining in the Kuk on December 31st. was 45.

The income and expenditure during the year and the assets and liabilities of the institution are set out in Tables B and C attached.

The accounts of the Managing Committee in the customary form have been audited by Messrs. Chau Tsun-nin and Yu Yat-u. The balance to the credit of the Society at the end of the year was \$27,645 as compared with \$7,082 at the end of 1925 (v. Table B).

The institution was visited monthly by Justices of the Peace, Messrs. A. G. Coppin and Dr. S. W. Tso who on no occasion found cause for adverse comment.

The matron reports favourably on the conduct, health and industry of the inmates during the year. There were 80 cases of sickness of which 67 were sent to the Tung Wah Hospital for treatment and of these 3 died.

Lady Shou-son Chow and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, (the wives of the two Chinese Members of the Legislative Council) continued to undertake the duty of regular monthly visits of inspection during the year.

E. R. HALLIFAX,
Secretary for Chinese Affairs.
President.

We, Chau Tsun Nin and Yu Yat U, members of the Board of Direction of the Po Leung Kuk Incorporated Society do solemnly and sincerely declare that the attached statements of assets and Liabilities of above Society on the 31st. December, 1926, marked "A" and signed with our names on the 7th March 1927 is a true statement, and we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of "The Statutory Declarations Act 1835".

YU YAT YUE,
T. N. CHAU.

Declared by the declarants Chau Tsun Nin and Yu Yat U at Victoria, Hong Kong, the 7th March 1927, through the interpretation of Luk Yam Ko of Hong Kong the said Luk Yam Ko having also first declared that he had truly, distinctly and audibly interpreted the contents of this document to the said declarants and that he would faithfully interpret the contents of this document to the said declarants and that he would faithfully interpret the declaration about to be administered unto them.

Before me,

R. A. C. NORTH,
Justice of Peace.

You do solemnly and sincerely declare that you understand the English and Chinese languages, and that you have truly and audibly interpreted the contents of this document to the declarants Chau Tsun Nin and Yu Yat U, and that you will truly and faithfully interpret the declaration about to be administered to them.

Declared at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Hong Kong.
This 7th March 1927.

Before me,

LUK YAM KO.

E. R. HALLIFAX,
Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Statement "A" of Assets and Liabilities of the Po Leung Kuk Incorporated Society on the 31st. December, 1926.

	Assets.	Liabilities.
Deposited with the Tai San and Yik On banks	\$27,645.37	Nil.
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	\$27,645.37	
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This is the statement "A" referred to in the Declaration of Chau Tsun Nin and Yu Yat U declared before me this 7th day of March 1927.

R. A. C. NORTH,
Justice of Peace.

Table B.

PO LEUNG KUK.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure from 1st January to 31st December, 1926.

RECEIPTS.	\$	c.*	\$	c.*	EXPENDITURE.	\$	c.*	\$	c.*
Balance from previous year,			7,082		By the Elected Committee:—				
Money on Mortgage refunded by Mr. Lai Tsz Hok,			22,000		(see Table C),			10,470	
Subscriptions:—					Balance:—				
Elected Committee,					On Deposit,	24,000			
Yue Lan Celebrations, West Point,		300			At Current Account,	3,645		27,645	
Guilds,		60							
Man Mo Temple,		5,960							
Theatres,		140							
		1,250							
Interest:—			7,710						
On Deposit,		1,122							
On Current Account,		200							
			1,322						
Total,			38,115.37		Total,			38,115.37	

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

Certified by the Statutory Declaration of Chan Tin Shan and Yue Yat U, Members of the Board of Direction.

Table C.

Statement showing particulars of Expenditure by the Elected Committee from
1st January to 31st December, 1926.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
₹	c.*	₹	c.*
Balance from previous year,	19	Decorations,	273
Received from Permanent Board,	10,470	Food,	3,348
Miscellaneous Receipts,	51	Light and Fire,	1,134
Premium on bank notes,	33	Miscellaneous,	286
		Passage Money,	255
		Petty Expenditure,	326
		Printing,	145
		Repairs,	244
		Stationery,	203
		Telephone,	108
		Insurance,	137
		Wages,	4,100
		Balance,	10,562
			12
Total,.....₹	10,574.64	Total,.....	₹ 10,574.64

* Cents omitted except in the totals.

ANNEXE B.

Report of Assistant Medical Officer for Native Hospitals.

I began work on October the 6th. 1923 and spent the first few weeks in visiting the eight Chinese Public Dispensaries and the two Maternity Hospitals in Western Street and Wanchai.

THE DISPENSARIES.

Several of the dispensaries needed a good deal of cleaning and tidying up. The bottles needed new labels and rearranging and a few items of equipment were necessary. The premises in the Central and Shaukiwan Districts are poor, but in the latter place we have hopes of a better building in the future to meet the needs of a growing population. I was struck by the very large amount of most useful work that the dispensaries are doing. After the Chinese New Year holidays in 1924 I started seeing women, who specially desire to see a woman doctor, one day a week, at each dispensary. This seems to meet a need, and at several places I am obliged to limit the numbers seen. The following are the figures seen during 1926:

Shamshuipo Dispensary	219
Hunghom ,,	441
Yaumati ,,	1,079
Shaukiwan ,,	823
Wanchai ,,	780
Central ,,	474
Tsan Yuk Hospital	983
Kwong Wah Hospital (since April)	411
Total number of patients seen	<u>5,210</u>

At the Tsan Yuk Hospital patients who wish to be seen without waiting or on any day other than the regular out-patient day pay a fee of \$3.00 to the Hospital. There were 105 of these patients last year.

THE KWONG WAH HOSPITAL.

I began visiting the Kwong Wah in November 1923. The midwife in charge of the Maternity Ward resigned at the end of the month, and the Hospital was fortunate in obtaining the service of Sin Sz Ku, a very capable and energetic nurse. She was put in charge of all the women's work, and carried out many improvements. The maternity cases were moved to a

large ward with eighteen beds and a new labour ward made. Lockers were provided for all patients and cots in the Maternity Ward. The wearing of hospital clothing by patients and babies was made compulsory, and all pots under the beds were forbidden. The number of probationers was increased to ten, each large ward having three on duty while two serve the smaller ward and two are on night duty. We were fortunate in getting the Steam Laundry to undertake the Hospital Washing and the resulting whiteness of clothing and bedding is a most pleasing change. The House Surgeons are expected to teach the probationers and I take a weekly class. I have taken courses on Anatomy and Physiology, Nursing, surgical and medical, and on Midwifery. The course of training lasts three years and before leaving all the nurses have been examined in nursing by Mrs. Minnett, M.D., and have passed the Midwives Board Examination. Sin Sz Ku left after a year's hard work and her place was taken by Pun Sam Ku, who has maintained her high standard. The beds are nearly always full, especially those under Western treatment and extra beds on the verandah are in use all the time. The maternity cases last year numbered 1,547 and more accommodation is urgently needed. Patients have frequently to sleep two in a bed. On the men's side the standard of cleanliness is much lower. The "nursing" is done by untrained coolies and the temperatures taken and dressings done, by the dressers. These men need daily constant supervision, which I am unable to give. Still, the general standard has improved a little. It is only by a daily inspection of bed boards, clothing, latrines and water closets that we can hope to keep the patients and hospital at all clean.

On the opening of the new block for out-patients I started seeing women patients one day a week. The numbers seen during the last few weeks have quietly increased.

WAN CHAI HOSPITAL.

We are fortunate in having a resident doctor who is keen and capable and very little has been needed of me. The two midwives have been at the hospital since it opened and do their work faithfully. They help in the daily dispensary with the dressings and one helps me every week at my out-patients. I have inspected the hospital twice a week, and always find it clean and tidy. The numbers in hospital last year were 773.

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

I started visiting the Tung Wah Hospital in August 1924. The widow in charge of the Maternity Ward resigned and two very capable nurses were appointed. They have done much to improve the ward and the standard of work in this department is as high as any in the Colony. The numbers for last year were 1,169.

The nursing in the five women's wards was in the hands of amahs and a partially trained woman, with the result that the patients did very much as they liked as regard food and clothing and many were very dirty. In April 1926 the directors agreed to appoint two trained nurses for the two wards under Western treatments. Nurse Wong who was acting assistant Matron of the Nethersole Hospital was secured and has worked wonders in making the patients comfortable and clean. Her ward is now on a level with the Maternity Ward. She is present at all operations on women patients and all surgical cases are admitted to her ward. We have been less fortunate in the second Western Ward. Two or three nurses came and left at once and the nurse that we have now is not at all up to the standard that we require. The partially trained nurse has taken over the Chinese wards and has done well. The washing of the hospital clothes has been a great problem. The clothing came back from the hospital laundry grey and dirty looking. For a time an improvement was shown when the work was done by the Prison Department but this was not maintained and there were complaints on both sides. The Directors have now enlarged the hospital laundry and we may hope for an improvement.

The nursing of the men presents the same problems here as in the Kwong Wah. In May 1926 the Directors decided to try the experiment of appointing a dozen male nurses. The resident doctors were asked to teach them and I have had a weekly class in general nursing. What is needed more than any number of classes is daily practical teaching in the wards. This I cannot do in the three afternoons which is all I can give to the Hospital. I doubt if any helpless patients are washed except when I do it myself as a demonstration. The installation of the flush system which is now going on will be a very great improvement.

TSAN YUK HOSPITAL.

The Hospital was opened in the middle of October 1923. We were fortunate in securing the services of Miss S. C. Leung as Matron and the success of the hospital is very largely due to her. The nursing staff under her changed several times in the first few months but before the end of the first year our two present sisters came to us and have proved a great help in all departments of the work. During Miss Leung's absence in England during the past year they have carried on the hospital most satisfactorily. We started our training school in the Spring of 1924 with six pupils and in the following year took in six more so that our numbers are now twelve which is all that we can accommodate. A class in English is held every day by a trained teacher, and last year thanks to Mrs. Southorn a number of ladies have taught conversational English three mornings a week, which is already having a marked effect on the speaking of English in the hospital. Miss Leung has taught general nursing and I have taken classes in simple Anatomy and Physiology and Midwifery. Several nurses have already passed the examination of the Midwives Board.

An Infant Welfare Centre started a year after the opening of the hospital, has been maintained since and has done good work in checking minor complaints and helping the mothers who need advice in feeding and looking after their babies. The Mothers' Union very kindly gave \$30.00 for any special needy cases. Last year 374 babies paid 2,303 visits. Each baby is washed and weighed and inspected.

Gynaecology. In October 1925 we furnished a large ward on the second floor and filled up a small theatre and sterilizing room for gynaecological work. Patients needing hospital treatment who are seen at the dispensaries can thus be admitted and treated by ourselves. My most grateful thanks are given to Professor Tottenham for his generous and constant help in this department. I could never have ventured on this work single handed, and it is an immense advantage for the hospital to have his skill and advice available. Last year there were 136 patients admitted to the gynaecological ward, and nearly a hundred operations were performed.

The Midwifery Wards have been fuller than last year and a great effort is made to keep the patients in for a week after confinement. There were 693 patients in the wards and 34 were attended in their own houses. These cases are only attended as emergency cases and we are not anxious to increase our exterior work to any great extent.

Venereal Disease Clinic. A start was made during the year on a small scale and so far 22 women have attended the weekly clinic and 46 injections have been given. I do not feel that we can press this work very much but something was done and we shall move slowly.

Miss Leung was sent for a course of training to the Rotunda Hospital last year and we expect her back in March. Our expectation is that the work will grow in all branches and that she will find full scope for all her knowledge and experience.

My thanks are due to the Committees of the Tung Wah and Kwang Wah Hospitals and the Chinese Public Dispensaries for bearing with me and supporting me on many difficult occasions.

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