

TABLE D.

CASUALTIES in the POLICE FORCE during the Year 1877.

Force.	Deaths.	Resignations through Sickness.	Resignations through Expiry of Service or other Causes.	Dismissals.	Pensioned.	Desertions.	Transferred to other Department.	Total.
Europeans, .....	..	2	12	5	3	1	1	24
Indians, .....	3	5	2	5	18	..	..	33
Chinese, .....	3	9	17	12	8	3	2	54
Total, .....	6	16	31	22	29	4	3	111

C. V. CREAGH,  
Acting Captain Superintendent of Police.

Central Police Station, Hongkong, 15th February, 1878.

## E.

POLICE SCHOOL,  
HONGKONG, 1st February, 1878.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward for your perusal the Report on the Police School for the year ending 31st December, 1877.

2. During the year, the School has been pursuing a quiet course of usefulness. The sad death of Mr. GAIR has been a great loss to the School: his intimate knowledge of Police work, and his excellence as a teacher, made his services especially valuable, and it was a difficult matter to fill his place satisfactorily. Mr. DUGGAN however since his appointment has performed his duties well, and increased experience will make him a very valuable teacher.

3. Mr. CHEUNG-A-LEUNG, who left for a post in the Chinese Mission to Japan, was succeeded by Mr. CHIU-CHI-TSUNG.

4. As a large number of Europeans now possess exemption certificates, and a considerable number have left the Colony on the expiration of their term of service, the attendance has been small, but as only three of the last draft succeeded in passing the examination I expect a larger attendance during 1878. The number of men who presented themselves during the year for examination was 19, of whom 13 passed and the remainder failed. A feature worthy of note in the examinations of this year is that a number of those who passed consisted of men whose education had been neglected in early life, but who are now qualified for promotion, which they could never hope to obtain but for the education received at the school.

5. To make the teaching of the Europeans as practical as possible, I have introduced the Police Regulations as a text book, and have made the writing of Reports a weekly exercise.

6. There have been two examinations of the Indian Constables during the year, one, to test their knowledge of English and Chinese in order to select two intelligent men for Corporalships; the other was the ordinary Annual Examination. The first examination has produced a most satisfactory effect. The fact that a knowledge of English and Chinese led to promotion has caused a greater interest to be taken in these studies by a larger number and accordingly I am able to report a marked progress on the part of the Indians during the year, and at the examination at its close much higher results were obtained, than at the examinations of previous years. I may note that one Indian Corporal passed the European examination.

7. Towards the end of the year the attendance of the Constables was considerably diminished in consequence of ball practice at Kowloon, but this was partly compensated by the attendance of Indian Candidates, who, while waiting for a vacancy in the force, employ their leisure in the study of English and Chinese.

8. I have to make the same Report on the Chinese Constables that has been made in previous years. They make good progress in the time they are allowed to come to school; in some instances more than can be reasonably expected under the circumstances. Still, as long as promotions are made from the ranks to Interpreterships, so long will these men make up by private study for the loss of school time of which the exigencies of the service deprive them. Three Interpreters have been taken from the school, and one English speaking Lokang transferred for service to the Gaol department during the year.

9. In conclusion I beg to throw out the suggestion that the scheme of quarterly examinations be so extended as to comprise promotions to Sergeantships and even to higher positions in the service. Such a scheme would induce many of the more studious men to prosecute their studies after their attendance at school is no longer compulsory. I am sure that if it were understood that a higher grade certificate formed a factor in selection for promotion, a very large number of men would work to obtain it.

The following are the Statistics for the year:—

Nationality.	School days.	Average Attendance.
Europeans, .....	156	4.16
Indians, .....	152	28.07
Chinese, .....	76	115.46

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

ALEXANDER FALCONER,  
Master in Charge.

No. 69.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Financial Returns are published for general information.

By Command,

J. M. PRICE,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th April, 1878.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF THE COLONY OF HONGKONG DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1877.

REVENUE.

	AMOUNT.
	\$ c.
Lard Revenue, .....	28,305.00
Rents, exclusive of Lands, .....	9,450.00
LICENCES:—	8,300.00
Spirit Retailers, .....	47.40
Pawnbrokers, .....	1,600.00
Auctioneers, .....	1,025.00
Tenements for Emigrants, .....	132,000.00
Emigration Brokers, .....	294.00
Billiard Tables and Bowling Alleys, .....	273.00
Optium Monopoly, .....	70.00
Boarding Houses, .....	770.00
Marriages, .....	1,875.00
Chinese Undertakers, .....	310.00
Money Changers, .....	118,488.93
Marine Store Dealers, .....	190,864.58
Spirit Distillers, .....	.....
TAXES:—	.....
Stamps, .....	.....
Police, Lighting, Water, and Fire Brigade Rates, .....	.....
Postage, .....	.....
Fines, Forfeitures, and Fees of Courts:—	.....
Fines, .....	13,594.10
Forfeitures, .....	4,076.86
Fees, .....	3,166.95
FEEs OF OFFICE:—	.....
On Cemetery Burials, .....	792.50
Licences for Junks, &c., .....	19,051.50
Registry of Boats, .....	3,438.76
Do. of Cargo Boats and Crew, .....	2,347.29
Do. of Hawkers, .....	3,165.50
Cargo Boats Certificates, .....	397.00
Registration of Householdors, .....	1,441.25
Do. of Servants, &c., .....	168.50
Official Signatures, .....	78.00
Registration of Deeds, .....	8,153.00
Shipping Seamen, .....	7,338.00
Examination of Masters and Mates, .....	430.00
Ship Surveys, .....	50.00
Colonial Registers, .....	65.00
Merchant Shipping Act, .....	321.00
Registry of Carriages, Chairs, &c., .....	1,539.50
Registration of Companies, .....	546.00
Medical Fees on Examination of Emigrants, .....	11,969.00
Registration of Births, &c., .....	38.00
Light Dues, .....	14,984.33
Licences for Steam Launches, .....	122.50
Official Administrator and Assignee, .....	603.41
Registration of Trade Marks, .....	0.50
Licences of Chinese Passengers Ships, .....	375.00
Sale of Government Property, .....	72,495.54
Reimbursements, .....	2,305.06
Interest, .....	35,343.01
Miscellaneous Receipts, .....	9,802.36
Special Receipts under Ordinance No. 10 of 1867, .....	24,920.18
TOTAL, .....	1,005,312.03

Colonial Treasury, Victoria, Hongkong, 2nd April, 1878.

A. F. ALVES,  
Accountant.

Examined, J. GARDINER AUSTIN,  
Auditor General.

C. C. SMITH,  
Colonial Treasurer.

TOTAL, .....

873,207.86

EXPENDITURE.

	AMOUNT.
	\$ c.
CIVIL DEPARTMENTS:—	.....
Governor, .....	27,666.19
Colonial Secretary, .....	17,737.43
Colonial Treasurer, .....	9,099.50
Auditor General, .....	18,083.56
Clerk of Councils, .....	973.00
Surveyor General, .....	35,114.08
Postmaster General, .....	39,598.21
Registrar General, .....	15,883.42
Harbour Master, .....	32,366.60
Lighthouses, .....	4,614.22
Collector of Stamp Revenue, .....	4,205.37
Judicial Department, .....	44,711.57
Ecclesiastical Department, .....	5,010.11
Educational, .....	19,766.71
Medical, .....	32,381.33
Police Magistrates' do., .....	17,395.64
Police, .....	181,066.28
Gaoi, .....	31,478.14
Fire Brigade, .....	9,694.53
Government Gardens Department, .....	4,150.57
Pensions, Retired Allowances, and Gratuities, .....	13,731.59
Charitable Allowances, .....	5,605.58
Transport, .....	4,291.60
Works and Buildings, .....	83,409.54
Roads, Streets, and Bridges, .....	73,045.43
Lighthouses, .....	663.15
Miscellaneous Services, .....	39,256.37
Military Contribution, .....	101,183.15
Land and Houses Purchased, .....	1,005.00





THE SPECIAL FUND ACCOUNT.

1877.		RECEIPTS.		\$	c.	1877.		PAYMENTS.		\$	c.
July	1	Balance from last Account, .....		380,000	00	July	2	For detection and suppression of Gambling, .....		520	00
"	2	Interest on Fixed Deposits, .....		1,500	00	Aug.	1	do., .....		320	00
October	6	Do. do., .....		1,500	00	Sept.	3	do., .....		320	00
Nov.	13	Do. do., .....		1,500	00	Oct.	1	do., .....		320	00
"	28	Do. do., .....		1,500	00	Nov.	1	do., .....		320	00
Dec.	28	Do. received in England (October 1st), on Fixed Deposits of £29,750 at 5% to 30th June, 1877, £1,088.2.4 at 4/8, .....		5,343	18	Dec.	1	do., .....		320	00
						"	31	Contribution towards Police Expenditure for the quarter ending this day, .....		9,223	18
						"	31	Balance—Fixed Deposits, .....		380,000	00
				\$391,343	18					\$391,343	18

J. GARDINER AUSTIN,  
Auditor General.