

HUNG-HÒM.

	GENERAL PATROL.			10 P.M. TO 4 A.M.			MIDNIGHT TO 6 A.M.		
	1876.	1877.	1878.	1876.	1877.	1878.	1876.	1877.	1878.
Europeans,	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indians, .....	...	...	...	3	3	3	1	1	1

1877 and 1878—6 P.M. to Midnight, 1 Chinese; Midnight to 6 A.M., 1 Chinese.

SHEK-O.

Indian, 1 on Night Patrol.

ABERDEEN.

	6 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT.			MIDNIGHT TO 6 A.M.			10 P.M. TO 4 A.M.			9 P.M. TO 3 A.M.		
	1876.	1877.	1878.	1876.	1877.	1878.	1876.	1877.	1878.	1876.	1877.	1878.
Europeans,	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indians,	2	2	...	2	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...
Chinese, .....	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	3	1	1	1

	1876.	1877.	1878.
TOTAL,			
{ Europeans,	41	31	42
{ Indians,	107	115	106
{ Chinese,	146	144	146

WATER POLICE.

	6 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT.			MIDNIGHT TO 6 A.M.		
	1876.	1877.	1878.	1876.	1877.	1878.
Europeans,	6	6	6	6	6	6
Chinese,	43	44	44	43	44	43

Also each year 2 Europeans and 8 Chinese at Aberdeen and Shau-ki-Wan between 10 P.M. to 4 A.M.

W. M. DEANE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.

11th September, 1878.

Minute by His Excellency the Governor.

1. I return the Police Books—Volumes eleven and twelve, showing the duties for 1876 and 1877—which I have perused, together with the Report of Mr. DEANE and the Returns he was good enough to prepare at my request on the night duties of the Police Force.

2. Those documents confirm the suspicions I entertained that the Police Force in this Colony are

3. They also show that in the most important District the Police Force on regular beats between midnight and six o'clock in the morning has been reduced to 8, in the case of the European Force, from 14 to 8, and in the case of the Chinese Force from about 20 to 15.

4. The Captain Superintendent also says that he has rarely enough men to fill all the beats, and that in such cases he has to order one man to take charge of two beats.

5. Let the night beats and patrols in the Victoria District be at once restored to the maximum strength of 1876; and let the Captain Superintendent prepare for my consideration a revised scheme of night beats and patrols of about thirty-three per cent. greater strength than the maximum I refer to.

6. In future I should like to see weekly returns of the night duties, and to receive a special report before the numbers are altered in any particular district.

J. POPE HENNESSY,
Governor.

27th September, 1878.

No. 188.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified that, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 11 of 1844, Tuesday, the 5th of November next, is fixed for a special Sessions of the Justices of the Peace, to be held at the Police Magistrates' Office, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, for the purpose of considering applications for Licences for the Sale of Spirituous and Fermented Liquors, during the year commencing on 1st December next. It is possible, however, that some alterations may be made in the licensing laws before then, of which due notice will be given.

Applications for such Licences must be lodged at the Police Magistrates' Office, at least Ten days before the Sessions, in the form prescribed in the said Ordinance, and no application will, after that period, be received for submission to the Sessions.

Printed Forms of Application may be obtained by intending applicants at the Police Magistrates' Office, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily.

By Command,

C. MAY,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th Sep

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