

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 84.—Shipping and Trade Returns of Hongkong, for the year 1905.

Trade of the Port of Hongkong for the Year 1905.

	TONS.							Passengers.		Emi- grants.
	No. of Ships.	Dis- charged.	Shipped.	In Transit.	Bunker Coal shipped.	Total.	Registered Tonnage.	Arrived.	Departed.	
British Ocean-going,	3,995	1,952,778	1,221,530	2,335,795	255,801	5,765,904	7,672,324	189,381	103,281	48,289
Foreign Ocean-going,	3,845	1,622,548	909,522	1,079,623	335,733	3,947,426	5,820,785	100,874	84,996	16,052
British River Steamers, ...	7,488	249,449	179,051	...	48,057	476,557	5,554,022	1,284,023	1,249,849	...
Foreign River Steamers,...	975	44,976	33,598	...	9,478	88,052	659,597	65,642	73,688	...
Total,.....	16,303	3,869,751	2,343,701	3,415,418	649,069	10,277,939	19,706,728	1,639,920	1,511,814	64,341
Steam-ships under 60 tons Foreign Trade, ...)	1,800	1,733	2,500	...	2,454	6,687	71,448	7,258	8,161	...
Junks Foreign Trade,	33,475	543,522	665,104	...	...	1,208,626	2,875,440	41,867	45,934	...
Total Foreign Trade, ...	51,578	4,415,006	3,011,305	3,415,418	651,523	11,493,252	22,653,616	1,689,045	1,565,909	64,341
Steam-Launches Local Trade,	* 337,913	...	...	...	* 25,895	* 25,895	* 9,169,312	* 4,058,522	* 3,873,470	...
Junks, Local Trade,.....	63,267	318,937	56,487	...	...	375,424	2,362,163	65,274	71,986	...
Total Local Trade,	401,180	318,937	56,487	...	25,895	401,319	11,531,475	4,123,796	3,945,456	...
Grand Total,.....	452,758	4,733,943	3,067,792	3,415,418	677,418	11,894,571	34,185,091	5,812,841	5,511,365	64,341

* Not including "Star" Ferry Company's craft.

Comparative Shipping Return for the Years 1904 and 1905.

	1904.		1905.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Ships.	Tonnage.	Ships.	Tonnage.	Ships.	Tonnage.	Ships.	Tonnage.
British Ocean- going,	4,318	7,708,734	3,995	7,672,324	...	...	320	36,410
Foreign Ocean- going,	3,696	5,350,847	3,845	5,820,785	149	469,938	...	...
British River Steamers,	5,872	5,697,360	7,488	5,554,022	1,616	...	...	143,338
Foreign River Steamers,.....	1,036	470,371	975	659,597	...	189,226	61	...
S'ships under 60 tons) Foreign Trade,	2,054	105,784	1,800	71,448	...	...	254	34,336
Junks in Foreign Trade,	36,251	3,072,270	33,475	2,875,440	...	...	2,776	196,830
Total,.....	53,227	22,405,366	51,578	22,653,616	1,765	659,164	3,414	410,914
Steamlaunches plying in the Colony,	207,502	8,808,744	337,913	9,169,312	30,411	360,568	...	...
Junks in Local Trade,	* 62,965	* 2,348,676	† 63,267	† 2,362,163	302	13,487	...	...
Grand Total,...	423,694	33,562,786	452,758	34,185,091	32,478	1,033,219	3,414	410,914
NET,.....					29,064	622,305

* Including 32,424 Conservancy and Dust Boats of 1,176,625 tons.

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IMPORTS.

EUROPEAN CONSTRUCTED VESSELS.

	1904.		1905.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.
Steamers,	3,981	6,509,919	3,904	6,712,767	...	202,848	77	...
River Steamers,	3,454	3,085,040	4,229	3,106,725	775	21,685	...	...
Sailing Vessels,	26	32,791	22	43,833	...	11,042	4	...
Total,	7,461	9,627,750	8,155	9,863,325	775	235,575	81	...
			Nett,		694	235,575	...	...
Imported tons,	4,150,639		3,869,751					

As follows :—

Articles.	1904.	1905.	Increase.	Decrease.
Beans,	750	2,113	1,363	.....
Bones,	400	.....	.....	400
Coal,	1,152,454	1,083,987	.....	68,467
Cotton Yarn and Cotton,	19,350	32,949	13,599	.....
Flour,	115,921	54,508	.....	61,413
Hemp,	19,382	26,784	7,402	.....
Kerosine (bulk),	56,965	43,411	.....	13,554
„ (case),	100,692	74,506	.....	26,186
Lead,	3,563	800	.....	2,763
Opium,	2,955	2,983	28	.....
Liquid Fuel,	9,727	850	.....	8,877
Rattan,	5,080	3,430	.....	1,650
Rice,	823,339	566,171	.....	257,168
Sandalwood,	3,300	3,386	86	.....
Sulphur,	187	.....	.....	187
Sugar,	205,696	311,787	106,091	.....
Tea, .....	.....	900	900	.....
Timber,	66,200	66,324	124	.....
General,	1,564,678	1,594,862	30,184	.....
Total,	4,150,639	3,869,751	159,777	440,665
Transit,	3,151,926	3,415,418	263,492	.....
Grand Total, ...	7,302,565	7,285,169	423,269	440,665
		Nett,		17,396

EXPORTS.

	1904.		1905.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.
Steamers,	3,983	6,483,835	3,893	6,694,479	...	210,644	90	...
River Steamers,.....	3,454	3,082,691	4,234	3,106,894	780	24,203	...	...
Sailing Vessels,.....	24	33,036	21	42,030	...	8,994	3	...
Total,	7,461	9,599,562	8,148	9,843,403	780	243,841	93	...
				Nett,.....	687	243,841	...	...
Exported tons,	2,605,861		2,343,701					
	Strs.	Bunker Coal.	Strs.	Bunker Coal.	Strs.	Bunker Coal.	Strs.	Bunker Coal.
Steamers,	3,983	615,208	3,893	591,534	...	...	90	23,674
River Steamers,.....	3,454	49,210	4,234	57,535	780	8,325	...	...
Total,.....	7,437	664,418	8,127	649,069	780	8,325	90	23,674
				Nett,.....	690	...	...	15,349

RIVER TRADE.

Imports, Exports and Passengers.

Year.	Imports.	Exports.	Passengers.
1904,.....	294,216	209,534	2,231,586.
1905,.....	294,425	212,649	2,673,202

PASSENGERS.

	1904.	1905.	Increase.	Decrease.
British Vessels, arrivals ...	197,844	189,381	...	8,463
Do., departures, .	112,741	103,281	...	9,460
Do., emigrants, .	51,390	48,289	...	3,101
Total,.....	361,975	340,951	...	21,024
Nett, .....			...	21,024
Foreign Vessels, arrivals,...	91,352	100,874	9,522	...
Do., departures, .	64,239	84,996	20,757	...
Do., emigrants, .	24,914	16,052	...	7,862
Total,.....	180,505	201,922	30,279	7,862
Nett,			22,417	...
River Steamers, arrival, ...	1,138,591	1,349,665	211,074	...
Do, departures, .	1,092,995	1,323,537	230,542	...
Total,.....	2,231,586	2,673,202	441,616	...
Nett,			441,616	...
Junks, Foreign Trade, } arrivals, ... }	43,192	41,867	...	1,325
Do., departures, .	42,155	45,934	3,779	...
Total,.....	85,347	87,801	3,779	1,325
Nett,			2,454	...
Total Arrivals,	1,470,979	1,689,045	218,066	...
„ Departures,	1,312,130	1,565,909	253,779	...
„ Emigrants,	76,304	64,341	...	11,963
Total,.....	2,859,413	3,319,295	471,845	11,963
Nett,.....			459,882	...

PASSENGERS,—*Continued.*

	1904.	1905.	Increase.	Decrease.
Diff. of Arrivals and Dep.,	158,849	124,136	...	...
Emigrants,.....	76,304	64,311	...	...
Remainder + or —	+ 82,545	+ 59,795	...	...
<i>Nett</i>,.....			...	...
Junks, Local Trade, } arrivals,.... }	79,066	65,274	...	13,792
Do., departures,...	79,508	71,986	...	7,522
Total,.....	158,574	137,260	...	21,314
<i>Nett</i> ,.....			...	21,314

IMPORTS.

Junks.

Foreign Trade,	16,709	Measuring,.....	1,428,966	tons.
Local Trade,	31,694	"	1,191,717	"
Total,	<u>48,403</u>	"	<u>2,620,683</u>	"

Imported, 862,459 tons as under:—

Tea,	1,609	tons.
Fire Crackers,.....	3,143	"
Oil, Vegetable,	548	"
Rice,.....	52	"
Cattle, (7,278),	748	"
Swine, (20,299),.....	1,201	"
Earth and Stones,	336,956	"
General,	518,202	"
Total,	<u>862,459</u>	"

EXPORTS.

Junks.

Foreign Trade,	16,766	Measuring,	1,446,474	tons.
Local Trade,	31,573	"	1,170,446	"
Total,	<u>48,339</u>	"	<u>2,616,920</u>	"

Exported, 721,591 tons as under:—

Kerosine, (530,425 cases),	18,944	tons.
Rice and Paddy,	205,885	"
Earth and Stones,	178,713	"
General,	318,049	"
Total,	<u>721,591</u>	"

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