

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

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Preliminary Report on the Census taken on Tuesday, the 20th November, 1906:—

1.—NON-CHINESE POPULATION.

| <i>Place.</i> | <i>1906.</i> | <i>1901.</i> | <i>Increase.</i> | <i>Decrease.</i> |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
| Victoria, | 7,738 | 6,862 | 876 | |
| Peak, | 603 | 438 | 165 | |
| Hongkong Villages,..... | 395 | 236 | 159 | |
| British Kowloon,..... | 2,245 | 895 | 1,350 | |
| Total, | 10,981 | 8,431 | 2,550 | |

2.—CHINESE POPULATION (LAND).

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|-----------------------|---------|---------|--------|-------|
| Victoria, | 171,684 | 175,056 | | 3,372 |
| Peak, | 1,715 | 1,786 | | 71 |
| Villages, | 16,801 | 13,433 | 3,368 | |
| British Kowloon,..... | 51,801 | 42,976 | 8,825 | |
| Total, | 242,001 | 233,251 | 12,193 | 3,443 |

3.—CHINESE POPULATION (FLOATING).

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|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Harbour, | 32,991 | 28,529 | 4,462 | |
| Aberdeen,..... | 5,637 | 5,251 | 386 | |
| Shaukiwan, | 6,248 | 5,439 | 809 | |
| Stanley, | 706 | 881 | | 175 |
| Total, | 45,582 | 40,100 | 5,657 | 175 |
| Number of Boats enumerated, | 6,846 | 5,836 | 1,010 | |

The above figures are liable to correction.

There is an increase in the Non-Chinese population of over 800 persons in the City of Victoria, 165 in the Hill District, 160 in the villages, and 1,350 in Kowloon, the latter figure being an increase of about 150 per cent.

In the Chinese population there is a decrease of some 3,000 persons in the City of Victoria, and an increase of some 3,400 in the villages of Hongkong, and of nearly 9,000 in Tsim Sha Tsui, Yaumati and Hung Hom.

The floating population shows an increase of some 5,500 persons, 4,500 within the Harbour limits and 1,000 in the villages of Hongkong. The total number of boats, etc., is 6,846, compared with 5,836 in 1901.

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