

APPENDIX J.

CITY HALL, VICTORIA, B.C., August 14th, 1884.

SIR,—In response to your request I beg to submit herewith an abstract statement, showing the amount of taxes under four different heads paid to the Corporation of the City of Victoria by the Chinese residing within the municipality, for five years, viz : from 1st January, 1879, to 31st December, 1883, as follows :—

YEAR 1879.	
Trade Licenses	\$2,210 00
Water Rents.....	2,468 00
Road Tax.....	962 00
Real Estate Tax.....	187 00
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	\$5,827 00
YEAR 1880.	
Trade Licenses.....	\$2,430 00
Water Rents.....	2,612 00
Road Tax.....	962 00
Real Estate Tax.....	187 00
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	\$6,191 00
YEAR 1881.	
Trade Licenses	\$2,675 00
Water Rents.....	2,738 00
Road Tax.....	962 00
Real Estate Tax.....	187 00
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	\$6,562 00
YEAR 1882.	
Trade Licenses	\$3,385 00
Water Rents.....	3,178 00
Road Tax.....	962 00
Real Estate Tax.....	187 00
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	\$7,712 00
YEAR 1883.	
Trade Licenses	\$3,725 00
Water Rents.....	3,500 00
Road Tax.....	962 00
Real Estate Tax.....	227 00
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	\$8,414 00

The Road Tax is approximate, having been based upon the income of one year for an average.

The amount under head of Real Estate Tax is small, this is owing to the fact that there are only four who own real estate in the city; but several of the leading firms have erected this year substantial buildings on leasehold property, upon which in future, under the terms of their lease, they will have to pay the Real Estate Tax.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,

THOS. RUSSELL,

City Treasurer and Accountant.

NICHOLAS FLOOD DAVIN, Esq.,
Secretary, Chinese Commission.