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## NOTES.

### May.

His Highness the Rajah held a very enjoyable Race Week dance at the Astana on the 1st, to which a large number guests were invited.

The Acting Chief Secretary, Mr. H. B. Crocker, invited a large number of guests to dinner at the Residency on the evening of the 2nd to bid farewell to His Highness the Rajah, the Dayang Leonora, and the Chief Secretary, Mr. J. C. Moulton, who sailed for Europe on the 4th.

The Chief Secretary, Mr. J. C. Moulton, kindly invited all Owners to a Race Week tiffin party at the Residency on the 2nd.

His Highness the Tuan Muda, accompanied by Mr. H. B. Crocker, Acting Chief Secretary, spent the week-end at His Highness the Rajah's bungalow, Bau, returning to Kuching on the 24th.

Mr. W. W. Duncan arrived from Singapore on the 10th to take up the appointment of Assistant Controller, Government Monopolies.

Mr. W. Harnack arrived from Europe on the 29th April, and has been appointed Assistant Surveyor in the Survey Department, Kuching.

Mr. J. W. Evans, Manager of Sadong Collieries, has been on a prospecting trip this month to the Ulu Lingga, Second Division, for about three weeks.

Mr. W. F. de V. Skrine has been granted special leave to Europe on urgent private affairs, and leaves early in June. We understand that Mr. H. H. Kortright, District Officer, Bintulu, will take over his duties meanwhile.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1926.

### Marriage.

NUNES—REUTENS.—Arthur Henry, the eldest son of the late Henry Nunes of the Singapore Municipality, and Eugenie Emily Nunes nee HOLMBERG, of Singapore, at the Church of St. Joseph, Kuching, at 7 a.m. on 5th April, 1926, to Mabel Veronica, second daughter of Joseph P. Reutens, retired Accountant of the Sarawak Government Service, and the late Maria Teresa Reutens of Shanghai.

Mr. J. A. H. Hardie, Commissioner of Trade and Customs, and Mr. G. M. Allman, returned to Kuching on the 19th after a visit of inspection to the Saribas district.

Mr. N. A. Middlemas, Superintendent of Surveys, left Kuching on the 18th for the Lingga District, Second Division, where survey work is being undertaken.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that the Government Dental Surgeon is expected at Miri from British North Borneo during the first week in June and at Kuching a fortnight later.

Mrs. H. D. Aplin, wife of the Acting Resident, Third Division, arrived from Sibü by the *Chamois* on the 17th and entered the Grange Hospital for medical treatment to her elbow, injured as the result of a fall.

Two other patients are also at present in the Grange Hospital, Father Halder from Sibü and Mother Mary from Kanowit.

We hope that they will all make a rapid recovery.

The Rev. R. J. Small, formerly Archdeacon of Sarawak, and lately Chaplain at Vichy, France, has been nominated to the vicarage of Stow Bardolph, King's Lynn—patron, Sir Thomas Leigh Hare.

Mrs. J. S. Fenwick, sister-in-law of Mr. C. Fenwick, Manager of the Borneo Company, Limited, arrived from China on the 6th to take up a temporary appointment as Matron of the Grange Hospital, during the absence on leave of Miss M. Tait.

Mrs. St. V. B. Down returned to Kuching on the 10th from Europe after an absence of nine months.

The Government Examinations (Cadet Service) take place at Kuching on the 9th, 10th and 11th June.

PROCLAMATION Day, 24th May, was observed in the usual manner, a public holiday being proclaimed. The Police Force paraded under the Acting Superintendent of Police, Mr. C. D. Adams, and all ships in port were dressed.

We are informed by the Municipal Commissioner that the Kuching Fire Brigade has now transferred to the new quarters in Khoo Hun Yeang Street. Telephone No. 143.

The Government Printing Office, Kuching, is now able to manufacture rubber stamps "on the premises," with a machine recently acquired from Europe.

Dry rubber harvested at Sungei Tengah Estates during the month of April was approximately 80,000 lbs.

We read that the P. & O. *Malwa* has equalled the post war P. & O. record run by the *Kaiser-i-Hind* two or three years ago.

She brought the mail, which closed in London on April 15th, to Singapore in just under three weeks.

According to Sandakan Notes in the B.N.B. Herald of 17th May, our English friends there knocked us into a cocked hat on St. George's Day. Celebrations started at 9.15, and after supper, dancing was carried on until 3 p.m., and we congratulate them on this great test of physical endurance.

No wonder the apparently indefatigable orchestra began to wilt!

CAVALRY scouts are reported to have been seen in the bar of the Sarawak Club! No liquid fodder is missing, however.

#### THE SHAVING GRACE.

The Scot went into the barber's. He discovered that haircutting was eightpence and a shave threepence. "I'll just hae ma hid shaved," he said.

"CHARLIE," said the teacher sternly, "do you know that you have broken a Commandment by stealing Arthur's apple?" "Well," explained Charlie, "I might just as well break one and have the apple as break another and only covet it."

#### POTTED AMERICAN HISTORY.

AMERICA invented the Fourteen Points and did not sign the Treaty of Versailles.

American invented the League of Nations and kept out of it.

American invented the cocktail and introduced prohibition.

### Departure of His Highness the Rajah.

His Highness the Rajah and the Dayang Leonora left by the s.s. *Kuching* at 8 a.m. on the 4th to connect with the P. & O. s.s. *Macedonia* at Singapore.

A large number of people, including all Europeans, Datus and Chinese Towkays, were present on board to wish the travellers *bon voyage*.

By the same steamer the Chief Secretary, Mr. J. C. Moulton, O.B.E., left on seven months' furlough. There were also on board Captain and Mrs. Le Gros Clark, Mrs. K. H. Gillan, Miss Tait, and Dr. J. L. Farquharson who has obtained special leave to Europe for medical treatment. We understand that Dr. Farquharson will probably have to undergo an operation for appendicitis, and we wish him a speedy recovery.

### Firestone and Sarawak.

We note that a certain Singapore newspaper heads an interesting paragraph with "Rumour denied by Kuching Government."

Any correspondence which may have passed must have been of a private nature as we are assured that the Government of Sarawak were not approached by the Press for official information.

We understand, however, that Mr. Harvey Firestone, Junior, visited Kuching and discussed with His Highness the Rajah the possibilities of the Firestone Tyre & Rubber Company planting rubber on a large scale in this country. Nothing definite, however, has yet transpired.

## Trawler Fishing off Malaya.

### EXPERIMENTAL VESSEL DUE SOON.

The fisheries vessel, which has been specially built for the Straits Settlements Government at Middlesbrough, England, and which will test the possibilities of modern methods of power fishing in local waters, is due to arrive at Singapore within the next few days, says the *Straits Times*.

The new vessel is a coal-burning trawler of the Castle type, familiar to all who have visited East Coast fishing ports in England, and it will be in charge of three Lowestoft fishermen and a crew of Hylams of the type found on the *tongkangs* engaged in the timber carrying trade between Singapore and the neighbouring islands. The trawler, which has been named the "Tongkol" (tunnyfish) will be able to do 3000 miles without putting into port.

The arrangements for marketing the catches are already complete. First of all it will be washed and part of it will be gutted. It will then be packed on ice in the usual trawler fashion in the hold, which will be kept at the proper temperature by a refrigerating plant. It is thus hoped to reproduce, as far as possible, the conditions at Home, where fish is kept for weeks without deterioration.

On its return to Singapore the "Tongkol" will tie up in the Empire Dock, and the catch will be packed in boxes with ice and conveyed by lorry to a special cold storage room provided by the Singapore Cold Storage Company. From this store a quantity of fish, probably about a ton, will be removed every morning and sold by auction in the Clyde Terrace or Ellenborough markets. The greatest care will be taken to release the fish judiciously, so as to avoid interference with market conditions.

It may be added that the auctions at which local retailers obtain their fish supplies are conducted by the Municipality under a system which works very successfully, and the Government contribution to local fish supplies, small though it will be, will thus have to take its chance with the rest.

### MODERN EQUIPMENT.

Although it is hoped to make the trawler pay its way as far as possible, that factor will not be allowed to interfere with its experimental work, and the vessel will not confine itself to any rich fishing grounds which may be discovered but will explore new areas. All the information obtained will be at the disposal of the public, and if the results are satisfactory it is hoped that local capital will be attracted, and a fishing industry run on modern lines begun here.

The most important methods of power fishing are the trawl, the Danish seine, the American purse net, and the drift-net, and the experimental vessel is required for all these types except the last, for which it is not altogether suitable.

## A Novel Golf Problem.

A writer in a Home paper says:—

Here is a problem on which the St. Andrew's authorities would pronounce no judgment. A player hit his ball into a grass pot bunker, the bottom of which was very soft owing to recent rain. He took his niblick and played his shot, with the result that he removed a large lump of soft turf. This remained on his club and the ball remained embedded in the lump of turf. So the player was left, after completing his stroke, with a large divot, containing his ball, firmly adhering to the face of his club.

What was he to do? The R. and A. Rules Committee could not say.

[Doomp th' lot in t'hole?—Ed.]

## Six hit with one bullet.

Six men were wounded by a single bullet on the target range of the "Sixth-fifty" Infantry at San Juan (Porto Rico), says Reuter, when a rifle which was being cleaned by a soldier was accidentally discharged.

The bullet wounded one private, struck another on the right knee, was deflected from a rifle and hit a third in the neck, then struck a captain and lieutenant in turn, and finally lodged in the hip of a fourth private.

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[We are surprised it didn't find its way back into the rifle!—Ed.]

## The Failure of Prohibition.

WASHINGTON, APRIL 8.

The Senate prohibition hearing was continued today, when Mr. George Brennan, the Democratic political leader of Chicago, declared that the prohibition law was a national scandal and increased drunkenness, immorality, corruption, murder, insanity, blindness, and crime in general. "The sensible and honest thing to do," he added, "is to modify or repeal this unenforceable statute."

"Crime wave after crime wave," he said, "in one city after another has occurred." Thousands have been killed, blinded, or crazed by the various concoctions sold under counterfeit labels as genuine liquor. All human experience proves the futility of attempting to regulate morals by statutes."

Mr. Anton Cermak, President of the Cook County Board of Commissions, giving evidence regarding conditions in Chicago, said there were 2,266 alcoholic patients in the county hospital compared with 560 in 1918, and in the psychopathic ward the insane alcoholic cases had increased from 421 in 1917 to 1,136 last year.

Arrests made since 1918, the year when prohibition started, showed, according to Mr. Cermak's statement, that the number of drunken motor-car drivers apprehended had increased by more than 704 per cent, disorderly conduct cases 1,006 per cent, and deaths due to alcohol by 449 per cent.

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## Hookworm.

The first quarter's returns of the rural sanitation campaign in Malacca have been issued and amongst other information given it is shown that first treatment for hookworm was given in 805 cases, 3,699 examinations were made of which 2,875 were positive for hookworm, the Malay percentage of infection was 82.4, the Tamil 78.5, and the Chinese 69.6. The percentage found harbouring no intestinal worms was only 12. There were 59 lectures delivered attended by 3,417 persons, the Malays and Tamils being by far the largest in numbers.

[*S. F. P.*]

The Bishop of Labuan and Sarawak, who confirms in five languages, has a linguistic contemporary in the Bishop of Lagos, who confirms in seven.

[*S. F. P.*]

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of Correspondents.]

To  
The Editor,  
Sarawak Gazette,  
Kuching,

Sir,  
May I request you to make a correction in the announcement about the disposal of the money collected from the Indian Community for the Races, etc.

From my letter of the 27th ultimo it might be seen that the amount was utilised for a whole year— one Regatta and two Races. As your announcement mentions only one Regatta and one Race Meeting, the reader would presume that there is a surplus of \$75.25, for the amount offered by the Indian Community on each occasion was only \$75.

Apologising for the trouble and trusting to be favoured.

I beg to remain,  
Sir,  
Yours faithfully,  
K. V. KRISHNA.

## Club News.

## Sarawak Club.

## SNOOKER POOL TOURNAMENT FINAL.

H. Calvert and C. D. Adams (Kuching) beat P. M. Adams and W. F. Dick (Outstations).

## DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT FINAL.

F. G. Carpenter and B. A. Trechman (Kuching) beat H. D. Aplin and H. H. Kortright (Outstations) 7-5 6-3.

## BOWLING COMPETITION, APRIL 1926.

	Score.	H'cap.	Total.
G. D. Adams (Winner)	351	76	427
J. P. Baird	346	28	374
G. T. Bates	359	Scr.	359
D. Y. Proudfoot	267	56	323
C. S. Griffiths	229	84	313
Dr. Marjoribanks	213	84	297
A. A. Reunie	190	70	260

## Sarawak Golf Club.

The Race Week Competition (one club) took place on Sunday the 2nd of May, and the following cards were returned:—

E. O. Bruce	... 49	replayed 44
R. D. Binnie	... 49	replayed 49
R. V. Carr	... 51	
F. G. Carpenter	... 56	
W. Cotterill	... 56	
W. F. Dick	... 68	

## MONTHLY SPOON COMPETITIONS.

At a Committee Meeting of the Club held on 12th May, it was decided, inter alia, that monthly competitions should be revived, and played on the first Sunday of each month, with an entrance of \$1, and an optional sweep of \$1 per head.

These competitions will vary in character, and a supply of silver spoons has been ordered from England.

## REVISION OF HANDICAPS.

It was also decided that all handicaps will be revised annually, at least three cards to be submitted before the 30th June, commencing this year. Handicaps of winners of competitions in the interim to be revised before the beginning of the following month.

All members who have not submitted three cards for revision of handicaps are to be deemed ineligible for entrance in any competition during the ensuing twelve months, with the exception of outstation members, whose handicaps may be revised at the discretion of the Committee.

An approved scheme for the drainage of the area between the 8th and 9th holes has been put in hand, and should cause great improvement to the present somewhat swampy fairway.

Outstation members are requested kindly to settle their outstanding accounts by first available opportunity. There are at present 29 accounts still unsettled.

E. O. BRUCE,  
Honorary Secretary.

## Sarawak Turf Club.

At a Meeting of the Committee of the Sarawak Turf Club, held on Wednesday, 5th May, the following decisions amongst others were arrived at with regard to arrangements for the Autumn Race Meeting:—

Abolition of the Selling Lotteries except for the R.C. Race, which will be the concluding race of the Meeting.

Regulation 5, with reference to scratchings, to be cancelled except for entries in this race.

All ponies in Divisions II, III and IV to be eligible for entry in any race for ponies of any Division higher than their own particular Division.

5 lb. penalty for a win, providing no penalty for running in a race for a higher after a win in a lower Division.

Maximum weight 11 st., minimum 7 st.

Members' Totalisator to be \$2 win and \$2 place. New Public Totalisator to be erected on present Paddock—\$1 win and \$1 place. Cash Sweep Offices to be erected here also.

Stables to be pulled down and new ones erected some 30-50 yards further back, according to plan (to be approved later), with necessary Offices attached, enclosing new Paddock, Parade-Ring and Saddling enclosure.

Abolition of the Winners' Handicap, cups being provided for the best performance in each of the first three Divisions.

J. A. H. HARDIE,  
Honorary Secretary.

## Gymkhana Club, Miri.

The Honorary Secretary Gymkhana Club, Miri, has kindly sent us the following:—

## Rugby Football.

On 8th May, 1926, the first Rugby Football Match played in Sarawak took place at Miri between a team representing the Gymkhana Club, Miri, and a team from the 2nd Battalion of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment now stationed in Singapore.

The Regiment kicked off at 5.15 p.m. and immediately took the offensive. Following a mark, a good kick found touch in the Miri 25, and for ten minutes the visitors attacked vigorously. Twice they were brought down on our line, good

tackles being made by Parry and Sargent. The Miri forwards then got in some sound footwork and a good gather and run by Blatcher carried the game into the Regiment's half. Following a line out our backs got to the Regiment's 25. Vigorous work by our pack took them over the line but the ball was touched down. Good kicking by the Miri scrum resulted in three determined rushes by our backs which were fully foiled by the Regiment's hard tackling and the apparent reluctance on the part of our backs to part with the ball until too late. For the second time the ball went over our opponents' line, but was again touched down. Half time found Miri still attacking strongly and no score on either side. At the commencement of the second half, Miri decided to adopt the Regiment's tactics and immediately rushed the game into their opponents' territory. As a result of good forward work our backs made two good rushes which were well stopped, Marriott being brought down on the line by the corner flag. Following some good footwork by Tilling, Rust made a fine run to the Regiment's line where he was well tackled by the back who cleared. Breaking away from a scrum in their 25, the Regiment made a magnificent rush to the Miri 25 and for some minutes things looked extremely dangerous for the home team. Rust finally relieved the situation by a good kick into touch. The Regiment again attacked but were checked by Blatcher who intercepted a pass and again cleared to touch. Miri then forced the game back into the Regiment's 25 yards and their back cleared well. Frankis gathered the ball and made a beautiful run to the Miri 5 yards where he was stopped by Howie. The Regiment heeled well from the scrum and some clever work by their three-quarters put Lloyed over the line near the flag, the ball being finally touched down between the posts. The conversion failed.

On renewing, the Regiment again attacked on our line, their pack getting the ball out well. Good tackling by our backs saved further score and the game closed with the score 3-0 in favour of the Duke's.

On the 10th a return match was played. The Regiment proved too strong on this occasion and asserted their superiority throughout the game. Scores—half time 9-0. Full time 23-3.

Battalion of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment:—

Pte. Marron, Pte. McGuire, Corporal Smith, Lance-Corporal Lloyd, Pte. Payne, Lt. Frankis, Lt. Turner, Lt. Miles (Captain), Lt. Woods, Lt. Cumberlege, Corporal Hobson, Pte. Annesley, Pte. Beeson, Pte. Day, Pte. Lee.

Gymkhana Club Miri:—

R. C. Howie, F. F. Marriott, M. A. Rust, B. B. Parry (Captain), H. Blatcher, L. O. Stocken, J. Bettany, L. H. Hersch, F. L. Webster, A. C. Jelf, F. G. Sargent, A. H. G. Tilling, R. Rhys-Jones, C. M. Collins, G. McFadzean.

Referee, H. L. Owen.

## Sarawak Turf Club.



Spring Meeting, 1926.

The meeting was held on the 1st and 3rd May, under ideal weather conditions, and a large and cheery assembly of outstation visitors, having travelled many weary (or otherwise) miles, added to the gaiety of the occasion. Not a few could be seen "listening in" for any broadcasting direct from the

"horse's mouth." As was to be expected, results caused frequent surprises and not all backers were financially satisfied in spite of the fact that the meeting was one of the best which has yet been held, from a racing point of view.

Outstanding features were the brilliant performances of Apa Kena and Untong, the former, a Class IV pony, finishing second in the Winners' Handicap, and the latter, a Class II pony, winning the coveted race, which hitherto has never been won by any pony below Class I.

The number of amateur camera experts was unusually large, lining the rail regularly "to shoot" the finish of each race, and some really good results were obtained.

The enlarged "tote" with a cement approach was a vast improvement; and the arrangements for tea and refreshments were very ably organized, ice-cream being in great demand as usual.

The Club is to be congratulated on a splendid and rapid progress.

## RESULTS.

First Day: Saturday, 1st May.

THE KUCHING STAKES.

Race No. 1.—3 furlongs. Division IV.

HORSES.	OWNERS.	H'CAP.	JOCKEYS.
1— <i>Apa Kena</i> ...	Mr. J. B. Archer	... 8. 1	Biloi
2— <i>Shotaway</i> ...	Mr. C. D. Adams	... 7.11	Rajak
3— <i>Ajai</i> ...	Mr. Ang Cheng Khoi	... 8. 4	Timbum
0— <i>Sakai</i> ...	Mr. Astlay	... 9. 7	Salleh
0— <i>Pitak</i> ...	Ali bin Dollah	... 9.11	Spurway
0— <i>Guntor</i> ...	Nasrullah	... 8. 5½	Amin
0— <i>Sabek</i> ...	Abang Suhai and Abang Jadal	... 10.0	Bobo

1 length; ¾. Time 51 secs.

*Sakai* got away badly, turning round as the flag fell.

THE RESIDENCY CUP.

Race No. 2.—5 furlongs. Division I.

HORSES.	OWNERS.	H'CAP.	JOCKEYS.
1— <i>Wembley</i> ...	H. H. The Rajah	... 8. 5	Rajak
2— <i>Blazes</i> ...	Mr. J. A. H. Hardie	... 9. 8	Damit
3— <i>Kismet</i> ...	Mr. J. K. Bessley	... 8.10	Salleh
0— <i>Lee Mah</i> ...	Messrs. C. Teck Cheng and W. Boon Chew	... 9. 0½	Tabit
0— <i>Hopeless</i> ...	Mr. H. B. Crocker	... 10.7½	Mr. Adams

Short head; 2 lengths. Time 1 min. 25½ secs.

*Hopeless* was left at the post.

THE BANKERS' PURSE.

Race No. 3.—4 furlongs. Division II.

HORSES.	OWNERS.	H'CAP.	JOCKEYS.
1— <i>Beaver</i> ...	Messrs. P. M. Adams and J. B. Archer	... 8. 8	Brahim
2— <i>Untong</i> ...	Mr. P. M. Adams	... 10.0	Mr. Adams
3— <i>Sakbon</i> ...	Abang Suleiman	... 9. 7	Mr. Bruce
0— <i>Sisti</i> ...	The Datu Bandar	... 9. 4	Salleh
0— <i>Adham</i> ...	The Datu Imam Tua	... 8.11	Timbum
0— <i>Penglima</i> ...	Messrs. C. Teck Cheng and Wee Boon Chew	... 9. 9½	Mr. Fenwick
0— <i>Tolin</i> ...	Haji Hassim	... 8.11	Amin
0— <i>Lutong</i> ...	Inche Mohd. Ali and Abang Mohd. Taha	... 9. 6	Bachan S.
0— <i>White Wings</i> ...	H. H. The Rajah	... 9.10	Mr. Spurway
0— <i>Bang</i> ...	Messrs. Bates and Arundell	... 8. 0	Chim

2 lengths; ¾. Time 65½ secs.

*Sakbon* spurred well, but was unable to overhaul *Untong*.

THE FARMS' CUP.

Race No. 4.—6 furlongs. Division III.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Asah (Mr. Harchell) and 2-Mah Jongg (Mr. Hiway).

Neck; neck. Time 1 min. 44 3/4 secs.

An exciting finish, but poor time owing to a sticky course.

THE BARAM STAKES.

Race No. 5.—4 furlongs. Division IV.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Apa Kena (Mr. J. B. Archer) and 2-Ajaih (Mr. Abu Cheng Khoi).

2 lengths; 1. Time 1 min. 9 1/4 secs.

An easy win for Apa Kena, strong favourite.

THE INDIA PLATE.

Race No. 6.—5 furlongs. Division II.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Beaver (Messrs P. M. Adams) and 2-Adham (The Data Imam Tua).

1 length; 1 1/2. Time 1 min. 24 3/4 secs.

THE B.C.L. STAKES.

Race No. 7.—3 furlongs. Divisions III & IV.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Apa Kena (Mr. J. B. Archer) and 2-Aladdin (The Triple Kongsi).

2 lengths; 3/4. Time 49 secs.

THE RANEE'S CUP.

Race No. 8.—R.C. about 1 mile 2 furlongs and 150 yards. Divisions I, II, III & IV.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Untong (Mr. P. M. Adams) and 2-Kismet (Mr. J. K. Beasley).

2 1/2 lengths; 2. Time 3 min. 5 1/2 secs.—Record.

Hopeless, strong favourite, got an excellent start, but failed to keep his lead. Untong drew away at the road and finished strongly.

Second Day: Monday, 3rd May.

THE SIBU STAKES.

Race No. 1.—4 furlongs. Divisions III & IV.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Apa Kena (Mr. J. B. Archer) and 2-Aladdin (The Triple Kongsi).

2 lengths; 1/4. Time 1 min. 10 secs.

THE TUAN MUDA'S CUP.

Race No. 2.—6 furlongs. Division I.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Kismet (Mr. J. K. Beasley) and 2-Wembley (Mr. H. H. the Rajah).

Head; length. Time 1 min. 39 1/2 secs.

THE B.M.K. CUP.

Race No. 3.—6 furlongs. Division II.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Untong (Mr. P. M. Adams) and 2-Adham (The Data Imam Tua).

2 lengths; 1. Time 1 min. 41 secs.

THE ROYALIST STAKES.

Race No. 4.—5 furlongs. Division III.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Asah (Mr. Harchell) and 2-Aladdin (The Triple Kongsi).

Head; 1/2 length. Time 1 min. 25 1/2 secs.

An objection to Asah for boring was not upheld. If unseated his jockey at the start.

THE KEPPEL STAKES.

Race No. 5.—4 furlongs. Division I.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Kismet (Mr. J. K. Beasley) and 2-Hopeless (Mr. H. H. the Rajah).

1 length; 1/4. Time 1 min. 7 1/2 secs.

THE FARMS' PLATE.

Race No. 6.—3 furlongs. Division II.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Untong (Mr. P. M. Adams) and 2-Beaver (Messrs P. M. Adams).

1 length; 1/4. Time 49 1/2 secs.

THE PADUNGAN STAKES.

(The Consolation Race.)

Race No. 7.—3 furlongs. Open to all Divisions.

Table with 5 columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Includes entries like 1-Ghalib (Mr. C. D. Adams) and 2-Sisit (The Data Bandar).

1/2 length; neck. Time 48 1/2 secs.

THE SARAWAK CUP.

(The Winners' Handicap.)

Race No. 8—4 1/2 furlongs. Open to all Divisions.

Table with columns: HORSES, OWNERS, H'CAP., JOCKEYS. Rows include Untong, Apa Kena, Kismet, Wembley, Beaver, Azab with owner names like Mr. P. M. Adams, Mr. J. B. Archer, H. H. the Rajah, Messrs. P. M. Adams & J. B. Archer, and Mr. Harchell.

Head; head. Time 1 min. 14 1/2 secs.

Results of Draw Five Dollar Unlimited Sweep.

8TH RACE, 2ND DAY "WINNERS' HANDICAP." 3rd May, 1926.

Total number of Tickets sold 825 @ \$5 each = \$4,125.

Result.

Table with columns: NAME OF HORSE, TICKET NO., DRAWER, AMOUNT. Rows include 1st Prize Untong (2309), 2nd Apa Kena (2306), 3rd Kismet (1030), and Starters Wembley, Beaver, Azab.

10% Promotion Expenses \$412.50
\$4,125.00

Results of Two Dollar Cash Sweep.

FIRST DAY.

Table with columns: Race No., Total A'm't, 1st Prize, 2nd Prize, 3rd Prize. Rows 1-8 with amounts like \$294, \$360, \$370, \$454, \$496, \$465, \$370, \$606.

SECOND DAY.

Table with columns: Race No., Total A'm't, 1st Prize, 2nd Prize, 3rd Prize. Rows 1-8 with amounts like \$390, \$604, \$556, \$604, \$432, \$610, \$600, \$600.

Winning Owners.

Table with columns: Name of Owner, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Total Winning. Rows include Mr. P. M. Adams, J. B. Archer, J. K. Beasley, Messrs. J. B. Archer and P. M. Adams, Mr. Harchell, H. H. the Rajah, Mr. C. D. Adams, The Triple Kongs, Datu Imam Tua, Mr. H. B. Crocker, Ang Cheng Khol, P. A. H. Hardie, Hinway, Datu Bandar, Mr. Ang Ong Chye, Datu Imam, Abang Saleiman.

Winning Horses.

Table with columns: Name of Horse, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Total Winning. Rows include Untong, Apa Kena, Kismet, Beaver, Azab, Wembley, Ghalib, Aladdin, Adham, Shotaway, Ajaib, Hopeless, Blaze, Mah Joung, Siet, Kuching, Gundah.

Winning Jockeys.

Table with columns: Name of Jockey, 1st, 2nd, 3rd. Rows include Mr. P. M. Adams, Rajak, Biloi, Ibrahim, Salleh, Awang Damit, Alin, Tembam, Mr. Spurway, Bachan Singh, Assau, Lohor, Mr. E. O. Bruce, Bujang, Bobo.

Totalizer Dividends.

FIRST DAY.

Table with columns: Race No., Winner, Amount of Dividend. \$5 Tote, \$1 Tote. Rows 1-8 with winners like Apa Kena, Wembley, Beaver, Azab, Apa Kena, Beaver, Apa Kena, Untong.

SECOND DAY.

Table with columns: Race No., Winner, Amount of Dividend. \$5 Tote, \$1 Tote. Rows 1-8 with winners like Apa Kena, Kismet, Untong, Azab, Kismet, Untong, Ghalib, Untong.

S. Mary's School.

A new departure in the education and upbringing of girls was launched on Thursday the 20th of May at S. Mary's School when the first attempt at a "Sports Day" was held. It certainly speaks well for the advancement in thought when one remembers that a few years ago, parents' hands would have been held up in horror at the mere suggestion of their daughters taking part in any kind of sports. It is worth mentioning that the organisation was almost entirely arranged by the pupils and teachers themselves and the success of the afternoon was due to the untiring energy and enthusiasm of the Misses Margaret Brodie and Bridget Bay and their fellow teachers. A representative gathering of spectators assembled to see the sports which were also honoured by the presence of His Highness the Tuan Muda. Mrs. C. P. Lowe very kindly consented to give away the prizes to the winners of the various events. The Net 'Ball match was well fought out between the pupil teachers and the senior girls, the former, however, proving too strong for their opponents.

## PROGRAMME.

- 1 Song. "Come ye merry children all." (Beginners).
- 2 Potato Race. 1 Gladys, 2 Ho Eng, 3 Mee Hiong.
- 3 Candle Race. 1 Ah Hatt, 2 Rantai, 3 Anna.
- 4 Frog Race. 1 Mary Sim, 2 Emily, 3 Eunice.
- 5 Net Ball. Teachers vs. Senior girls. (First half).
- 6 Dressing Race. 1 Kim Hiok and first Team, 2 Mary Sim and second Team.
- 7 Nursery Rhymes. (Beginners).
- 8 Net Ball. Second half. Teachers won.
- 9 Thread and needle race. 1 Gladys, 2 Lilian, 3 Bong Yeo.
- 10 Apple Race. 1 Betty, 2 James, 3 Joe and Geok Tshin.
- 11 Three-legged Race. 1 Gladys and Hope, 2 Ah Chik and Katy, 3 Tow On and Betty.
- 12 Nursery Rhymes.
- 13 100 yards dash race. 1 Gladys, 2 Rantai, 3 Ah Chik.
- 14 Sack Race. 1 Tow On, 2 Rantai, 3 Siew Pee.
- 15 Running and Dressing Race. 1 Kim Hiok, 2 Mary Sim, 3 Bong Khi.  
School Champion. Gladys.

## S. Thomas' School Building Fund.

Previously acknowledged	...	\$8,934
\$500 Mr. Song Kheng Hai, Mr. Wee Kheng Chiang	...	1,000
200 Mr. Teo Cheng Hoon, Chop Thiam Joo	...	400
150 Chop Sam Aik	...	150
100 Chops Syn Kim Eng, Chin Thai, Mr. Charles Masan	...	300
80 Chop Wha Heng	...	80
60 Mr. Song Tiang Soo, Chops Eng Ann, Hin Ann, Eng Huat, Kong Chan	...	300
50 Chops Hak Ann, Yong Long, Tek Hak, Chin Kiat, Bian Kheng	...	250
40 Chops Hiap Chin Seng, Chin Hin	...	80
30 Chops Chin Thong, Hai Seng, Chua Lee, Ka Foong, Ho Chiang Seng, Mr. Jee Pin Kee	...	180
25 Messrs. Lim Geok Seng, E. G. Tan, G. Jiu Kwi	...	75
20 Chops Long Guan, Tong Sang, Joo Say, Kong Seng, Sung Shun	...	100
15 Chops Moh Whatt, Mui Kee, Ho Lee, Kim Eng Guan, Hong Long, Mr. Law Ah Lan (1st and 2nd subscriptions)	...	105
10 Chops Chiat Soon, Hong Joo, Sin Chuan Joo, Chin Kong, Soon Joo, Hap Whatt Ann, Sin Hap Seng, Hock Soon, Messrs. Chong Bee Tua Koh	...	100
5 Chops Fook Hin Loong, Kee Chong, Sin Kiat Ann, Joo Whatt, Long Heng, Ek Leong, Sin Hiap Soon, Ban Hin, Eng Guan, Kian Guan Ann, Ban Joo, Mr. S. M. Tan	...	60
2 Chop Hia Hua Seng	...	2
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		\$12,116

## Pasal Tesat Adat.

Dinga ka olib kita samoa,  
Anang bejako dinga ka leka;  
Aku nusi ka kita pasal brita,  
Ngenang Daya ditu menca.

Tesat adat ukai chechamang,  
Ngring kadiri dalam petang;  
Betuai ka samoa macham benatang,  
Burong, jelu, di kampung puang.

Samoa jelu nadai bepenemu,  
Diau ngapa di puchok kayu;  
Ujan, panas, dilaban salalu,  
Siang, malam, sengapa alai ngotu.

Utai ngapa ti ka tuai sida,  
Ari punggu datai ka sawa;  
Burong, jelu, ti ka lauk ngempa,  
Dikemesai ka sida enda jo jena.

Kita nemu jelu penchuri,  
Nama guna kita paduli?  
Bunyi iya didinga mali,  
Tuboh iya dipakai jadi.

Anang ngemansang ka penemu saian,  
Adat tu patut diubah;  
Bansa bukai samoa mejah,  
Orang katawa nyawa richal.

Kita patut udah nemu,  
Mensia ti endang besai penemu;  
Akai besai runding pen tentu,  
Pemakai badas lengis gemparu.

Eikir mensia pen besai enda alah kenang,  
Tengkira enggau pengawan enda ulih bilang;  
Pendiau nyamai pemakai pen senang,  
Rumah pen badas pendiau pen langang.

W. H. H.

## MONTHLY REPORTS.

## FIRST DIVISION.

## Kuching.

March, 1926.

*Supreme Court.*—Lim Kwan Tong vs. Tan Pet Kim. This was an appeal by plaintiff against the decision of the Resident's Court in connection with an estate which defendant administered. The appeal was dismissed.

*Resident's Court.—Criminal.*—There were four cases with two acquittals and two convictions. P. S. L. Mathews, Manager, Sarawak Trading Company, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment under section 417, I.P.C. Subsequently His Highness the Rajah was pleased to allow the sentence to be reduced and Mr. Mathews will leave the country by s.s. *Kuching* sailing 1st proximo.

Panggi, Dyak, who ran *amok* in the bazaar four months' ago was before the Court charged with murder. He was proved to be of unsound mind and unfit to plead and was ordered to be detained as a criminal lunatic.

Charges of embezzlement by Chop Hong Kiat against Toh Poon and Chua Oh of Chop Soon Kiat, Barau, were dismissed. Plaintiffs have appealed against the decision.

Loh Soon appealed against a sentence of six months' imprisonment for cheating passed in the District Court. The appeal was allowed.

There were three cases in the Civil Court.

*Datu's Court.*—Fines amounted to \$391.65 and fees \$22.50.

*General.*—The Board of Visitors visited the gaol, hospital, leper and pauper camps on the 9th and 10th



instant and made certain recommendations which have been reported to the authorities concerned.

Bulan Puasa was ushered in with a salute from the fort on the 14th instant.

Tua Kampong Sudin of Samarahan reported having settled a boundary between the Ris and Lanchang Dyaks. It is hoped this will be the end of this dispute which has been going on for years.

The wood for the proposed Munggu Babi Court House is now ready on the site and tenders for the erection of the building are being called for.

*Staff*.—Mr. F. G. Carpenter, Acting District Officer, reported his return to duty on the 15th.

Mr. A. M. L. Honoré returned from Sadong on the 4th and was temporarily appointed to Monopolies Department.

Abang Lampong was provisionally appointed Tua Kampong of Sambir in place of Abdulrasit.

*Land Office*.—Tembirat gardeners applied for Government to do certain ditching to improve their land. Last year \$3,000 was spent by Government on similar work in this area.

The following grants, leases, and squatters' licences were issued during the month :—

2 Grants	...	for 20 acres, 2 roads, 16 poles
25 Leases	...	for 478 acres, 2 roads, 5 poles
9 Squatters' Licences	...	for 29 acres, 1 road, 1 pole

250 occupation tickets were issued for 1,663 acres mostly rubber.

The Acting District Officer, Mr. F. G. Carpenter, reports as follows :—

*District Courts*.—57 cases were heard, 49 of which were criminal and eight civil. Of the 49 criminal cases 44 convictions were adjudged and two were transferred to other Courts. There were four cases of assault, one of theft, three of cheating, and 16 against Municipal By-laws. Fines amounted to \$53 and fees to \$33.25. In the civil section the fees amounted to \$47.75, and the value of claims dealt with to \$1,651.42.

*Magistrate's Court*.—90 civil claims were brought for hearing, for which fees of \$194.25 were collected. The total value of claims was \$1,973.80.

*Police Court*.—37 summary cases were up for hearing, three of which were transferred to other Courts. 29 convictions were obtained. The principal charges were theft five, assault one, cheating one. A total amount of \$116.50 was imposed in fines, and fees collected amounted to \$79.25.

*Courts Totals*.—Cases 184; fines \$169.50; fees \$354.50; value of claims \$3,625.22.

*General*.—The new engine in m.l. *Ranger* was fitted and tried out successfully.

On the 18th a Chinese child, Su Chiu Hong, aged 8 years, fell into Sungai Kuching and was drowned. As a result of this the police are to be taught artificial respiration.

On the 21st the body of a Javanese, Romosamito, was brought from Dahan. This man had died as a result of stab wounds.

On the 23rd Haji Gapar, a prisoner, murdered a fellow prisoner, Chundi, by cutting him with a *parang* in the jail.

I returned from Miri on the 14th with Mrs. Carpenter.

### Upper Sarawak.

March, 1926.

The District Officer, Mr. F. H. Kortright, reports as follows :—

*Court*.—There was an unusual amount of Court work, mostly unimportant matters, with the exception of the accidental shooting of a Dyak named Jaboo by one Liew whilst out hunting. And a bad stabbing at the Dahan Rubber Estate when one Bassir fatally stabbed one Romosamito. Bassir, who is still in hospital suffering from wounds inflicted by Romosamito with a "changkol" handle,

will be brought up for trial on his release. A woman, Ronowijeyo, who was concerned in the affair, has disappeared, and in spite of a systematic search no trace of her has yet been found.

Abdul Rani, Government lorry driver, was sentenced to 6 months for fraudulently obtaining goods from shops in the three different bazaars.

*General*.—Dyaks from most of the villages were in to renew their guns permits and inquire about their sundry affairs.

The Estate of Chop Yong Heng of Siniawan was examined and recorded, and all perishable goods in the shop sold off.

Very heavy rain caused big floods and a lot of damage was done to roads and bridges. The river at Buso rose above the floor level of the winch landing stage, and stood some feet deep in the bazaar shops. A large tree fell across the river just below Bau Pengkallan until it was cleared away by the Suba Dyaks. The "tambang" boats were all held up.

Complaints were made that the Siniawan Pork Farm was being run in an unsatisfactory manner, and so permission was obtained to abolish the farm, and charge slaughter-house rates only.

On the 17th I went to headquarters and back by car to discuss certain matters which have been reported separately.

Mr. Bois, Chairman of the Dahan Estate, who is out here on a visit called on his way through.

The new Court House being ready for occupation a move was made from the temporary quarters in the old club. The building is a great improvement on the old one and now only requires some new furniture to complete it.

The rainfall amounted to 19.76.

### Sadong

March, 1926.

The Acting Assistant District Officer, Mr. G. J. D. Walters, reports as follows :—

*Court*.—In the District Court, Chow Lam was sentenced to one year's imprisonment for forgery; Ah Chom, goldsmith, was fined \$50 under section 403; Ngo Ah Sah was sentenced to one year for cheating and one month for breach of Government Order.

*In the Magistrate's Court*.—Ah Thiam Fook was fined \$25 for contempt of court; Mandor Leong Tim was fined \$25 and two Colliery coolies were fined \$5 each for breach of opium regulations; Ah Thiam and Kadir were fined \$20 and \$10 respectively for breach of weights and measures order.

Fines imposed for breaches of forest regulations amounted to \$70.

*Prisoners*.—The daily average number of prisoners was ten. The prison gang was employed on clearing ditches round the station and weeding the railway road.

A vegetable garden has been started worked by prison labour from which the prisoners will be supplied with vegetables to supplement their rations.

*P.W.D.*.—The coolie gang cleared the ditches to the end of the Sageng Road.

*Medical*.—At the dispensary a total of 142 patients were treated, as follows :—

Europeans	...	...	...	3
Dyaks	...	...	...	6
Chinese	...	...	...	78
Tamils	...	...	...	13
Sikhs	...	...	...	4
Malays	...	...	...	38
Total	...	...	...	142

The number of admissions to the local hospital during the month were 18, 14 patients being in hospital at the beginning of the month. During the month 17 were discharged as cured, one died, and one (admitted for mental observation) absconded.

Forty-six pigs were inspected for slaughter during the month.

Arsenical injections to the total of 8 were duly attended to.

*General.*—During the month the people have been busy harvesting their padi. The padi crop is reported to be good throughout the district.

The rainfall recorded for the month amounted to 19.11 inches.

Mr. A. L. M. Honoré returned to Kuching for duty on the 4th. Major-General Sir C. Herbert Powell, K.C.B., stayed here one night on his way north by the s.s. *Sulong*. Messrs. E. S. Holl and W. F. de V. Skrine were also passengers on this trip of the *Sulong*.

*Shipping.*—The following vessels entered and cleared the port:—

S.L. <i>L'Aubaine</i> ...	...	6 times
S.J. <i>Sri Sadong</i> ...	...	4 "
M.S. <i>Muaratebas</i> ...	...	4 "
<i>Sri Mas Igan</i> ...	...	twice
S.S. <i>Sulong</i> ...	...	once
M.L. <i>Nam Hoi</i> ...	...	"

*Trade.*—The local trade returns for comparison with last year are as follows:—

	Imports.	Exports.
March 1926	\$34,212.00	\$41,876.00
March 1925	12,949.00	24,621.00

C. ERMEN,  
Acting Divisional Officer,

## SADONG COLLIERY.

April, 1926.

The output, export, local consumption, conversion to coke and local stock figures for the month were as follows:—

1st April Stock Balance	194.13 Tons.
April Gross Output	1,746.15 "
	<u>Total 1,941.08 Tons.</u>
Shipped	1,506.00 Tons.
Consumed by boilers and converted into Coke	365.06 " 1,871.06 "
Stock Balance	70.02 "

Conditions prevailing below ground at the Upper Seam and No. 8 Mines were normal. The East side workings of No. 9 were in barren ground throughout the month. A slight improvement took place at the New Mines, where the coal seam is now approaching its normal thickness.

One, Leong Tim, Senior Underground Mandor, with 27 years' service, who had been in charge of No. 9 Mine continuously for 16 years, died suddenly on the 8th.

A lingering form of cold, or influenza, was responsible for a good deal of absence from work during the month.

Visitors to the Collieries during the month were Mr. Middlemas, Superintendent, Survey Depart-

ment, on the 7th, and Mr. W. Cotterill, Kuching Treasury, Dr. Barnes, of Rockefeller Foundation, and Fathers Hoptgartner and Stahl on the 17th instant.

I left for Kuching on the night of the 19th and returned again on the 22nd.

The Rainfall for the month was 10.08 inches.

J. W. EVANS,  
Manager.

## SECOND DIVISION.

Simanggang.

April, 1926.

*Resident's Court.*—Sundai, F.G. Sebuyow, charged with misappropriation of Government moneys and illegally fining Dyaks whilst on duty at Sebuyow. Sundai absconded before case was settled and is still at large. Sundai had been working for some considerable time at Sebuyow taking in forest revenue.

Ee Gan (f.) was charged for aiding a prisoner to escape. For lack of evidence the case was dismissed.

*District Court.*—Sumbang, prisoner, one year's R.I. extra for theft; Sumbang, Baki, and Kongkong, prisoners who escaped from the gang and were afterwards captured by Dyaks, six months extra in irons and 12 strokes each with the rattan; Baki and Kongkong one year's R.I. extra for theft, and Ammit and Buang, prisoners, six months' R.I. extra; Tegah prisoner three months' R.I. for being in possession of stolen property; Enjat and Balujot (f.) sentenced to two years' and one year's R.I. respectively for incest.

*Magistrate's Court.*—Awang Salleh of Saribas one year's R.I. for theft. Numerous prisoners were before the Court for various offences. There were a number of other cases but none call for special mention.

*General.*—On the 1st I left Kabong and spent the night at Sebuyow. The Malays have made a new road round foot of Sebuyow hill and the land on each side has been marked out by the Native Officer for rubber gardens. I took opportunity of allotting land for new shophouses. I arrived back at Simanggang on the 2nd at 7.30 a.m.

The offices were closed from 2nd until 5th, being Good Friday and Easter Monday.

On the 6th Abang Omar, Native Officer, Betong, arrived for medical treatment, returning again on the 18th.

Abang Sedik, Native Officer, Lubok Antu, was granted his yearly leave, dating from 8th.

Mr D. E. Calver, Assistant Conservator of Forests, left in the m.l. *One* on the 10th for Lingga and Sebuyow in connection with forestry work, returning again on the 12th.

On the 10th Mr. N. A. Middlemas, Superintendent of Surveys, arrived from Kuching. His visit was connected with the surveying of the Batang Lupar river. Mr. N. A. Middlemas returned to Kuching on the 12th via Lingga.

Abang Zin, Native Officer, Sebuyow, and Draup, Native Officer, Engkilili, were both granted their annual leave.

The 14th being "Hari Raya" was observed as a public holiday, and a salute of 14 guns fired.

On the 20th I left in the m.l. *One* for Engkilili. Stopped at Sada to pick up Penghulu Renang, reaching Engkilili at 3 p.m. Penghulu Snel of Lemanak was awaiting my arrival. Held Court next morning. I arranged site for new shophouses on down river side of present bazaar. Carpenter Matsuilleh has nearly completed the clerks' quarters. I left Engkilili on the 21st, reaching Simanggang at 4 p.m.

There have been many applicants for land on which to build shophouses, and in consequence land on both sides of the "Topekong" was divided out into lots, ten in all. Seven lots were disposed of at \$100 per lot.

On the 18th Mr. D. S. McDougall left for Betong, returning again on the 24th bringing back \$18,000 for the Simanggang Treasury.

The Court Writers, Lingga, Engkilili, and Lubok Antu, visited Simanggang for third time in connection with the new system of accounting.

The following Penghulus visited Simanggang in connection with cases, Ingkas of Entulang, Mekoi of Lower Undup, Renang of Sada, Jaul of Saduku.

On the 27th I left for Kuching, accompanied by Mr. D. E. Calver and Datu Abang Haji Dulrashid, in m.l. *One* in order to attend the race meeting. On arrival at Sebuyow we boarded s.s. *L'Aubaine*. The m.l. *One* proceeded to Kuching for docking purposes.

**Shipping.**—The m.l. *Rahmat Septuiah* has started to run regularly from Kuching to Simanggang and Engkilili; she made five trips during the month.

The m.l. *Santosa* made three trips from and to Kuching.

**Agriculture.**—Malays and Dyaks were busy harvesting during the month and a fairly good crop of padi is expected.

105 permits to plant para rubber and 18 to plant pepper were issued during the month.

**Cattle.**—Simanggang herd number 91 head and Lubok Antu herd number 42 head.

**Prison.**—Prison gang averaged 48.1 and were employed on general upkeep of roads and ornamental grounds.

**Forest.**—Mr. D. E. Calver, Assistant Conservator of Forests, reports as follows:—The examination of the S.T.C. concession area was delayed, owing to the breakdown of the m.l. *Elizabeth* provided for this purpose.

Forest Guard Sundai, while under remand on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences, absconded, and has not yet been arrested.

**Medical.**—A total of 241 persons were treated in hospital during the month as follows:—Europeans two, Eurasians three, Malays 38, Chinese 23, Javanese one, Dyaks 174.

93 cases of N.A.B. injection for yaws, etc., were given during the month.

86 persons were vaccinated during the month.

**Trade.**—The principal exports were:—

Gutta jelutong ...	604 piculs	valued at	\$11,326
Pepper white ...	35 piculs	do.	2,020
Pepper black ...	15 bags	do.	610
Para rubber ...	132.73 piculs	do.	9,174
Para scrap ...	51 piculs	do.	2,355
Raw sago ...	115 koyans	do.	320
	Imports.	Exports.	
April, 1926 ...	\$30,881	\$47,906.50	
April, 1925 ...	34,784	24,104.00	

Mr. D. S. McDougall reports as follows on his visit to Betong:—

**Court.**—Fourteen cases were heard. Aba, Dyak, was sentenced to seven months and 17 days on two charges (1) gross contempt of Court and (2) non-payment of fine \$7.

James Rozario and P. C. Liong of Betong were fined \$10 each for being drunk and disorderly; Ah Pong and Jabu were fined \$5 each on similar charges.

In the case of Jering (*f.*) vs. Lanchang, breach of Adoption. The goods of the plaintiff gained with the help of defendant to be divided into three parts of which one part is to go to defendant.

The other cases were nearly all land disputes.

**Agriculture.**—Good crops of padi are said to be prevalent in this district though it is feared that the Dyaks here pay too much attention to the planting of rubber to the consequent detriment of rice crops.

**Miscellaneous.**—Registration of guns seems to be complete for 1925, and 1926 permits are now being taken out.

The registration of weights and measures for 1926 is complete with the exception of those belonging to Dyaks living far up river.

The belian posts for the Simanggang to Betong telephone line have been worked and are in readiness near the road. Big tree trunks have all been removed from the road so that the walk is now a comfortable one.

**Public Works.**—An estimate was made for the timber required in the proposed extension to the Police Barracks. The extension is to consist of three rooms with a separate kitchen. The wood for this was ordered through the Native Officer.

Tenders were received from Chinese contractors for building the new Government Vernacular School. The wood for this is already on the ground so that the work should be begun before the end of the month.

**Saribas.**

April, 1926.

The Court Writers, Saribas, report as follows:—

**Court.**—In the Magistrate's Court, Aba was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for gross Contempt of Court; Luta was fined three piculs, and Nyala (*f.*) two piculs for incest; Ugek was fined \$50 for felling teglam trees; Bidin and Dara (*f.*) were fined \$44.25 each for adultery. Various other small fines were imposed. Fines and fees for the month amounted to \$502.45.

**General.**—Dresser Edward Chia visited Bladin on the 3rd, to examine the smallpox cases, and he reported that all the villages down river are now free from this epidemic.

Mr. D. S. McDougall arrived from Simanggang on the 19th, and on the next day numerous cases were brought up in Court and settled by him.

Dresser T. Attenborough arrived on the 25th from Kuching to take over the charge of the Government Dispensary from Dresser Edward Chia, who returned to headquarters.

The Court Writer, Pusa, visited Debak during the month to attend to clerical work.

The natives were busy during the month harvesting. Good crops have been reported from the hill land, but poor crops from the swamp land. In many cases the fields were completely destroyed by rats.

P.C. Entri was granted 15 days' leave on the 8th.

The sum of \$18,000 was transmitted from the Treasury to Simanggang, and also the sum of \$500 was paid out on letter of credit from Kuching during the month.

Penghulu Ijau visited the Station on the 21st bringing in fines amounting to \$222.80.

**Agriculture.**—291 permits to plant rubber, and one permit to plant sago have been issued during the month.

**Shipping.**—During the month 9 motor boats and 2 vessels entered, and 8 motor boats and 2 vessels cleared.

**Trade.**—The principal Exports were:—

Gutta jelutong	291 piculs	valued at	\$ 8,490
Para rubber	715 piculs	do.	44,371
" scrap	150 piculs	do.	4,435
Raw sago	920 koyans	do.	2,360
	Imports.	Exports.	
April, 1926 ...	\$52,636	\$63,975	
" 1925 ...	39,650	59,367	

## Kulaka.

April, 1926.

Mr. H. E. Cutfield, Acting Assistant District Officer, reports as follows:—

**Court.**—Not many cases came before the Court during the month which call for special mention.

A Dyak, Luyee, of Roban, was sentenced to three years' R.I. for incest with his daughter-in-law Lumpoh, who was fined three piculs and \$50 *piasi menoa* and her mother, who was implicated in the matter, was fined one picul.

Three Malays, one man and two boys, were sentenced to nine months and four months respectively, for theft of rubber. Sali was sentenced to nine months for (1) criminal breach of trust (2) misappropriation of property.

A case which was reported by one Jetti to His Highness the Rajah during his visit to Saratok was settled. Jetti accused Kenawang of spreading serious rumours that the Dyaks of the Sarekei were coming on the warpath against the Ulu Krian Dyaks and house in particular. Farms were neglected and everyone collected in their houses, thus much damage was done to their farms by pigs and deer. Kenawang's defence was that he was informed of the *ngayau* by a Chinaman in the Sarekei. He did not stop to make any inquiries, but came straight to the Ulu Krian and spread the news broadcast. Apparently a number of houses dipped the white flag as a token of their willingness to join the side of the *musoh*. These houses are to be fined on my next visit to Saratok. Kenawang was duly fined two piculs and two piculs compensation to the *menoa*.

A long case of land dispute came up in which about fifteen Dyak houses are concerned against all the principal Malays of Saratok headed by Haji Bujang and Haji Mustapa. This case is adjourned with a pledge of \$300 a side. Two Chinese were fined \$25 each with \$50 pledges for assault. Six Dyaks were fined \$10 each for assault of a Chinaman at Roban, they were all under the influence of drink.

abang Bujang, Native Officer, was away the whole of the month in Kuching under medical treatment, with the result that all the Native Court cases had to be held in the Magistrate's Court. Numbers of fines were imposed for divorces, etc.

**P.W.D.**—All the whitewashing of the Government building was completed by the Police and prisoners during the month. The road from the Fort to the sands beyond the tanjong was also completed by the prisoners, who numbered 601.

Work was commenced on some temporary stables.

**General**—Friday the 2nd being Good Friday, and Easter Monday the 5th, were observed as holidays and the Offices were closed.

Thursday 15th being Hari Raya a public holiday was observed and the usual celebrations gone through.

I visited Saratok on the 7th to 10th and Roban on the 20th to 22nd. Numbers of things were gone into at Saratok and several cases came up for hearing. A trial was made with a small "Pyrene" fire extinguisher, left behind by His Highness the Rajah for demonstration. Unfortunately the Dyaks built up far too large and too flammable a bonfire with the result that as soon as the match was applied it blazed up many feet high with the result that the small extinguisher could make no effect on such a blaze.

The lamps for the street lighting were also tested. Arrangements were made for the completion of the ditching and road at the back of the bazaar.

I was informed that there were 32 applications for sites on which to build shops from Kuching alone, also six applications from a Kongsi Saratok and Roban Chinese, one from Selalang, several Dyaks and two Malays. If this is true it will double the size of the bazaar there. Work on the gaol and police barracks is progressing.

On my return from Roban on the 22nd I found the *Jang Endang* in having five men from the P.W.D., Kuching, also pipes, windmill, etc., for the waterworks at Kabong. Work was commenced the following morning.

The *Jang Endang* proceeded to Saratok and returned to Kuching via Saribas on the 24th. Tang Eng Chong, Court Writer, left by her to spend his leave in Kuching, the Court Writer from Saratok taking his place.

On the 26th, I left by boat for Lingga to meet the Resident and proceed to Kuching for Race Week, and was still away at the end of the month.

**Shipping.**—The statistics for this port were as follows:—

Entered three motor schooners and ten schooners; cleared two motor schooners and eight schooners.

**Trade.**—The principal exports were:—

Gutta jelutong	815 piculs valued at	...	\$ 4,780
Pepper, white	1 do.	...	700
Pepper, black	1 do.	...	80
Para rubber	178.50 do.	...	12,528
Para scrap	41.53 do.	...	1,425
Raw sago	1,820 do.	...	8,800

	Imports.	Exports.
April, 1926	\$36,378	\$29,025
.. 1925	34,420	37,097

The following are the trade returns for the Second Division:—

	Imports.	Exports.
April, 1926	\$122,895.00	\$130,906.50
Total to 30.4.26	523,064.00	663,938.50
do. 30.4.25	428,770.70	532,374.50

F. A. W. PAGE-TURNER,  
Resident Second Division.

## THIRD DIVISION.

Sibu.

March, 1926.

The Divisional Land Officer, Mr. C. S. Griffiths, having been appointed Acting Superintendent of Stores in Kuching, left by the s.l. *Chamois* on the 5th, when I took the opportunity of proceeding to Kuching where I was unavoidably detained until the 14th. The Land Office has always been understaffed and the removal of Mr. C. S. Griffiths is to be regretted.

On my return from Kuching I found that the first of the two seaplanes to be used for the survey of the delta had arrived from Miri with Messrs. F. P. Raynham and Mr. R. W. L. Andrews of the Aerial Survey Company. The second plane arrived with Captain S. W. Gaskell on the 19th when Mr. Raynham flew to Mukah and returned with Mrs. Raynham and Mrs. Gaskell after an absence of about two and a half hours.

The lack of accommodation is increasingly evident and has been felt chiefly by the members of the Aerial Survey Company. There is no room on the island for more bungalows after the completion of those now under construction and it is difficult to find suitable sites on the mainland. It has been suggested that the land between the stables and the old hospital site would be the best for a residential reserve but it is, like all the land here, low lying, and has all been granted and planted up with rubber.

An alternative site is at the end of the Race Course Road on the banks of the Igan river.

On the 21st I left for Daro and Matu accompanied by Mr. C. E. Pascoe of the Survey Department who took the opportunity of marking a base line for the Aerial Survey near the mouth of the Bruit river. I found the District Officer and Divisional Treasurer at Matu and returned with them to Rejang on the 26th, stopping at Mr. H. Gild's settlement on the way to hear a complaint made by his manager, Mr. C. F. De Haan, against the Malay mandor Drahan.

The outlook here does not appear to be hopeful, labour is unobtainable and only thirteen men are now employed tapping jelutong.

The District Officer reports as follows:—

**District Court.**—The following persons were sentenced to imprisonment during the month:—  
Ujan (Dyak) one and half years for assault with a weapon under section 324; Wong King Ting six months, Wong Ah Bee three months and six strokes, Kudang six months, Ah Ann, boy to Mr. Binnie, three months, and Ho Chung Pang one month, all for theft; Tiong Hiong Ing and Sia Ong one month each for vagrancy and Soong Ngee one month for picking pockets.

One prisoner received three months and a whipping for attempting to escape, and three other prisoners a whipping each for petty theft.

Sia Kung Sai (*f.*) was fined \$50 and Tong Khek Siang, Lai Chin Yung, Tang Soon Nee (*f.*), and Tong Gu Nau (*f.*) \$10 each for assault under section 323; Moi Fook \$25 for being in possession of a firearm without a licence; Ling Kong Thai and Omar, respectively owner and juragan of m.l. *Ling Kong Thai*, \$20 each for carrying over the licensed number of passengers under Order No. VII, 1924; Tee Koh Kee \$10 under section 353 for assault, and Nyanbong \$1 for assault.

There were two appeals against Native Court decisions.

In the case of Ah Hong vs. Abang Sait, from Binatang Native Court, the appeal was upheld and fines remitted, but Thai Moh, Thai Hok, Soon Teck Hin, and Kiau Kong, all traders of Binatang, were fined \$20 each for giving false evidence.

In a Kanowitz case, Inche Small vs. Forest Department, the appeal was upheld and fine remitted.

There were a number of civil cases before the Court, especially those concerning land, but none call for special mention.

**Magistrate's and Police Courts.**—Nothing worthy of special mention.

Fines and fees amounted to \$2,253. 105 deeds were registered in the Sibn Court.

**General.**—I was still in Sarikei at the beginning of the month, where I settled various matters. Dyaks complained that Foochow Chinese had not kept to the boundary made some years ago and in the vicinity of Bukit Peninjau had cleared Dyak land. Lance-Corporal Assim and Wong Chin Poh, the Foochow headman, were sent to investigate the matter. The Bugis have made large farms opposite Sarikei village but there is still some opposition from the scattered Malays to allowing them to drain out to the river.

Whilst in Sarikei I took soundings in the Nyelang River with a view to building a Government wharf near the mouth and find that a 50' wharf jutting out will give 8' at low water.

The telephone line which had parted where it crosses the Nyelang was re-erected.

I left for Binatang on the 2nd and heard a number of cases there, returning to Sibn on the 4th. Two Chinese were arrested for alleged false charges against a Malay.

There seems to be some feud on between Malays and Chinese in Binatang and a number of persons were fined.

The Resident left for Kuching on the 5th returning on the 14th. Mr. R. E. Le Suenr, Acting Assistant District Officer, Kapit, arrived on the 9th for medical treatment. Messrs. Binnie and Middlemas arrived on the 10th and stayed until 16th.

Mr. E. V. Andreini, Assistant District Officer, Sibn, visited Sarikei and Binatang during the month.

Two seaplanes and staffs belonging to Aerial Survey Company arrived during the month.

Mr. Binnie and Mr. Proudfoot arrived on 27th on Government business and were still here at the end of the month.

Mr. E. V. Andreini proceeded to the Binatang district on the 25th to investigate more trouble there between Dyaks and Foochows.

Mr. Kong Ah Fong, the Kheh and Cantonese representative on the Sibn Municipal Board, died on the 24th. He was a most useful member and his loss is much to be regretted.

Three inquests were held during the month.

**Police.**—The strength at the end of March was one sub-inspector, two sergeants, three corporals, eight lance-corporals, sixty-seven constables, and one detective. Two Dyak recruits joined during the month and none left. Four men were returned to Kuching after completing a year at Sibn, and three men who had been training in Kuching returned here.

An examination was held in reading and writing jawi and romanised.

Abang Adu Seman, Native Officer, and Abang Latip, Native Officer, have been attached to the Police in turn for duty.

The squads at Binatang and Sarikei were increased to one N.C.O. and five men each.

**Prisons.**—Average number of prisoners was 51. Twelve persons were imprisoned consisting of six Foochows, two Dyaks, one Hokkien, one Melanau, one Henghua, and one Tamil. Six men were released.

The discipline was bad, eight men being whipped for breach of prison regulations.

Prisoners were employed on the usual work round the station.

**P.W.D.**—Mr. Binnie was in Sibn twice during the month and the bazaar drains were started again.

Sites were chosen for two bachelor bungalows in Sibn, two clerks' quarters in Binatang, two clerks' quarters in Sarikei, and one Forest Ranger's house in Sibn.

Work has begun on all except the last named. Work has also started on two new wards for the Sibn hospital.

The Aerial Survey Company moved in the temporary quarters built for them by Public Works Department.

The usual routine work was carried out during the month.

The waterworks is running as well as possible but the service is inadequate. A shipload of coal was sent up for the waterworks. A contract was signed to erect Survey Department quarters in Sibn.

#### LAND AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

The Acting Divisional Land Officer reports as follows:—

The Engkilo rentis is now finished and pegs are being put in at 5-chain intervals in the main east and west rentis, road reserves being left at half-mile intervals, and at 20-chain intervals in the north and south ones. This work should be finished in a day or so when the lots will be available for planters.

Mr. C. S. Griffiths went to Kuching on the 5th and Mr. C. E. Pascoe took over supervision of the office.

I was absent with a slight attack of influenza from the 8th to the 13th.

I took over from Mr. C. E. Pascoe on the 17th.

Quit rent payments have been coming in well all the month and the rush can be said to be over now.

#### Rejang.

March, 1926.

The District Officer reports as follows:—

**General.**—During the month the Divisional Treasurer, Mr. Jacques, visited Rejang, Dirau and Matu and went through the accounts of these places. His instructions to the Court Writers have been of great value in explaining various points in the new methods of keeping books.

The Resident of the Division also paid a visit to the district and inspected the site of the new station at Matu. I am of opinion that it will not be possible to carry through the whole of the programme proposed during this year owing to the shortage and high price of labour. Contracts made in 1924 and since held over cannot be enforced.

An appeal case arising from damage done to a Heang Fou's rubber plantation was held over for the hearing of a further case relating to same garden.

At Matu a man convicted of theft of jelutong was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. A number of cases relating to land were brought up for hearing. At Daro jungle was examined above Sangei Paning and leave was given to clear this for gardens.

Mr. Pascoe came from Sibn and laid out several "T" marks for the use of the aerial survey.

The dresser, Michael Tai, was recalled to Sibn during the month and has not been replaced.

### Kapit.

March, 1926.

The Acting Assistant District Officer reports as follows:—

**General.**—Mr. H. Jacques, Divisional Treasurer, arrived by the s.s. *Sarawak* on the 8th instant to explain the new system of accounts.

Chin Tamby and Awi, wireless operators, arrived on the 8th instant to relieve the former wireless operator. On the 9th instant Mr. R. E. Le Sneur, Assistant District Officer, accompanied by the Divisional Treasurer, left for Sibn by s.s. *Sarawak*.

The sum of \$12,000 was remitted to the Sibn Treasury during the month.

**Court.**—There has been practically no Court work during month. Fines and fees amounted to \$87.60.

**Sarawak Rangers.**—The usual parades and duties were carried out during the month.

**Prison.**—The prison gang, averaging 18, has been engaged on upkeep of the Station.

**Cattle.**—The herd numbered 16 at the end of the month.

**Public Works.**—The boat shed was repaired and the river on which it stands revetted. The pigeon house was re-roofed by the prison carpenter.

**Trade and Shipping.**—The s.s. *Sarawak* made four trips, s.l. *Soon Aik* two trips, and m.l. *Tama* one trip.

Exports for the month were as follows:—

Plantation Rubber	pls.	99.60	value	\$10,246
India Rubber	"	4.65	"	240
Gutta Percha	"	31.68	"	5,124
Damar Daging	"	146.58	"	3,495
Rotan Segu No. 1	"	123.00	"	700
" Tot No. 2	"	773.38	"	3,927
Kranji Fruit	"	15.01	"	308
Bilipe Nuts	"	26.10	"	250

The Divisional Medical Officer reports as follows:—

The number of in-patients treated at hospital during the month amounted to 105.

There were 779 out-patient attendances, being an average of 25 1 daily. 91 arsenical injections were given.

I regret to state that ten deaths occurred in hospital this month. Four being due to pneumonia, two to advanced phthisis, two to advanced dysentery and two to mitral disease.

In every case the patient on admission was either in a moribund condition or in an advanced stage of the disease, also the amount of patients treated is much greater in number than formerly.

Four operations were performed under general anaesthetic:—

- 2 Extensive wounds sutured.
- 1 Removal of supernumerary digit.
- 1 Incision of babo.

Twelve other operations were performed with local anaesthetic.

One post-mortem was performed during the month and four inquests were held, one on a Chinese who died from heart failure, the remainder being all cases of drowning.

870 vaccinations were done, several Melanau Kampongs near Telok Lubih being visited by a dresser.

From the 9th to the 18th I was absent from Sibn on a visit to the Coast Division to investigate the smallpox outbreak.

I inspected as many kampongs as was possible in the Oya and Mukah rivers, also the Cut and Igan, and on leaving was satisfied that the vast majority of the population had been vaccinated. The total vaccinations performed in the Coast Division this year being 16,715.

534 passengers of ships were examined, 167 being immigrants.

There has been an increase in respiratory affections this month, some cases of pneumonia being especially severe.

Dysentery is also on the increase to a small extent, due I have no doubt to the weather and the present appalling condition of the bazaar.

Figures relating to trade and shipping are as follows:—

#### 1. Coasting.

Imports valued	...	\$96,891
Exports "	...	31,638

#### 2. Foreign.

Imports valued	...	\$443,757
Exports "	...	348,488

#### I. Immigration.

Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
135	16	42	193

#### 2. Returned on passport.

Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
6	2	1	9

#### 3. Emigrants.

Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
151	20	13	184

H. B. CROCKER,  
Resident Third Division.

## COAST DIVISION.

Mukah and Balingian.

March, 1926.

**General.**—The event of the month was the visit of His Highness the Rajah and the Dayang Leonora in H. H. M. Y. *Maimuna* on the 18th. Their Highnesses' approach was heralded by a seaplane, piloted by Captain Gaskell of the Aerial Survey Company, which arrived from Bintulu about midday and landed on the river, causing much excitement amongst the native community, the majority of whom had never seen what they termed a *kapal belau*.

The motor yacht *Maimuna* being unable to cross the bar, His Highness, accompanied by the Dayang Leonora, Mrs. Rayham and Mrs. Gaskell, landed in the m.l. *Leonora* at 5 p.m., and were greeted by the Catholic Father, Native Officers, the leading Chinese merchants, Native Chiefs of the district and a large gathering of natives. His Highness afterwards walked through the bazaar amidst showers of crackers, and inspected the kampongs as far as the Telian main bridge.

The following day His Highness sat in Court and was pleased to inform the merchants that electric light for Mukah was contemplated provided they would share in the cost of installation.

In dealing with many requests from the leading natives for further water facilities, His Highness promised to consider the matter as soon as an equitable method of levying a water rate had been evolved.

Many of the village Chiefs petitioned His Highness for salaries and the Mosque officials asked for increases in their emoluments. Certain types of natives endeavoured to open up cases settled nearly twenty years ago and others applied for release from payment of exemption tax.

An imbecile, named Piut, was ordered to remain in his kampong under charge of relatives, and largesse was granted to some local blind men; no further business transpiring, His Highness proceeded to the local branch of the Roman Catholic Mission where he was shown around the new school buildings by the Rev. Father Quadekker. The same afternoon another seaplane arrived from Sibn piloted by Captain Rayham, who was accompanied by aerial photographer Mr. Andrews; after calling on His Highness the Rajah, Captain Rayham embarked Mrs. Rayham and Mrs. Gaskell in his machine and left for Sibn, followed a few minutes later by Captain Gaskell and Mr. Andrews in the other seaplane.

His Highness the Rajah, accompanied by the Dayang Leonora and myself, sailed for Kuching in H.M.Y. *Maimuna* on the 21st.

Datu Awang Udin reported his return from a visit to the interior Dyaks on the 2nd, and stated that all the smallpox cases were confined to Sungei Selangan, a branch stream on the true right bank of the Mukah River about four days' journey from Mukah.

Cadet Officer Mr. Arundell, accompanied by Native Officer Abang Haji Mohidin and vaccinator Cheng Geck Cheng, left for Balingian by the overland route via Siteng and Bawan in order to super-visit vaccination and deal with any outstanding Court work; they returned by sea on the 12th, and reported having vaccinated large numbers of Dyaks, chiefly in the Sungei Arip, and settled most of the Court cases.

On the morning of the 12th, the first flying machine ever seen locally passed over Mukah at a height of about 1,500 feet; this proved to be one of the Aerial Survey Company's machines proceeding from Miri to Sibn to engage in the aerial survey of the Rejang Delta.

On the 13th a number of schooners succeeded in entering the Mukah river with cargoes of foodstuffs; the shortage both here and at Belingian had become acute and as usual attempts were made to raise prices abnormally. Unfortunately these schooners had left Kuching over a month previously so most of the perishable goods had to be destroyed, and it was not until the end of the month that the situation had become normal.

The District Officer of Oya and Dalat came over on horseback on the 18th to meet His Highness the Rajah, and kindly took charge of affairs during my absence in Kuching.

I returned from short leave in Kuching on the 31st, and resumed duties from that date.

**Court.**—Owing to the Mohammedan fasting month, Ramadhan, few cases were brought before the Courts. Idir bin Iloh of Balingian was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for having wounded his wife and her paramour, Jimban, on discovering them in "flagrant delicto," the guilty parties who have since recovered were fined and the Tua Kampong was reprimanded for attempting to hush up this case.

Banying, the Tua Kampong of Tegah, was fined \$100 for evading vaccination himself after being repeatedly ordered to see that all his followers were vaccinated.

A property dispute and several sago boundary disputes were settled, and endeavours were made to discourage the rapid transfer of ancestral sago plantations to the rich Melanan moneylender class, but it is feared the majority of the people are determined to dispose of any sort of title they may have for ready cash, and no effort is made to clear or improve the plantation by either the smallholder or the moneylender, yet some of the latter are already in possession of as many as a dozen plantations in various parts of the district.

Tikam bin Jelib was fined for refusing to accompany Datu Awang Udin to the interior on his recent visit to the Dyak smallpox patients.

**Health.**—Datu Awang Udin returned from the interior on the 2nd and reported having discovered twenty-nine cases of smallpox with six deaths amongst the Dyaks of Sungei Selangan, a branch on the true right bank of the Mukah River. Most of the people had taken refuge in the jungle, but the vaccinator who accompanied the Datu reports that he has isolated these twenty-nine cases locally and succeeded in vaccinating 902 persons.

The new Dresser, Ahmat Chee, was laid up with fever since his return from smallpox duty at Dalat, and as there were many applicants for vaccination the work had to be done by clerk W. Chua Tambi, and the Reverend Father Quadekker very kindly assisted by vaccinating many of the bazaar Chinese and Telian Melanans.

It was found necessary to fine the Chief of Kampong Tega, whose kampong had been twice visited by the Datu and a vaccinator, and all persons reported vaccinated, the Chief was, however, found to have succeeded in evading this vaccination.

The Divisional Medical Officer, Doctor L. B. Haye, was asked to come over by bicycle from Oya on the 15th to inspect the district and work of the vaccinators; the doctor himself vaccinated 300 persons in the local villages, but owing to a septic foot and the illness of the dresser he was obliged to return to Sibn on the 17th.

Native Officer Abang Haji Mohidin supervised the vaccination of another 200 persons in Kampong Abdul Hamid, and Mr. Arundell supervised the vaccination of over 200 persons in Kampong Judan.

**Public Works.**—The Tamil labour gang was employed clearing the old Kuala road and cutting drains in swampy parts of the station grounds.

The prisoners, averaging 10-22 men, whitewashed No. 1 bungalow where necessary, and worked on the general upkeep of the grounds around the Government station.

The people of Kampongs Haji Hussin, Haji Matair, and Haji Dullah turned out en masse and thoroughly repaired the roads through their respective villages and raised all such roads above flood level. The people of the Upper Telian and Petanak Kampongs turned out and cleared the new road which carries the water main from the Petanak Intake.

**Cattle.**—Owing to the numerous deaths amongst the calves and the poor condition of the herd, it was deemed advisable to discharge cowman Samat, and engage a Tamil Indian to look after the cattle in future; the herd now numbers 17 head.

**Forest.**—The Assistant Conservator, Third and Coast Divisions, visited the district on the 11th and selected a Forest Reserve at Sungei Skei, inspected various jelutong workings, and checked the Forest accounts to date; he left for Sibn on the 17th.

**Divisional Treasury.**—The Divisional Treasury Clerk, Francis N. Lim, returned from headquarters on the 22nd after handing in the completed Coast Divisional Accounts for the first half of the year 1925.

**Trade and Shipping.**—The trade returns for the month are as follows:—

Coasting Imports.		Coasting Exports.	
Mukah	\$39,757	Mukah	\$54,713
Balingian	20,435	Balingian	15,345

The principal exports are as follows:—

Mukah G. Jelutong	1980 piculs	...	\$34,440
" Raw sago	145 koyans	...	17,300
Balingian Jelutong	926 "	...	15,780

The rainfall record shows 16.19 inches

#### Oya and Dalat.

March, 1926.

The District Officer, Mr. P. M. Adams, reports as follows:—

**Court.**—No cases call for special comment under this heading.

**General.**—Complaints were made against T.K. Bujang of Bakong and, though there is reason to believe that this man is unsuitable for the post of T.K., the witnesses broke down under cross examination.

Communication with Kuching direct reopened and several schooners entered and cleared. The bazaars were almost empty of necessities so that the arrival of the schooners was particularly welcome. The opportunity too was taken to ship jelutong whilst the price was still high.

On the 18th I rode over to Mukah to meet H. H. the Rajah.

I returned on the 20th accompanied by Mr. Arundel who returned to Mukah on the 22nd.

The Acting Divisional Officer accompanied His Highness to Kuching. Oya people were very impressed by the novel sight of two seaplanes flying over the station on their way from Miri to Sibu.

**Marine.**—The m.t. *Leonora* was painted and returned to Mukah on the 15th. The use of her has been greatly appreciated.

**P.W.D.**—Progress on the new Court House has been such that the building will probably be completed by the end of April. It was feared at one time that we were short of belian timber but this difficulty has been overcome.

Thanks to co-operation of the Shipping Master and the District Officer, Bintulu, 20,000 belian attaps were unloaded from the s.s. *Sulong* off Kuala Oya.

Minor repairs were effected to the Native Officer's house at Dalat.

**Health.**—Most of the time has been taken up with preventing the spreading of the smallpox epidemic at Dalat.

The D.M.O. Sibu arrived at Dalat on the 9th. He inspected and approved of the steps taken to isolate the patients.

One more case was reported on the day of the D.M.O.'s arrival and had obviously been hidden until then.

The Court Writers have vaccinated 1,149 people since the epidemic started. It is thought that with the exception of some Dyaks in the interior very few people have succeeded in evading vaccination.

The isolation camp was abandoned and the huts destroyed on the 24th. It seems safe to report that Dalat is now free from smallpox. The vaccinator, accompanied by police, was sent to the interior to investigate the extent of the epidemic amongst the Dyaks and reports all clear.

The D.M.O. went to Mukah on the 15th.

**Forest.**—The Assistant Conservator, Mr. McLeod, visited the district from the 9th to 11th.

**Prison.**—Prisoners averaged 11 and were employed on general upkeep.

**Trade.**—395 piculs of jelutong and 242 koyans of raw sago were exported to Kuching.

Trade returns were.—

Exports	...	\$126,463.50
Imports	...	24,267.42

**Shipping.**—Four motor schooners and six schooners entered, and three motor schooners and six schooners cleared during the month.

#### Bintulu.

March, 1926.

The District Officer of Bintulu reports as follows:—

**General.**—His Highness the Rajah was pleased to visit this Station and, with Dayang Leonora, arrived in the H.H.M.Y. *Maimuna* on the morning of the 16th. The tide was low, but the sea was very calm and His Highness and the Dayang were able to come ashore in the motor *Nellie*. The *Maimuna* proceeding to Miri to bunker fuel oil.

On landing His Highness was met by Dato Haji Abdullah, the Tua Kampongs, Government servants and all the principal traders.

The following day His Highness again met these and a representative gathering of the people in the fort. All were invited to speak on any matters they wished. The Tua Kampongs asked for pay. The Chinese asked that the Government keep more money on hand, so that they might draw on this, through their towkays in Kuching, for trading purposes, also that a larger supply of subsidiary coinage be kept, also for sites for new shops.

Some Kadayans asked to plant rubber. The usual request was once more heard from a couple of Dyaks *minta surat swapang*.

His Highness walked through the bazaars and conversed with several of the shopkeepers. He also visited the Chinese school which had only lately been reopened after a closure of nearly three years.

During the afternoon a message came from Miri to look out for a seaplane due to pass about 4 o'clock bound for Sibu and to telegraph Sibu if it was sighted. Shortly after 4 o'clock the plane arrived and after having encircled the Station flew on down the coast. At about 4.30 p.m. it returned and coming down on the river ran up on the beach quite close to the bungalow. Captain S. H. Gaskell was taking this plane to Sibu where aerial survey work is being done for the Government and was accompanied by Mrs. Gaskell and Mrs. Rayham, but encountering thick weather and having a dicky propeller decided to come down here and finish the journey on the morrow.

The arrival of the seaplane caused great excitement amongst the natives. All that evening and the next morning until the plane left the kampongs were entirely emptied the inhabitants all being on the beach looking for their first time, at the seaplane, or *kapal bulau* as they called it.

Captain Gaskell very kindly gave the District Officer a chance to view Bintulu from the air. He then left at 10 o'clock for Mukah and took Mr. R. V. Palfreman, Assistant District Officer of Tatan, who was returning to his Station, as far as the mouth of that river.

His Highness the Rajah, Dayang Leonora, Mrs. Raviam and Mrs. Gaskell, sailed for Mukah in H.H.M.Y. *Maimuna* at 11 o'clock on the 18th.

The s.s. *Sulong* passed here northbound on 25th February; she only returned on the 6th of this month, when she stopped a few hours off the Kuala to load 20,000 attaps for Oya. She had not arrived here again by the end of the month. It is fortunate the Sarawak Steamship Company run their ships pretty regularly, or mails for this Station, any way, would be very few and far between; as it is, mails sent by s.s. *Auby* come via Lumbang and



Miri, and if by s.s. *Gladys* usually via Miri. The p.s. *Adeh* when on the run nearly always made her two trips a month.

Application has been made by a firm of Tatau Chinese to erect a sawmill at the mouth of the Jelai River, just below the Government Station. The matter has been referred to the Chief Secretary.

**Courts.**—There has been slightly more work in the Courts this month. One, Gemok, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for non-payment of *brian*; Kit Ann was fined \$25 for breach of Order XLV11, 1924; Kedi and Dani nine months each for deliberately hiding in the kampongs persons infected with smallpox; Atong six months for not immediately reporting a case of smallpox in his house; Savas one year for hiding a smallpox corpse in his house and burying it secretly. Two Chinese were fined for assault.

**Health.**—The health of the District has very greatly improved. With the exception of the above-mentioned cases of smallpox, which had been brought back to the kampongs from padi farms, no new cases have occurred for some time. Sulai, the telephone linesman, is recovering but his wife has died. There are still eleven cases in the isolation camp here but most of these will be discharged shortly. Dresser Benjamin, from Pandan, and Augustus Chai, from Sebauh, report that their isolation camps are empty and that no more new cases are occurring. The former was ordered to go up river to Tubau and vaccinate all Kayans, Penans and others there. He has returned and reports that he was unable to vaccinate any of these people. They all refused vaccination when Dresser Senada was sent there last August, they again refuse on the grounds of their being busy on their farms, etc.. Practically all the Dyaks in this river submitted to vaccination and this without the slightest doubt saved possibly hundreds of lives. Fortunately the disease has not spread further up river than Labang. When I can get away to visit Tubau I will take a dresser and vaccinate the Kayans and Penans. Dressers up river at Sebauh and Pandan have vaccinated 1,041 persons during the month and Dresser Senada here has done 416. This brings the total number of vaccinations to 10,095.

**Public Works.**—The bungalow pangkalan has been completed. Work on the Forest Bungalow has progressed very rapidly and this building will be ready for occupation by the end of April. The house for a Customs Officer is nearly finished. Work on the runway to the new wharf has been started. The planking and glegars for this new wharf have been ordered from the Dyaks and will be coming in by the time the piles are driven. The material for the Customs shed and enclosure should arrive from Kuching shortly.

**Trade.**—The trade of the district seems to be steadily improving. Jelutong has reached the highest price ever known here before and has been bought for as much as \$23 per picul. This high price, however, has its disadvantages, as unless the Forest Department continually inspect the jelutong roads, I am afraid a great many trees will be killed by workers with "the get rich quick idea." They can afford to pay almost any fine for trees ruined with the price at \$22 and \$23 per picul. I have sent all the Forest Guards out examining roads. The working of belian timber and belian attaps is also increasing enormously. Local merchants are making contracts to supply attaps, I believe one hundred *laksa*, for the use of various rubber estates in B.N.B. The Brunei Government are also I believe in contract for a considerable number of attaps.

I am doing my best to improve the standard of these belian attaps. It has improved somewhat, but not enough considering the price of this commodity.

There is still far too large a percentage of worthless wood hidden in each bundle. The remedy lies in the hands of the buyers and they have been informed now that they must examine the attaps they purchase and prosecute those who cheat them; in the same manner as, not long ago, they had to examine jelutong bought, to stop the adulteration.

A contract has just been let to a Tatau firm of Chinese to supply the Public Works Department, Kuching, with 350 tons of various sized belian timber. A previous contract to supply Sibiu with certain belian posts, etc., has been practically completed, and the wood will be ready for removal almost immediately.

With jelutong at a high price and plenty of work for others in the belian line, there is work for all, and it is most difficult to even engage casual labour, while to find persons to become policemen, mowers, gardeners, etc., is absolutely impossible.

Application has been made by Bintulu Chinese for a site for four new shops. This site has been chosen and difficult negotiations with two native holders who own very ramshackle buildings on it are progressing.

The trade returns for the month are as follows:—

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Imports ...	\$54,589.40	\$32,942.86	\$28,583.89
Exports ...	82,463.67	49,813.62	34,456.24

The following vessels entered and cleared the port during the month:—

Entered steamers	4	schooners	1
Cleared ..	5	..	2

The rainfall was 11.08 inches.

#### Tatau.

March, 1926.

The Assistant District Officer, Tatau, Mr. Pal-freman, reports as follows:—

On February the 17th I left for Penjarai, in company with Native Officer Abang Bojeng, in order to investigate certain rumours that had been received, and stayed there three nights; during my investigations various tracks were found around the Punan house, but the persons causing these tracks are still unknown, it appears, however, that a party of Dyaks are roving round with intentions none too good. On February 21st I left for the *ulu* Penjarai and slept the night at the Bukitan's house there, the next day leaving overland for Banyeng's house in the *ulu* Anap. Here a few cases were brought before me and duly settled. After a stay of two nights I left for the Pelagus by boat, arriving at Dana's house in the *ulu* Selai on the 27th, the Dyaks here are Batang Rejang Dyaks and are farming in Anap territory; a full report and map concerning this matter has already been forwarded to the District Officer, Bintulu, under separate cover.

Leaving Dana's house on the 1st of March I arrived at Banyeng's house on the 3rd and proceeded down the Anap and investigated certain rumours rife amongst the Dyaks, some of which there is no doubt are true; a full report concerning the whole of these matters has already been forwarded to the District Officer, Bintulu, under separate cover.

During my visit to the Pelagus, Penghulu Tamboh and Penghulu Bunyah accompanied me, the Native Officer, Abang Bojeng, being left at the Punan house in the Kakus to keep an eye on the affairs there, he had, however, arrived at the Court House, Tatau, some time before my return.

I arrived at Tatan on the 5th and left again for Bintulu on the 13th to discuss certain matters with the District Officer, Bintulu. These matters having been dealt with, and thanks to the kindness of Captain Gaskell, I returned to the mouth of the Tatau river by seaplane and thence to the Court

House, Tatau, by boat, arriving back on the 18th. In order to deal with, certain matters up river I am leaving again for the *ulu* Anap on the 24th and expect to be away some 10 or 15 days.

**Court.**—There were no cases of any importance whatsoever during the month.

**P.W.D.**—The prisoners are still engaged on clearing the site for the Wireless Station, and arrangements are being made for the kampong people to assist in this work, since the prisoners by themselves are insufficient.

The Chinese here were ordered to rebuild a "kongsi rest house" since this house was in a very bad state of repair, they have already started this work and it should not be long before the repairs are completed.

**Health.**—From various reports received there appears to be a considerable amount of venereal disease among the Dyaks below the Court House, it is, however, impossible to do anything in the matter since the actual Dyaks infected will not admit they are ill, otherwise the health of the district remains good.

**General.**—During the month a woman by name Indai Lamban of Penghulu Banyah's house was taken by a crocodile whilst cutting vegetables on the river side close by her house. This is the second person taken by crocodiles in this river during the last four months.

**Shipping.**—On the 23rd the Sarawak Oilfields Steamship *Burong* entered the port to load belian and up to date of my departure for up river had not cleared the port.

#### TRADE.

Imports \$5,697.60; Exports \$533.57.

W. F. DE V. SKRINE,  
Acting Divisional Officer.

### FOURTH DIVISION.

#### Miri.

March, 1926.

**Court.**—Fewer cases than usual (78 in all) came before the Courts for hearing during the month. Two Malays were sentenced to terms of imprisonment for absconding. These men were arrested in Labuan. A Chinese coolie was imprisoned for criminal impersonation. In the Resident's Court a charge of assault preferred by a native against a European was dismissed.

**P.W.D.**—The work of ballasting and asphaltting the Court road was taken in hand, but work has been delayed by shortage of stone.

Necessary repairs to the Gymkhana Club Road bridge were effected. A contract was signed for scavenging the bazaars. This work has been done by prison gangs, but this is not possible at present. A well was sunk for the use of the Wireless Station and Forestry Checking Station and a good supply of water has been obtained. Contracts were signed for clerks' quarters, police barracks, and native officer's house at Niah. Work was started on a new pork market at Miri, and contract signed for the erection of Sikh police barracks.

**General.**—The Baram launch *La Follette* was up on the Company slip-way for repairs as she had developed a leak. The hull is fairly sound but the age of the launch necessitates continual attention, and there is no doubt that it is economically unsound to continue to expend money for repairs to this vessel.

M.L. *Irene* made two trips to Niah and Sibuti with the lighter. H.H.M.Y. *Maimunah* arrived from Bintulu on the night of the 16th, sailing the following day after bunkering.

On the 12th instant I inspected the Rangers and Police on parade. It is quite impossible to get any degree of smartness without a band of some description, more especially as the parades are held on a grass ground and the men are bare-footed. I propose therefore to re-introduce fifes and drums.

The news of the death of His Excellency The Governor of British North Borneo was received on the morning of the 5th instant. The flag at the Government Offices staff was half-masted.

The two seaplanes left here for Sibiu to start survey work in the Third Division.

I left for Baram on the 19th instant, accompanied by Dr. Farquharson, who had just returned from the north. I was still away at the end of the month.

Amongst other visitors to the Station were the Right Reverend the Bishop of Labuan and Sarawak, Mr. and Mrs. Aplin, Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter, Mr. Fischer of the Philippines Forestry Department, Messrs. Waley Cohen, Holl, Gild, and General Powell.

April, 1926.

**Courts.**—Fines and fees in the Miri Courts amounted to \$518. There were no cases of any importance.

One appeal was entered against a decision of the District Officer.

Two inquests were held during the month. The body of a male child was found in a basket on the beach at Tanjung Lobang. Medical evidence proved that the child did not die of drowning, though the body had been washed up from the sea. The cause of death was not known. No further evidence is forthcoming as yet. The mutilated body of a Chinese coolie was discovered in the river at Pujut. This coolie had been missing for four days when his body was found. The Coroner's jury brought in a verdict of wilful murder against some person or persons unknown. Several arrests have been made and inquiries are being prosecuted.

**Medical.**—The Tua Kampong of Suai reported the death of a Bintulu man at Suai. This man arrived at Suai suffering from smallpox and was promptly isolated. Eighteen persons have died at Suai, but no more cases have been reported. One case occurred at Miri on the 10th instant, the man being a member of the crew of a vessel which had lately returned from Bintulu. He was at once isolated on the Peninsula and died on the 19th. No other cases have occurred.

Haji Marais of Bintulu was reported for deliberately ignoring the quarantine notice at the mouth of the Suai, and proceeding direct to the kampong. This man was arrested and has since been heavily fined.

Neither at Niah nor at Sibuti have there been any cases of smallpox.

**Forestry.**—Mr. Corson, Assistant Conservator of Forestry Fourth and Fifth Divisions, visited Baram, Miri, Sibuti and Niah during the month, returning north by s.s. *Marudu* on the 28th.

**Monopolies.**—The non-arrival of opium shipped by a motor schooner which sailed from Kuching for Sibuti on the 11th resulted in a shortage of supplies at Miri. A small stock was sent up from Niah and Sibuti on the 13th, but this was completely exhausted by the time s.l. *Lucile* arrived from Kuching on the 18th with a further 10,000 packets. The *La-Follette*, which had been sent from Baram to meet the *Lucile* unfortunately passed her at night between Miri and Kidurong.

This further supply was finished on the 20th on which date I was advised from Sibuti of the arrival of the motor schooner with the original consignment, which reached here by launch on the following day. The non-arrival of this consignment within a reasonable time caused a good deal of anxiety here.

*P.W.D.*—In consequence of a landslip, it was found necessary to empty the reservoir. The opportunity was taken to lift part of the main and clean out the pipes. This work was not completed at the end of the month.

One block of Clerks' Quarters was completed, but the work was so badly done that the full contract price was not paid. Work on the Court Road and on the Fork Market is held up for lack of stone, there having been no Government vessel here since the 2nd.

*General.*—I returned from Baram on the 5th instant and left for Niah on the 11th. On the 13th I went on to Sibuti, spending Hari Raya there and returning to Miri on the 15th.

There were a few petty cases for settlement. Whilst at Sibuti, at the request of the Tua Kampong, an order was issued prohibiting the use of "tuba" in the Satap stream or tributaries.

Haji Dulgapar, for many years Tua Kampong of Bungai, is now too decrepit to attend to his duties and will be relieved as soon as possible by a younger man. Haji Dulgapar moved to Bungai from Brunei territory about 40 years ago and confidently asserts that his age is now 120!

*s.s. Sulong* arrived from Kuching on the 2nd and *s.s. Auby* on the 21st. The *s.s. Gladys* called on her way to Baram on the 30th.

Offices were closed on the 2nd, 3rd, and 5th, and again on Hari Raya, the 14th.

Mr. and Mrs. Aplin returned from north on the 16th and left for Kuching with Mr. Dick on the 26th. *s.l. Lucile* was towed over the bar on the 26th and left for Kuching, having been held up in the river since the 18th.

### Baram.

March, 1926.

The Acting District Officer of Baram reports as follows:—

*Travelling.*—I went up the Akah by boat as far as Long Sinai and from there walked overland to Long Sait, thence by boat down the Selungan and up the main river to Lio Mato. One of the boats was split and swamped while passing rocks on the way up; luckily the river was low at the time or the accident might have been more serious, occurring as it did after dark.

The Kayans and Kenyahs appear to be getting a good harvest, more especially the latter.

I returned to Baram on the 13th instant.

Mr. Woodward left for the Ulu Tatau on the 26th accompanied by the Assistant Native Officer, Wan Mahomat. The purpose of the visit was to meet the Penans. Mr. Woodward was still away at the end of the month.

*Court.*—During my visit up river Tama Unyang Lah of Akah was fined for gross contempt of Government Orders. He had previously been fined for a similar offence in 1923. Tama Uhlau Paran was also fined for insulting Penghulu Tama Wan Bayar while travelling under the Government flag. Two men were sentenced to terms of imprisonment for swindling Kayans. A Chinese was fined for failing to keep his trading accounts in a proper manner.

Three Dyaks found living in Kayan country contrary to regulations were sentenced to terms of imprisonment.

Lance-Corporal Lias of Baram Police was reduced in rank for gross neglect of duty.

*Medical.*—Reports of a fresh outbreak of small-pox in the Tinjar were received early in the month. Ten persons are said to have died. Four in-patients and 57 out-patients were treated at the hospital, 26 of the latter being for N.A.B. injections.

*P.W.D.*—The prison gangs finished the raising of the bazaar road and cleared ground near the boat-shed. A start was made with Lubok Nibong Road, which is in danger of disappearing altogether if not taken in hand. In order to complete the work outside labour will have to be procured.

Buildings for the wireless station were completed by the contractor early in the month, but the work has been so badly done and the buildings are so unsatisfactory that payment in full has been withheld pending a detailed examination.

*General.*—Mr. P. E. Cox of the Wireless Department arrived on the 8th to supervise the erection of the new wireless station.

Dresser Segili relieved Dresser Reggie, who returned to headquarters. The Resident Fourth Division arrived from Miri on the 19th, accompanied by Dr. Farquharson, the latter leaving on the 22nd. Wireless communication was established on the 23rd.

Other visitors to the station were Messrs. Mc Gowen, Weigall, and Hamilton, the latter having taken over charge of the sawmills at Bakong.

Only '66 inches of rain were recorded during the month.

*Trade and Shipping.*—*s.s. Gladys* arrived here on her first trip for the year on the 8th and sailed on the 14th with a full cargo.

	Exports.	Imports.
March, 1926	... \$97,321	\$32,725
" 1925	... 97,862	24,980
Total Value.		
1926	\$133,129	\$48,756
1925	134,335	39,491

April, 1926.

In the absence of the Acting District Officer, Mr. W. F. Dick, Mr. E. M. Woodward, Cadet, reports as follows:—

*Court.*—Bandi fined \$25, damaging rubber trees; Sambang imprisoned 3 months overstaying on his pass; Mok Sam fined \$25, and Ho Sek (prisoner) one month's extra sentence, breach of prison regulations. Bukol fined \$15, travelling without a pass. Fines and Fees amounted to \$687.53.

*General.*—On the 1st instant I was at Long Malinau (about 2 days by prau up the Tatau River), where I had arrived three or four days previously with the Native Officer, Tuanku Mohamat, to meet the Tatau Penans. There was heavy rain every day and the river was in flood, and this meant that many of the Penans did not arrive. However, on the 1st instant there were 52 of them present and to celebrate the occasion a "main" was held in the Kubu, which was being built by Penghulu Tama Tengan Malang's men. Oyau Amat, the Penan Penghulu, did not bring very much this time in the way of rubber, jungle produce, or mats with which to barter with the Kayans, but informed me that all his people were well and free from sickness. These Penans are becoming more accustomed to the sight of strangers and when they have learnt to use a "prau" more efficiently will no doubt have the courage, and Government will probably be able to persuade them, to come down to Baram to pay in their tax instead of paying it through the Kayans as they do at present. On the 3rd instant I was met by *s.l. La Follette* at Batu Blah, and Dresser Sejili vaccinated 48 of Tama Paya Anyi's people from the Apoh.

The outstanding item of importance has been the ever increasing shortage of provisions and foodstuffs in the bazaar owing to the non-arrival of a boat from Kuching, where the Chinese have most of their credit. On the 15th instant the shortage became acute and there was a consequent increase in prices. This procedure considerably embarrassed the natives who as a result suffered undeservedly while the Chinese benefited financially by the shortage. This inconvenient state of affairs was apparently the result of certain differences of opinion between Messrs. Sarawak Steamship Co., Ltd., and the Chinese traders here.

Hari Raya was ushered in by the usual firing of crackers, and by illuminations at night. At 8 a.m. on the 14th instant a salute of seven guns was fired and the Malay community visited Mr. W. F. Dick's bungalow. Later in the day Mr. W. F. Dick, Mr. T. A. Corson, and myself, visited the houses of the two Native Officers, Tuanku Drahman and Tuanku Mohamat and also Wan Taba. In the evening there was a "main" in the Fort in which Dyaks, Kayans, and Malays took part.

On the 20th instant 12 Kampar Dyaks informed the Acting District Officer that they were returning to Simanggang and taking 12 piculs of rubber with them to sell in Kuching because the local price of rubber was too low. It seems a pity that this procedure is not followed more often when the local price is too low.

On 22nd instant Galau, river agent, went up river to inspect further birds' nests caves at Long Palai, and to make preparations for the Acting District Officer's proposed trip to the Kalabit country.

On the 24th instant Thiam Jiew was transferred to Niah for 2 months and as no one has taken his place, most of the extra work devolves on the Head Clerk, Ah Bee.

The Resident was here on the 1st instant and left for Miri on the 5th. Mr. Corson arrived here on the 9th instant and left on the 17th. Mr. and Mrs. Aplin arrived here on the night of the 19th instant and left for Miri and Kuching on the 24th.

**Medical.**—One patient admitted and sixty out-patients treated during the month. Of these latter ten were Malays, thirty-nine Dyaks, nine Chinese, one European, and one Indian. Twenty-four N.A.B. injections were given during the month. One Dyak suffering from a cut wound was transferred to Miri hospital on the 24th instant.

**Forestry.**—356 logs were brought down from up river. On 19th instant the Apoh Kayans brought down four belian posts and twenty belian planks which have been used for renewing the Government wharf.

**Agriculture.**—Reports concerning padi indicate that a moderate harvest only is being reaped.

Rainfall was 3.26 inches.

**P. W. D.**—The prisoners have been working on the Lobok Nibong Road which badly needs re-making. Work was delayed for a few days during earlier part of the month owing to floods, but on the whole good progress has been made and over 100 fathoms of the road have been completed. The Foochow community offered to undertake the task of re-making this road but the terms of their contract were such that the Acting District Officer was unable to accept the offer.

**Police.**—Owing chiefly to the high price of rubber there is great difficulty in obtaining recruits for the police force. During the month P.C. Mamba resigned at his own request, and P.C. Sa'at was invalided from the force. Basri and Kanchil bin Dillab were recruited, but even so the strength of the force is still insufficient for the amount of work to be done. Corporal Rebi bin Drahman and P.C. Lias were transferred to Miri and L.-C. Tewit and

P.C. Saba have taken their places here. The Police Force now numbers thirteen, excluding four stationed at Bakong, two stationed at Long Akar, and two at Lio Mato.

**Telegraphs and Telephones.**—Owing to the frequent occasions on which the telephone line breaks down between here, and Miri the new wireless installation has been found to be more practicable and useful than the telephone. During the month 166 telegrams were received and 123 transmitted.

**Trade and Shipping.**—During the month s.l. *La Follette* made two trips to Miri, four as far as Kuala Baram, and one up river to Batu Blah. s.l. *Baby* made six trips to the Station, and on the 22nd instant s.l. *Anggas* arrived and the next day proceeded to Batu Blah to fetch the logging outfit of Messrs. Sarawak Oilfields, Ltd., who are closing down that station. On the 29th instant m.t. *Peter* arrived with 10 drums of fuel oil, and the next day m.l. *Irene* arrived from Miri towing a lighter with provisions.

	Imports.	Exports.
1925	\$48,258	\$65,471
1926	7,779	5,546
Total value to date:—		
1925	\$87,749	\$199,806
1926	56,535	138,675

H. L. OWEN,  
Resident Fourth Division.

## FIFTH DIVISION.

Limbang.

March, 1926.

**Court.**—Chan See was sentenced in the District Court to 18 months' R.I. for theft from a dwelling. A few days after his incarceration some of the missing property was found on his person. In the case of Matjair vs. Bangis, adjourned on the second ultimo, the charge of theft of a buffalo against defendant was dismissed. In the Magistrate's Court some excitement was created by one Salleh bringing an action for assault against three men and a woman. All parties, who were from Limpaku Penang, were fined nominal sums and ordered to produce sureties to be of good behaviour for six months.

In the Civil Courts there have been a number of claims against buffalo owners for damage done by their beasts to gardens. The same old question ever arises, should owners of gardens fence them off against the buffaloes, or the owners of the buffaloes fence their beasts in? Not until it is possible to make a correct census of buffaloes and a proper survey of the district whereby it can be calculated accurately how much land should be set aside for grazing grounds, will it be settled.

**Prison.**—Eng Watt, Chroyo, Awang and Abmat, prisoners who broke away from the gang on the 21st ultimo, have all been recaptured. Three were arrested on Batu Apoi Estate on information given by the Manager to the Brunei Police, and one had found his way back to the Lawas (Sarawak) Rubber Estate, the scene of the crime for which he was undergoing a term of imprisonment at the time of his escape. All prisoners have been brought up in Court and sentenced to extra imprisonment and a flogging. The *mandor*, largely through whose stupidity these men were allowed to escape, has been dismissed.

**Medical.**—Dr. Farquharson arrived by the *Auby* on the 9th to look into Divisional medical affairs

He inspected the new hospital buildings and the bazaar. He also visited Lawas, Trusan and Sundar, returning to Miri via Labuan, where he called officially on Dr. Furnivall.

**Travelling.**—I went over to Labuan on the 9th for the night calling in at Brooketon on my return, where I left instructions for the two large Lancashire boilers to be got ready for towing. I visited Lawas from the 25th to 28th, when I had an opportunity of being shown over the new jelutong refinery by Mr. Gild.

**Marine.**—It was necessary to telegraph to the Shipping Master for certain spares for the *Sylvia*. Whilst she is out of action I have been using the *Saripah*, which launch is now running quite well.

**General.**—At the kind invitation of His Highness the Sultan, I went over to Brunei to be present at a farewell tiffin given in honour of Mr. Pretty, the British Resident, who was going on furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Aplin arrived by the *Sulong* on the 31st for a visit before proceeding north via Labuan. The rainfall recorded is 2.95 inches.

Owing to the continued spell of dry weather the hill padi and that planted late in the swamp has failed.

Matusin, the Tuan Belal and Tuah of Mengsita, died on the 22nd from cancer.

**Public Works.**—The road coolies have been working on the 3rd and 5th mile rounds and have cleaned out the reservoir, which has been dry for some time.

The prisoners have painted new blinds for His Highness the Rajah's bungalow at Brooketon, cleared sites for two new clerks' quarters, pulled down the old boat shed and started raising a site for a new one, and carried material for the contractor to site of the new Malay Court House and School. They also rebuilt with nibong the *Sylvia's* pengkalan.

**Shipping and Trade.**—Fifty head of cattle were exported to Kuching.

The *Sulong* called in twice from Kuching and the *Auby* once from Singapore. The launches *Peter Duff* and *Kwong Yick* made two and four trips respectively.

Below are the trade returns:—

	Exports.	Imports.
Foreign ...	\$30,988	\$23,051
Coasting ...	3,617	6,807
	\$34,605	\$29,858
Brought forward	51,488	54,077
Total to date ...	\$86,093	\$83,933
1925 ...	64,120	62,371

**Lawas and Trusan.**

*February, 1926.*

**Court.**—Court work was very light during the month, most of the people being away on their farms. Chia Teck Choon and Sidik were sentenced to one month for breach of Customs Regulations. A Murut slave case was adjourned for further inquiries to be made.

**Crime.**—On the night of 15th it was reported that a Javanese coolie named Adul was going round armed with a knife looking for one of the *mandors*. Police were sent to arrest him. Later a preliminary inquiry was held and Adul was remanded in custody to await trial by the Resident's Court.

**Prisoners.**—The prisoners, averaging 13, were employed on the roads for the greater part of the month. Later they dug another well at the foot of the hill behind the Fort.

**Public Works.**—All bridges round the station were repaired. Culverts have been reduced in size to five planks only and the sides boarded up. A culvert on the road beyond the *padang* was filled in as it appeared to be unnecessary. Muruts turned out for work on the swampy part at the end of the Gaya road. The jungle was felled for a distance of two fathoms from the side of the road which was then corduroyed. Orders were given for a strip of jungle to be felled on each side of the Trusan road. This work will be undertaken by the Muruts living on the roadside. The people of Kampong Gelapas, Trusan, were ordered to fell all their trees within two fathoms of the road. In the past they have frequently been told to keep these trees clear of overhanging branches but have taken no notice, the road being completely covered over in places.

No tenders have as yet been forthcoming for the erection of the new buildings or construction of new roads sanctioned for this year.

**Travelling.**—Datu Haji Moasil, Native Officer, and Ah Lan, book-keeper, arrived from Limbang on 3rd. The Datu came over in connection with the division of the estate of Bilio Usman, late Tua Kampong of Silateng, while Ah Lan examined the Treasury books.

**Agriculture.**—The Lawas (Sarawak) Rubber Estates, Ltd., exported 27,336 lbs. of dry rubber to Labuan. The padi crop has been practically ruined by the long drought and the harvest will be very poor for the third year in succession.

Forty-nine occupation tickets to plant rubber were issued at Lawas during the month.

**Rainfall.**—The drought continued throughout the month, the water shortage becoming acute. After two failures owing to rock the prisoners dug another well behind the Fort which relieved the situation somewhat. The bazaar and kampong people have all been busy digging wells but only about one in five is successful. Fortunately there has been no sickness of any kind, the health of the community being remarkably good. The rainfall recorded was as under:—

Lawas ...	1.46 inches
Lawas Estate ...	.70 "
Trusan ...	.79 "

**Shipping.**—M.L. *Adie* made three trips from Labuan during the month and s.l. *Peter Duff* one. The usual *tongkang* service was maintained.

**General.**—On 24th I received information from Limbang that four prisoners, all of them from Lawas, had escaped. All sub-stations were warned and a guard posted at Kuala Trusan. One of the men, Ahmat, was recaptured on the estate on 28th. Brauk was sent up river to warn the Muruts, but just after he had left news came through that the other three had been recaptured.

Mr. G. F. W. Clifford, Manager of the Lawas (Sarawak) Rubber Estates, Ltd., returned from home leave on 28th.

**Trade.**—The Trade Returns for the month are as follows:—

FOREIGN.		
	Imports.	Exports.
<b>Lawas.</b>		
February, 1926 ...	\$15,235	\$48,538
" 1925 ...	10,472	25,852
<b>Trusan.</b>		
February, 1926 ...	\$ 9,035	\$12,977
" 1925 ...	5,600	11,070

## COASTING.

## Lawas.—

February, 1926 ...	\$ 898	\$ 1,004
„ 1925 ...	249	541

## Trusan.—

February, 1926 ...	\$ 2,378	\$ 987
„ 1925 ...	662	935

## March, 1926.

The Acting Assistant District Officer reports as follows:—

**Court.**—In the Resident's Court at Lawas a Javanese coolie named Adul was sentenced to eighteen months' R.I. for criminal intimidation. In the Magistrate's Court, Lawas, Phan Bong, Nudin, and Gapar were fined \$5 and Liow Kheh \$10 for breach of Forest Regulations, and two runaway Javanese coolies were imprisoned for travelling without passes. At Trusan twenty-one persons were summoned for not having felled their trees by the road side and fines amounting to \$171 were imposed. Four Chinese and six Muruts were fined for brawling during Chinese New Year, one of the Chinese being fined \$20 in addition for contempt of Court. Ateng Salleh and Asak Sarong were fined \$15 and \$10 for breach of Arms Order. Tax defaulters were summoned and fined. There were several minor cases which do not call for mention. At Sundar there were a few minor cases, mostly for breach of buffalo regulations.

**Prisoners.**—The prison gang, averaging nine, was employed erecting a barbed wire fence round the cattle ground, re-erecting the stable for the mare and in the general upkeep of the station.

**Public Works.**—A contractor came over from Labuan and professed his willingness to take up all the contracts in this district. On being told that his estimate of \$160 per chain, exclusive of stumping, for the Gaya Road extension was absurd, he returned to Labuan, since when nothing has been heard of him. A new wharf was erected at Lawas.

Thirty-five chengal posts were purchased at Trusan for repairs to bridges, and the planks worked by Punang Malays were delivered. The Lawas Muruts have not yet finished harvesting, so their quota of posts has not been brought in. No coolies for road work were forthcoming.

**Travelling.**—The Resident visited Lawas on 24th, returning to Limbang via Kayangaran on 27th. On 8th I walked to Trusan, measuring all bridges that require repairing. On 10th I heard that Dr. Farquharson and Mr. Anderson were due at Lawas on 12th. I accordingly went down to Sundar on the afternoon of 11th and on to Lawas on 12th in order to meet them. On 14th we went to Trusan via Sundar and on 15th we came down to Sundar again for the night. On 16th Dr. Farquharson left for Limbang in the *Sylvia* whilst Mr. Anderson and I went down to Awat-Awat in the *Saripah*. Early

on 17th we returned to Lawas, Mr. Anderson stopping until 21st. On 31st, the launch being out of order, I went down to Kayangaran in the evening in order to get an early start for Merapok next day. During Mr. Anderson's stay we visited Melipat, returning the same day.

**Agriculture.**—The Lawas Sarawak Rubber Estates, Ltd., exported 36,158 lbs. of dry rubber to Labuan during the month. As was expected the padi crop is very poor owing to drought, but I am told that the Muruts in the Ulu Trusan, who harvested earlier, have had a fair crop.

**Rainfall.**—The drought continued but towards the end of the month there were indications of its breaking before long. The rainfall recorded was as under:—

Lawas ...	1.99 inches.
Lawas Estate ...	2.83 „
Trusan ...	2.56 „

**Health.**—During his stay Dr. Farquharson was unable to find any mosquitoes at Lawas, due no doubt to the fact that their breeding places have all dried up. He made various suggestions regarding drainage which have all been carried out. Yaws is prevalent at Trusan and dysentery at Sundar where water is unobtainable except from the river. All kampongs were warned and told to boil all water used for household purposes.

**Shipping.**—s.l. *Peter Duff* made two trips from Labuan and s.s. *Auby* called once at Kayangaran to load timber from Kuching.

**Trade.**—The trade returns for the month are as follows:—

	FOREIGN.	
	Imports.	Exports.
<b>Lawas.</b>		
March, 1926	\$28,173	\$56,831
„ 1925	14,282	36,332
<b>Trusan.</b>		
March, 1926	\$13,428	\$19,513
„ 1925	6,426	9,350
	COASTING.	
<b>Lawas.</b>		
March, 1926	\$2,405	\$3,005
„ 1925	411	772
<b>Trusan.</b>		
March, 1926	\$2,638	\$1,565
„ 1925	1,189	1,233

F. F. BOULT,  
Resident Fifth Division.

## Kuching, Foreign Trade Returns for the month of April, 1926.

## IMPORTS.

ARTICLE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Aerated waters ...	cases 119	\$ 1,081
Ammunition ...	...	2,312
Arrack, etc. ...	...	6,710
Biscuits ...	...	21,556
Blachan ...	piculs 11 1/2	196
Blankets ...	...	723
Brass and Copper plates, sheets and sheathing ...	...	1,755
Brass & copperware ...	...	2,225
Boots & shoes ...	...	4,509
Butter & cheese ...	...	1,822
Butter ...	...	1,516
Candies ...	...	1,758
Canvas ...	...	4,855
Cement ...	cases 1,010	14,500
Cinematographic films ...	...	14,500
Clocks and watches ...	...	2,518
<i>Cloth</i>		
Cotton ...	...	94,185
Silk and woolen ...	...	11,465
<i>Clothing</i>		
Cotton ...	...	10,780
Sarongs ...	...	33,813
<i>Coffee</i>		
Liberian, etc. ...	piculs 146	6,641
In tins ...	...	2,189
Confectionery ...	...	2,554
Cotton seed ...	...	3,027
Crockery and glassware ...	...	13,758
Curry stuff and sauces, etc. ...	...	9,990
Cycles and motor cycles and accessories ...	...	3,627
Damar torches ...	...	597
<i>Drugs and Chemicals</i>		
For manuf. purposes ...	...	5,863
Drugs and medicine ...	...	14,473
Druggists and dentists sundries ...	...	20
Eggs, fresh and salted ...	no. 116,345	4,307
Electrical goods and apparatus ...	...	2,125
Exports returned to shippers ...	...	622
Firearms ...	...	5,315
Fireworks ...	...	4,297
<i>Fish</i>		
Dried and Salted ...	piculs 514 1/2	15,713
In tins ...	...	13,417
Flour ...	bags 3,916	14,113
<i>Fruit</i>		
Fresh ...	...	2,663
Dried and preserved ...	...	3,934
In tins ...	...	3,955
Furniture ...	...	3,653
Ghee ...	piculs 12	1,065
Gold leaf ...	ozs. 794	28,033
<i>Grains</i>		
Beans and peas ...	piculs 1,146 1/2	10,553
Rice ...	piculs 13,744	113,023
Other sorts ...	piculs 3,804	18,426
Gunnies, new ...	bales 32	6,933
Do. old ...	bundles 54	1,695
Hams and bacon ...	...	1,395
Hats ...	...	6,023
<i>Iron and Steel</i>		
Bars, plates and rods, etc. ...	...	4,373
Cooking and household utensils ...	...	4,738
Corrugated and galvanised iron ...	...	547
Other manufactures of iron and steel ...	...	18,366
Jewellery ...	...	2,521
Joss-sticks and papers ...	...	3,315
Lard ...	piculs 107 1/2	3,499
Lamps ...	...	4,058
Leather ...	piculs 27 1/2	2,622
Do. Manufactures of ...	...	3,471
<i>Live stock</i>		
Cattle ...	head 68	6,800
Carried forward ...	...	\$ 595,400

## IMPORTS—(Continued.)

ARTICLE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
<i>Brought forward</i>		\$ 595,400
Machinery ...	...	22,857
Mats ...	...	4,043
Matches ...	cases 548	5,448
Macaroni and vermicelli ...	...	1,519
Milk, Condensed and sterilised ...	1,166	16,344
Motor lorries and cars ...	...	1,100
Do. accessories ...	...	2,618
<i>Oils, etc.</i>		
Vegetable ...	piculs 116 3/4	3,209
Lubricating ...	piculs 160	3,728
Kerosene ...	cases 6,109 1/2	34,824
Benzine ...	gallons 6,630	7,676
Methylated spirit ...	gallons 310	319
Paint, varnish and tar ...	...	10,674
Papers ...	...	8,291
Provisions, sundry ...	...	9,224
Prawns (refuse) ...	piculs 218 1/2	1,088
Rickshaws ...	no. 4	135
<i>Rope</i>		
Coir ...	coils 76	1,970
Manila ...	coils 55	2,185
Wire ...	coils 5	212
Sago, pearl or raw ...	piculs 20 7/10	194
Salt ...	piculs 4,128 3/10	8,252
Silverware ...	...	8,906
Soap ...	...	6,588
Stationery and books ...	...	5,267
Steam and motor launches ...	...	9,000
Sugar ...	piculs 3,737 1/2	32,247
Sundries ...	...	58,047
Tea in bundles ...	boxes 404	8,617
Do. tins ...	...	3,410
Telegraph and telephone materials and apparatus ...	...	2,542
Timber ...	...	1,250
Twine and thread ...	...	13,756
<i>Tobacco</i>		
In tins, cigars & cigarettes ...	...	110,521
Chinese ...	cases 99	6,435
P., Java and Sarobok, etc. ...	piculs 115 1/2	12,808
Treasure ...	...	51,700
<i>Vegetables</i>		
Fresh ...	...	3,672
Salted and preserved ...	...	7,569
In tins ...	...	2,484
Wines and spirits ...	...	24,484
<i>Wire</i>		
Brass and copper ...	...	701
Galvanised ...	...	820
Manufactures of ...	...	685
<i>Zinc</i>		
Zineware ...	...	4,215
TOTAL VALUE ...	...	\$ 1,113,807
<i>Brought forward</i>		\$ 2,975,465
Total value to date ...	...	\$ 4,089,272
1925 ..	...	\$ 3,514,594

## EXPORTS.

ARTICLE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Betel-nuts ...	piculs 162 2/3	\$ 1,706
Birds'-nests, white ...	catties 4 1/2	205
Do. black ...	piculs 11 1/2	6,275
Blachan ...	catties 10	2
Brassware ...	...	3
Camphor oil ...	...	3
Cinematographic films ...	...	12,000
Charcoal ...	piculs 1 1/2	4
Copra ...	piculs 1,469 1/2	16,972
Crockery ware ...	...	421
<i>Damar</i>		
Daging ...	piculs 307 1/2	8,806
Mata Kuching ...	piculs 2 1/2	49
Darat or laut ...	piculs 82 1/2	89
Empties ...	...	3,651
<i>Fish</i>		
Dried and salted ...	piculs 223 3/4	7,795
Fins ...	piculs 2 1/2	362
Maws ...	piculs 3 1/2	890
Roe ...	piculs 14 1/2	972
Gunnies, old ...	bundles 285	2,310
Carried forward ...	...	\$ 62,515

## EXPORTS—(Continued.)

ARTICLE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
<i>Brought forward</i>		\$ 62,515
<i>Gutta and Rubber</i>		
Jangkar ... ..	piculs 87 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	1,489
Jelutong ... ..	piculs 1,781	55,573
Do. refined ... ..	piculs 5,593 <sup>9</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	392,472
Percha ... ..	piculs 14 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	4,236
Plantation ... ..	piculs 7,418 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	762,216
<i>Hides, skins and horns, etc.</i>		
Ant-eater ... ..	piculs 8	85
Buffalo and cow ... ..	piculs 28 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	530
Rhinoceros ... ..	catty 10	3
Other kinds ... ..	piculs 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	80
Imports returned to shippers ... ..		8,719
Ironware ... ..		2
Kajangs ... ..		19
Mats ... ..		246
Pepper (white) ... ..	piculs 128 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7,319
Do. (black) ... ..	piculs 14 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	543
Prawns (dried) ... ..	piculs 512 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	23,508
Sago flour ... ..	piculs 17,905 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	112,805
Sugar nipa ... ..	piculs 161 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1,145
Sundries ... ..		3,561
Timber ... ..		85
Do. manufactured ... ..		22
Treasure ... ..		90
Tuba roots ... ..	piculs 564 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3,992
Vegetable tallow... ..	piculs 6,995	94,399
Zinc ... ..		145
<b>TOTAL VALUE</b> ... ..		<b>\$1,585,747</b>
<i>Brought forward</i> ... ..		<b>\$3,834,607</b>
<b>Total value to date</b> ... ..		<b>\$5,870,354</b>
1925 ... ..		<b>\$3,504,218</b>

## Kuching, Coasting Trade Returns for the month of April, 1926.

## IMPORTS.

ARTICLE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Birds' Nests ... ..	piculs 5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	\$ 1,860
Cattle ... ..	head 51	2,350
Coal ... ..	tons 1,318	14,443
Damar ... ..	piculs 181 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	1,917
Gutta jangkar ... ..	piculs 24 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	656
Do. jelutong ... ..	piculs 9,072	175,917
Do. percha ... ..	piculs 9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	1,964
India-rubber ... ..	piculs 5	6
Padi ... ..	piculs 222	961
Plantation rubber ... ..	piculs 1,832	128,929
Prawns refuse ... ..	piculs 656 <sup>9</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	2,648
Pepper (white) ... ..	piculs 44	2,860
Do. (black) ... ..	piculs 39 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	1,155
Rice ... ..	piculs 68 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	545
Sago raw ... ..	t'pins 75,700	81,820
Sundries ... ..		54,444
Treasure ... ..		180,406
Vegetable seeds ... ..	piculs 2,113	18,779
<b>TOTAL VALUE</b> ... ..		<b>\$ 671,670</b>
<i>Brought forward</i> ... ..		<b>1,786,450</b>
<b>Total value to date</b> ... ..		<b>\$ 2,457,120</b>
1925 ... ..		<b>\$ 1,827,127</b>

## EXPORTS.

ARTICLE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Brassware ... ..		\$ 4,672
Flour ... ..	bags 685	2,942
Ironware ... ..		10,701
Jars ... ..	no. 633	2,144
Oil, kerosene ... ..	cases 2,355	13,649
Opium ... ..		99,700
Padi ... ..	piculs 145 <sup>9</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	667
Rice ... ..	piculs 1,857 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	16,250
Salt ... ..	piculs 1,482 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4,143
Sundries ... ..		267,321
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes ... ..		23,808
Treasure ... ..		43,117
Wines and spirits ... ..		14,501
<b>TOTAL VALUE</b> ... ..		<b>\$ 504,115</b>
<i>Brought forward</i> ... ..		<b>1,340,143</b>
<b>Total value to date</b> ... ..		<b>\$ 1,844,258</b>
1925 ... ..		<b>\$ 1,605,577</b>

J. A. H. HARDIE,  
Registrar of Trade.

## PASSENGERS.

## Arrivals.

PER s.s. *Kuching*. 29th April. From Singapore. His Highness the Tuan Muda, Capt. and Mrs. C. D. Le Gros Clark, Dr. Farquharson, Messrs. Harnaek, Allman, James Graham, Parmele, Mrs. Edwin Howell and child, Mr. Teo Choon Hian, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Law, Messrs. Tan Kui Choon, Teo Eng Jin and Lee Ek Lye.

PER s.s. *Kuching*. 10th May. From Singapore. Capt. McDonald, Messrs. W. W. Duncan, Page-Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Down, Mr. E. A. Sherbance, Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, Messrs. Tan Yat, Chew Seck Guan, Mok Soo San, Lim Soon Kaw, Lim Kay Liang, Phua Hui Teng, Cheng Boey Huan, and Lim Song Kee.

## Departures.

PER s.s. *Kuching*. 22nd April. For Singapore. Mr. and Mrs. Firestone, Messrs. Cheek, Meyers, and Timlin, Mr. and Mrs. Le Sueur, Dr. Farquharson, Messrs. Lim Song Kee, Lim Choo Teng, Lee Fow Wha, Tan Joo Teck, Wong Kuai Meng, Mr. and Mrs. Law Cheng Mok, Mr. Chan Kee Hock, Madam Ong Seiw Kee, Madam Koh Neo, Madam Ong Liau, Madam Song Nat Neo, Madam Ong Ann Neo.

PER s.s. *Kuching*. 4th May. For Singapore. His Highness the Rajah, Dayang Leonora, Major J. C. Moulton, Dr. Farquharson, Messrs. H. Gild, F. A. W. Page-Turner, F. G. Day, Miss Tait, Mrs. K. H. Gillan and child, Messrs. James Graham, Parmele, Mrs. F. G. Day, Messrs. Hayashi, Nishikawa, Yorioka, T. Mohri, Capt. and Mrs. C. D. Le Gros Clark.



Miri, Foreign Trade Returns for the month of Feb., 1926.

IMPORTS.

DESCRIPTION.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Aerated Waters ...	cases 10	\$ 70
Acid Sulphuric ...	tons 148.21	11,415
Asphalt ...	lbs. 14,419	515
Attap leaf ...	pieces 6,880	150
Ammunition ...	no. 785	74
Arrack (Chinese) ...	cases 87	1,500
Automobile Accessories ...	...	1,818
Belting, cotton ...	ft. 8,288	1,734
Biscuits ...	...	891
Bicycles ...	no. 6	500
Brassware ...	...	1,022
Butter ...	...	740
Coke ...	bags 715	2,044
Cement ...	cnaks 489	2,134
Cloth, cotton ...	...	12,882
Clothing ...	...	930
Cotton waste ...	lbs. 6,728	1,622
Coffee ...	piculs 18.95	856
Charcoal ...	piculs 51.57	281
Cinema films ...	reels 60	815
Crockeryware ...	...	1,257
Crackers (Chinese) ...	...	260
Drill parts for Boring ...	...	147,448
Drugs ...	...	3,483
Dried prawns ...	piculs 12.30	980
Eggs, salted ...	no. 44,300	2,898
" fresh ...	piculs 18,900	808
Electrical apparatus ...	...	12,207
Empties ...	...	6,954
Fish, salted ...	piculs 124.77	3,645
" in tins ...	...	1,212
Flour ...	sacks 482	1,978
Firearms ...	no. 6	180
Fruit, fresh ...	...	3,072
Furniture ...	...	6,600
Gas ...	cyls. 4,121	8,321
Hose metallic ...	ft. 2,200	1,815
Ironware ...	...	51,464
<i>Live Stock</i>	...	...
Buffaloes ...	head 21	897
Poultry ...	head 2,632	2,472
Pigs ...	head 210	9,070
Lard ...	piculs 59.96	2,519
Leather ...	piculs 4.60	400
Machinery ...	...	4,809
Matches ...	cases 8	151
Milk ...	cases 234	3,424
<i>Oil and Grease</i>	...	...
Kerosene ...	cases 466	2,611
Lubricating ...	gallons 9,941	8,087
Vegetable ...	piculs 94.49	2,631
Paint ...	lbs. 40,012	6,987
Y. grease ...	lbs. 1,840	258
Provisions & sundries ...	...	27,268
Rice ...	piculs 2,984.58	25,368
Sugar ...	piculs 179.78	1,672
Sauce and Vinegar ...	jars 78	832
Soap ...	cases 66	778
Stationery ...	...	3,505
Timber ...	c. ft. 21,247	22,338
Tea ...	cases 22	1,171
Tobacco & cigarettes in tins ...	...	11,128
" Chinese ...	cases 8	150
" Siam ...	piculs 1.57	215
Treasure ...	...	100,000
Vegetables, fresh ...	...	2,270
" salted ...	jars 91	565
Wines and Spirits ...	...	3,495
<i>Brought forward</i> ...	...	\$ 685,873
<i>Brought forward</i> ...	...	802,440
<b>TOTAL</b> ...	...	<b>\$1,388,282</b>

EXPORTS.

DESCRIPTION.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Aerated waters ...	cases 12	78
Asphalt ...	lbs. 4,900	176
Baku bark ...	piculs 115.50	29
Birds'-nests, black cleaned ...	catties 4	25
Cement ...	cases 70	300
Coke ...	bags 150	425
Crockeryware ...	...	785
Empties ...	...	125
<i>Gutta &amp; Rubber—Jelutong</i> ...	piculs 870.45	17,409
Plantation ...	" 86.89	8,889
R. Scrap ...	" 9.49	759
Ironware ...	...	10,997
Kadjangs ...	pieces 590	92
Lard ...	piculs 4.99	291
Milk ...	cases 14	218
Oil, Benzine ...	tons 11,385.92	1,838,846
" Crude ...	" 14,786.81	193,702
" Kerosene ...	" 18,539.89	812,264
" Liquid fuel ...	" 12,070.45	220,497
" Vegetable ...	piculs 7.19	197
Provisions & sundries ...	...	6,775
Rice ...	" 884.43	3,459
Sugar ...	" 56.86	529
" Nipah ...	" 6.00	80
Tobacco & Cigarettes in tins ...	...	825
Wire line ...	ft. 10,000	3,344
Wines and Spirits ...	...	120
<i>Brought forward</i> ...	...	\$3,118,086
<i>Brought forward</i> ...	...	1,965,196
<b>TOTAL</b> ...	...	<b>\$5,083,282</b>

Miri, Coasting Trade Returns for the month of Feb., 1926.

IMPORTS.

DESCRIPTION.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Aerated Waters ...	cases 50	\$ 451
Attaps belian ...	pieces 13,560	54
Bicycles ...	no. 8	763
Biscuits ...	...	438
Butter ...	...	216
Cloth, cotton ...	...	802
Clothing ...	...	1,150
Charcoal ...	piculs 154.00	328
Crockeryware ...	...	266
Dried prawns ...	piculs 2.00	160
Eggs, fresh ...	no. 2,400	94
Fruit, fresh ...	...	676
Fish in tins ...	...	256
<i>Gutta &amp; Rubber—Jelutong</i> ...	piculs 325.00	3,350
Plantation ...	piculs 9.19	910
Ironware ...	pieces 1,200	255
Kadjangs ...	...	...
<i>Live Stock</i>	...	...
Buffaloes ...	head 21	1,016
Pigs ...	" 33	2,000
Poultry ...	" 163	147
Lard ...	piculs 2.80	138
Opium ...	...	14,000
Oil, Vegetable ...	" 12.42	402
Padi ...	" 72.35	240
Provisions and sundries ...	...	4,613
Rice ...	piculs 407.02	3,549
Sugar ...	" 45.70	421
" nipah ...	" 12.00	60
Shoes ...	pairs 312	890
Soap ...	cases 8	103
Timber ...	c. ft. 620.00	580
Tobacco & Cigarettes in tins ...	...	745
Treasure ...	...	4,300
Vegetables, fresh ...	...	109
Wines and Spirits ...	...	1,931
<i>Brought forward</i> ...	...	\$ 41,972
<i>Brought forward</i> ...	...	184,357
<b>TOTAL</b> ...	...	<b>\$ 176,329</b>

EXPORTS.

DESCRIPTION.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Cloth, cotton	...	\$ 1,800
Empties	...	581
Gutta & Rubber—		
Jelutong	piculs 480.00	7,200
Plantation	" 196.45	21,756
R. Scrap	" 35.02	2,030
Oil, kerosene	cases 60	251
vegetable	piculs 1.20	40
Provisions and sundries	...	2,916
Rice	piculs 144.00	1,450
Sugar	piculs 5.16	54
Tobacco and Cigs. in tins	...	1,810
Treasure	...	1,200
		\$ 41,108
Brought forward	...	106,414
TOTAL	...	\$ 147,522

Kuching Market Price List.

May, 1926.

Beef—

Beef Imported	per catty	43 Cents
Local	"	40 "
Buffalo meat only	"	25 "
with bone	"	23 "
Feet	"	25 "
Heart	"	25 "
Kidneys	each	25 "
Liver	per catty	25 "
Bones	"	10 "
Tail	"	25 "
Tongue	per catty	25 "

Pork—

Pork lean	per catty	70 Cents
with fat	"	56 "
fat	"	48 "
Pig Brain	each	5 "
Feet	per catty	38 "
Head	"	38 "
Tongue	"	70 "

Fish—

Fresh—		
No 1	per catty	82 Cents
" 2	"	23 "
" 3	"	11 "

Cooked—		
No 1	per catty	82 Cents
" 2	"	23 "
" 3	"	11 "

Salted—		
No 1	per catty	30 Cents
" 2	"	24 "
" 3	"	10 "

Crab—

No 1	per catty	38 Cents
" 2	"	24 "
" 3	"	20 "

Sea Prawns—

Udang Gala	per catty	23 Cents
Siar	"	24 "
Payak	"	11 "

Poultry, etc.—

Capons	per catty	98 Cents
Ducks	"	75 to 80 "
Fowls	"	96 "
Dyak Bred	"	82 "
Geese (Full Grown) large	each	\$5.07
Dc do small	"	3.00
Pigeons	"	40 Cents
Eggs (Fowls)	"	5 "
Do (Ducks)	"	5 "
Do do (Salted)	"	5 "

Vegetables—

Bangkang	per catty	2 Cents
Brinjal	"	6 "
Cabbages	"	24 "
Celery	per bundle	2 "
Chillies (Green)	per catty	10 "
(Dried)	"	35 "
(Red)	"	48 "
Coconut	each	5 "
Cucumber	per catty	12 "
French Beans	"	28 "
Garlic	"	24 "
Ginger (French)	"	8 "
Kangkong	"	2 "
Labu (merah)	"	2 "
Ladies Finger	per bundle	2 "
Lettuce (Chinese)	"	1 "
Lobak (Turnips)	per catty	24 "
Long Beans	"	10 "
Onions (Bombay)	"	16 "
(Smaller)	"	14 "
Patola	"	18 "
Potatoes (Bengal)	"	16 "
(Sweet)	"	5 "
Pria	"	25 "
Pumpkin	"	3 "
Radish	"	12 "
Sawi	"	24 "
Sirih	per bundle	3 "
Yams	per catty	6 "

Sundries—

Betel-nut (Fresh)	per 100	30 Cents
(Dried)	per catty	13 "
Blackian	"	18 "
Bread	per loaf	5 "
(Smaller)	"	4 "
Butter (Australian)	1lb tin	75 "
Do do	2lb tin	\$1.40
Cinnamon	per catty	25 Cents
Cloves	"	82 "
Coffee	"	52 "
Firewood	per cart	450 to 160 "
Flour (Wheat) 1st quality	per catty	12 Cents
Ghee (1st quality)	"	\$1.09
Do 2nd do.	"	85 Cents
Garam (Calcutta)	per gantang	55 "
(Rangoon)	"	58 "
Jintan Hitam	per catty	35 to 40 "
Jadam	"	80 "
Jemnu	"	90 "
Katumbur	per chupak	30 "
Lada Hitam	"	62 "
Do Putih	"	60 "
Langkara	per gantang	2 "
Lard	per catty	40 "
Matches	per packet	5 "
Milk	in tin	33 to 25 "
Do (Fresh)	per bottle	16 "
Oil Coconut	"	28 "
Do do	per catty	24 "
Do Kachang	"	41 to 88 "
Do Keromene (Devoes)	per case	\$6.10
(Sylvan)	"	5.70
(Tiger Brand)	"	"
(Eagle Brand)	"	"
(Fish Brand)	"	5'80
(Dragon Brand)	"	"
(Cock Brand)	"	"
Rice (Siam) No 1	per gantang	62 Cents
Do 2	"	58 "
Do 3	"	52 "
Rice Dyak 1	"	50 "
Do 2	"	"
Saffron (Fresh)	per catty	8 "
Do (Dried)	"	35 "
Salt (Fine)	"	6 "
Do (Coarse)	"	3 "
Sugar (Candy)	"	24 "
Do (Brown)	"	12 "
Do (White)	"	12 "
Tamarind	"	11 "
Tea (Ceylon)	per pound	\$1.05
Do (Assam)	"	1.25
Do (Chinese)	in packet	25 to 8 Cents
Do (Matang)	"	75 "



## MIRI SHIPPING.

## Arrivals.

## Departures.

Mar.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG AND REG.	Tons.	CAPTAIN OR NAKHODA.	FROM.
1	Peter	Sar.	27	Sapar	Niah
2	Gladys	"	174	Delh	Kuching
3	Marudu	Brit.	982	R. J. Work	Singapore
4	Darrel	"	1002	A. Richardson	Labuan
4	Irene	Sar.	10	Sarip	Niah
5	Sulong	"	94	Seman	Limbang
5	Buah	"	16	Syed	Belait
6	Ermaland	Ger.	3897	Echhorn	Manila
6	Anrum	Dutch	934	Heide	Hongkong
6	Melor	Sar.	32	Bujang	Niah
7	Delh	Brit.	726	F. Strachan	Labuan
7	Auby	Sar.	319	Cudbertson	Kuching
8	Scota Shell	Brit.	2092	Charlton	Singapore
9	Punai	Sar.	48	Dullah	Bintulu
9	Penelope	"	8	Mohamed	Baram
10	St. Helens	"	13	Palaio	Belait
10	Kajang	Brit.	1275	T.H. Findlay	Singapore
10	Placuna	"	3105	MacDougall	Do.
11	Auby	Sar.	319	Cudbertson	Limbang
11	Kanyu Maru	Jap.	3847	Unyekawa	Yokohama
11	Peter	Sar.	27	Sapar	Belait
12	Penelope	"	8	Mohamed	Bakong
13	Irene	"	10	Sarip	Niah
14	Citona	Brit.	3476	Moller	Singapore
15	Cassia	"	2896	Underwood	Hongkong
15	Gladys	Sar.	173	Delh	Baram
15	Molik	"	28	Ahim	Bakong
16	St. Helens	"	13	Palajo	Belait
16	Peter	"	27	Sapar	Do.
16	Melor	"	32	Bujang	Bakong
16	Maimona	"	300	Jara-ee	Bintulu
17	Darrel	Brit.	1002	A. Richardson	Singapore
17	Sulong	Sar.	94	Seman	Kuching
17	Fenelope	"	8	Mohamed	Bakong
17	Min	"	367	Rigid	Singapore
17	B o h	"	19	Syed	Belait
19	Marudu	Brit.	982	R. J. Work	Labuan
19	Burong	Sar.	118	Brahim	Belait
20	Seti	"	7	P.M. Salleh	Do.
21	Placuna	Brit.	3105	MacDougall	Singapore
21	Sulong	Sar.	94	Seman	Limbang
23	Punai	"	48	Dollah	Niah
24	Delh	Brit.	726	F. Strachan	Singapore
24	Buah	Sar.	16	Syed	Bakong
25	Melo	"	32	Bujang	Belait
26	Irene	"	10	Sarip	Baram
26	Angas	"	136	Ali bin Awg.	Bakong
27	St. Helens	"	13	P-lajo	Do.
27	Vau-nua	Dutch	707	Coersen	Huiphong
28	Kojang	Brit.	1275	T.H. Findlay	Labuan
28	Irene	Sar.	10	Sarip	K. Sibuti
28	Burong	"	118	Brahim	Bintulu
29	Buah	"	16	Syed	Belait
29	Corbis	E.rit.	2447	McNob	Shanghai
29	Didonta	Sar.	78	Mohamed	Belait
30	Auby	"	319	Cudbertson	Kuching
31	Marudu	Brit.	982	R. J. Work	Singapore

Mar.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG AND REG.	Tons.	CAPTAIN OR NAKHODA.	FOR.
1	Melor	Sar.	32	Bujang	Niah
1	Irene	"	16	Sarip	Do.
2	Placuna	Brit.	3105	MacDougall	Singapore
3	Marudu	"	982	R. J. Work	Labuan
3	Peter	Sar.	27	Sapar	Belait
4	Darrel	Brit.	1002	A. Richardson	Singapore
4	Gladys	Sar.	173	Delh	Kuching
4	Buah	"	16	Syed	Belait
5	Min	"	367	Rigid	Singapore
5	Sulong	"	94	Seman	Kuching
5	Penelope	"	8	Mohamed	Baram
7	Delh	Brit.	726	F. Strachan	Singapore
7	La Pollette	Sar.	40	Montil	Baram
7	St. Helens	"	13	Palajo	Belait
7	Ermaland	Ger.	3897	Echhorn	Singapore
7	Anrum	Dutch	934	Heide	Do.
8	Auby	Sar.	319	Cudbertson	Limbang
8	Penelope	"	8	Mohamed	Bakong
10	Irene	"	10	Sarip	Niah
11	Auby	"	319	Cudbertson	Kuching
12	Irrong	"	118	Brahim	Belait
12	Kojang	Brit.	1275	T.H. Findlay	Labuan
12	Scota Shell	"	2092	Charlton	Singapore
12	Placuna	"	3105	MacDougall	Do.
13	Buah	Sar.	7	Bunyan	Bakong
13	St. Helens	"	13	Palajo	Belait
13	Melor	"	32	Bujang	Bakong
13	Peter	"	27	Sapar	Belait
14	Penelope	"	8	Mohamed	Belait
15	Gladys	"	173	Delh	Kuching
16	Molik	"	28	Ahim	Belait
16	U	Brit.	2896	Underwood	Singapore
16	Kanyu Maru	Jap.	3847	Unyekawa	Belait
16	Buah	Sar.	16	Syed	Niah
16	Punai	"	48	Dollah	Kuching
17	Maimona	"	300	Jara-ee	Bakong
17	Darrel	Brit.	1002	A. Richardson	Labuan
17	Sulong	Sar.	94	Seman	Limbang
17	Penelope	"	8	Mohamed	Singapore
19	Marudu	Brit.	982	R. J. Work	Jesselton
20	Melor	"	32	Bujang	Belait
20	Burong	"	118	Brahim	Bintulu
21	Sulong	"	94	Seman	Kuching
21	Angas	"	136	Ali bin Awg.	Bakong
23	Buah	"	16	Syed	Do.
24	Irene	"	10	Sarip	Baram
24	Delh	Brit.	726	F. Strachan	Labuan
24	Placuna	"	3105	MacDougall	Hongkong
24	Didonta	Sar.	78	Mohamed	Belait
25	Bunga	"	32	Majit	Brunei
25	St. Helens	"	13	Palajo	Bakong
25	Vulcanus	Dutch	707	Coersen	Singapore
27	Punai	Sar.	48	Dollah	Niah
27	Irene	"	10	Sarip	K. Sibuti
27	Kojang	Brit.	1275	T.H. Findlay	Singapore
28	Buah	"	16	Syed	Suez
28	Penelope	Sar.	8	Moller	Belait
28	Chona	"	3476	Moller	Belait
30	Auby	"	319	Cudbertson	Limbang
31	Buah	"	16	Syed	Belait

**SIBU SHIPPING.**

Arrivals.					
Mo.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG.	TONS.	CAPTAIN OR NAHKOHA.	FROM.
1	<i>Flevo</i>	British	123	Maddox	Singapore
2	<i>Alice Lorraine</i>	Sarawak	140	Awg. Talip	Miri
5	<i>Sarawak</i>	do.	46	Awg. Ismail	Kuching
6	<i>Nam Hoi</i>	do.	72	Nor	do.
7	<i>Sulong</i>	do.	94	Seman	North
8	<i>Chamois</i>	do.	32	Adis	Kuching
10	<i>Rajah of Sarawak</i>	do.	892	Hollinshead	Singapore
13	<i>Patricia</i>	do.	12	Bojong	Kuching
14	<i>Sulong</i>	do.	94	Seman	do.
15	<i>Sri Sandang</i>	do.	73	Mohamad	Sadong
16	<i>L'Aubaine</i>	do.	48	Hassan	do.
17	<i>Kuala</i>	do.	12	Babji	Kuching
17	<i>Flevo</i>	British	123	Maddox	Singapore
20	<i>Chamois</i>	Sarawak	32	Adis	Kuching
22	<i>Sulong</i>	do.	94	Seman	North
23	<i>Sarawak</i>	do.	46	Awg. Ismail	Kuching
24	<i>Sri Damai</i>	do.	4	W. K. Chang	do.
27	<i>Rajah of Sarawak</i>	do.	892	Mc'hail	Singapore
30	<i>Sulong</i>	do.	94	Seman	via Goehlt Kuching

Departures.					
Mo.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG.	TONS.	CAPTAIN OR NAHKOHA.	FOR
1	<i>Sarawak</i>	Sarawak	46	Awg. Ismail	Kuching
2	<i>Alice Lorraine</i>	do.	140	Awg. Talip	do.
5	<i>Flevo</i>	British	123	Maddox	Singapore
5	<i>Chamois</i>	Sarawak	32	Adis	Kuching
7	<i>Sulong</i>	do.	94	Seman	do.
9	<i>Nam Hoi</i>	do.	72	Nor	do.
15	<i>Sulong</i>	do.	94	Seman	North
17	<i>Chamois</i>	do.	32	Adis	Kuching
16	<i>Rajah of Sarawak</i>	do.	892	Hollinshead	Singapore
17	<i>Sarawak</i>	do.	46	Awg. Ismail	via Kuching Kuching
18	<i>L'Aubaine</i>	do.	48	Hassan	via Sadong Kuching
18	<i>Sri Sandang</i>	do.	73	Mohamad	do.
21	<i>Uta</i>	do.	14	Bai	Kuching
21	<i>Flevo</i>	British	123	Maddox	Singapore
23	<i>Sulong</i>	Sarawak	94	Seman	Kuching
31	do.	do.	94	do.	North

**KUCHING SHIPPING RETURNS.**

**Arrivals.**

DATE.	NAME OF VESSEL.	NAME OF CAPTAIN.	WHERE FROM.	CHINESE.		NATIVES OF INDIA.		OTHER ASIATICS.		TOTAL.	
				Male.	Fem.	Male.	Fem.	Male.	Fem.		
1926.											
April.	8	<i>S.S. Kuching</i> ...	... F. S. Hollinshead	Singapore	270	30	5	...	32	...	337
"	19	<i>S.S. Kuching</i> ...	... F. S. Hollinshead	Do.	394	43	20	...	2	...	459
"	28	<i>Kotak Ten Seng Lee</i>	... Jong Ten Sin	Pamangkat	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
"	29	<i>S.S. Kuching</i> ...	... F. S. Hollinshead	Singapore	535	51	7	4	13	2	612
					1,201	124	32	4	47	2	1,410
			Brought forward		2,156	125	58	...	166	6	2,511
			Total to date		3,357	249	90	4	213	8	3,921
				1925	2,358	178	56	3	188	10	2,793

**Departures.**

DATE.	NAME OF VESSEL.	NAME OF CAPTAIN.	WHITHER BOUND.	CHINESE.		NATIVES OF INDIA.		OTHER ASIATICS.		TOTAL.	
				Male.	Fem.	Male.	Fem.	Male.	Fem.		
1926.											
April.	1	<i>S.S. Kuching</i> ...	... F. S. Hollinshead	Singapore	82	23	4	1	13	5	128
"	10	<i>S.S. Auby</i> ...	... F. G. Cndbertson	do.	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
"	11	<i>S.S. Kuching</i> ...	... F. S. Hollinshead	do.	64	17	4	...	71	1	157
"	17	<i>Kotak Kong Tiang Hai</i>	... Joo Ho	Pamangkat	6	5	...	...	...	...	11
"	22	<i>S.S. Kuching</i> ...	... F. S. Hollinshead	Singapore	84	20	5	...	15	4	128
					236	65	13	2	99	10	425
			Brought forward		666	67	35	2	192	13	905
			Total to date		902	132	48	4	221	23	1,330
				1925	651	124	54	11	168	25	1,033

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Registrar of Shipping.

**Rainfall, February, 1926.**

DURING 24 HOURS.

**Rainfall, March, 1926.**

DURING 24 HOURS.

DATE.	Baram.	DATE.	Exper-	Sibu.	Baram.
	Inches.		imental Garden.		
1	—	1	—	—	—
2	—	2	—	—	—
3	—	3	—	—	—
4	—	4	—	—	—
5	—	5	—	—	—
6	—	6	—	—	—
7	—	7	—	—	—
8	—	8	—	—	—
9	—	9	—	—	—
10	—	10	—	—	—
11	—	11	—	—	—
12	—	12	—	—	—
13	—	13	—	—	—
14	—	14	—	—	—
15	—	15	—	—	—
16	—	16	—	—	—
17	—	17	—	—	—
18	—	18	—	—	—
19	—	19	—	—	—
20	—	20	—	—	—
21	—	21	—	—	—
22	—	22	—	—	—
23	—	23	—	—	—
24	—	24	—	—	—
25	—	25	—	—	—
26	—	26	—	—	—
27	—	27	—	—	—
28	—	28	—	—	—
29	—	29	—	—	—
30	—	30	—	—	—
31	—	31	—	—	—
Total	50	Total	14.03	10.47	.66

**METEOROLOGICAL RETURNS.**

**GENERAL HOSPITAL.**

*Kuching, 30th April, 1926.*

DATE.	BARO-METER.	THERMOMETER IN SHADE.						SOLAR MAXI-MUM.	Museum Rainfall in 24 hours.	
		Dry Bulb.			Wet Bulb.		Maximum prev. 24 hrs.			Minimum prev. 24 hrs.
		At 8 A.M.	S. A. M.	Noon.	S. A. M.	Noon.				
1	30.05 inch.	74	90	74	72	72	88	77	83	...
2	30.03 "	81	88	80	79	80	99	74	115	1.03
3	30.06 "	76	88.5	83	75	81	92	72	110	...
4	30.05 "	80	87	78	79	83	95	73	115	...
5	30.06 "	83	92	80	83	81	104	74	114	.68
6	30.06 "	89	84	81	78	80	94	73	114	2.53
7	30.02 "	73	85	78	72	80	94	73	115	.69
8	30.03 "	78	90	77	77	81	132	78	113	...
9	30.01 "	82	89.5	83	79	88	102	76	110	...
10	30.02 "	81	90	81	80	81	99	73	103	...
11	30.02 "	81	90	82	78	82	93	71	112	.69
12	30.05 "	80	82	78	79	79	93	72	113	.16
13	30.02 "	82	92	81	78	82	99	72	112	...
14	30.02 "	81	92	80	78	81	94	72	113	...
15	29.94 "	83	91	83	80	82	97	72	113	...
16	29.92 "	83	94	82	80	92	98	72	116	...
17	30.05 "	81	93	75	79	81	99	80	115	1.88
18	29.01 "	82	93	81	76	81	99	70	117	...
19	30.01 "	85	91	80	81	82	99	70	118	...
20	30.05 "	85	90	80	80	81	93	72	117	...
21	30.02 "	78	83	77	77	79	90	72	116	1.74
22	30.05 "	75	84	76	74	78	70	85	110	1.82
23	30.05 "	82	92	78	79	83	88	70	112	...
24	30.03 "	81	91	80	79	83	91	70	94	...
25	30.05 "	83	91	80	77	82	102	70	109	...
26	30.8 "	80	94	83	78	82	99	70	114	...
27	30.01 "	81	95	77	78	83	98	73	122	1.02
28	30.65 "	79	91	78	77	82	97	70	116	.01
29	30.94 "	79	92	77	78	83	98	73	117	.15
30	30.01 "	81	81	81	77	78	99	74	115	...

Highest Barometer reading 30.94 inches.  
 Lowest " " 29.01 " "  
 Highest temperature (in shade) 95 degrees.  
 Lowest " " 82 " "  
 Greatest rainfall in 24 hours 2.53 inches.  
 Total rainfall (Museum) 10.95 " "  
 Height of Hospital above sea level approximately 75 feet.