

Total number of children.....	9,024
do. do. between the ages of 4 and 18 years: boys, 2,498; girls, 2,572.....	5,070
do. do. between 4 and 10 years.....	2,983
do. do. under 4 years: boys, 1,933; girls, 2,013.....	3,946
do. do. attending schools, public and private.....	3,407
do. do. of orphans.....	265
do. do. white children.....	8,910
do. do. of colored children.....	114

Population.

In the absence of reliable data, it is difficult to make an estimate that will approximate to the present population of this City. From careful observation, however, and a consideration of such information bearing upon the subject, as we have been able to obtain, it is believed that it exceeds the estimates heretofore made. This is evident from the extent of names in the present volume, over eighteen thousand, which is fifty per cent. more than are contained in the issue for 1856, and the greatly increased number of women and children now residing in the City. The following estimate is offered as the result of our investigations:

<i>Over twenty-one years of age.</i> —The number of names contained in present volume.....	18,500
Foreigners, including Chinese, not registered.....	7,000
Floating population, and persons engaged upon the rivers, etc.....	4,000
Females.....	15,000
	<u>44,500</u>
<i>Under twenty-one.</i> —Between four and eighteen years of age.....	6,000
Under four years.....	7,000
Over eighteen, and under twenty-one.....	3,000
	<u>16,000</u>
Total population.....	60,500

Inquests of 1856 and 1857.

We are indebted to the courtesy of ex-Coroner Kent for the following list of inquests held by him during his term of office, extending from October, 1855, to the close of September 1857: Apoplexy, 16; Burnt to Death, 6; Casualty, 25; Cholera, 6; Compound Fracture, 1; Congestion of Brain, 4; Convulsions, 4; Debility, 10; Delirium Tremens, 3; Drowned, 83; Exhumed, 7; Falling from Horse, 1; Heart Disease, 8; Hemorrhage, 8; Hung by Law, 1; Hung by Vigilance Committee, 4; Infanticide, 8; Intemperance, 26; Killed by Circular Saw, 1; Killed by falling in the Station House at the hands of Officer Bowers, 1; Knife Wound, 3; Lus Venerea, 4; Murdered, 25; Natural Causes, 37; Ossification of Aorta, 5; Pistol Shot Wound, 5; Poisoned, 7; Premature discharge of Cannon, 1; Rupture of Blood Vessel, 4; Scalded, 3; Scurvy, 1; Skull, fracture of, 8; Spine Disease, 1; Still Born, 16; Suffocation, 3; Suffocation by Carbonic Acid Gas, 2; Suffocation by button in the Throat, 1; Suffocation by piece of meat in the Throat, 1; Suicide, 44; Syphilis, 10; Unknown Causes, 14; Total, 418.

The above comprises the most important cases; the total number of inquests held amounted to nearly five hundred. During the first year there were more drowned than during the last, in consequence of the condition of the wharves in the eastern portion of the City. During the past year the number of murders and suicides have greatly increased over those of the year 1856.