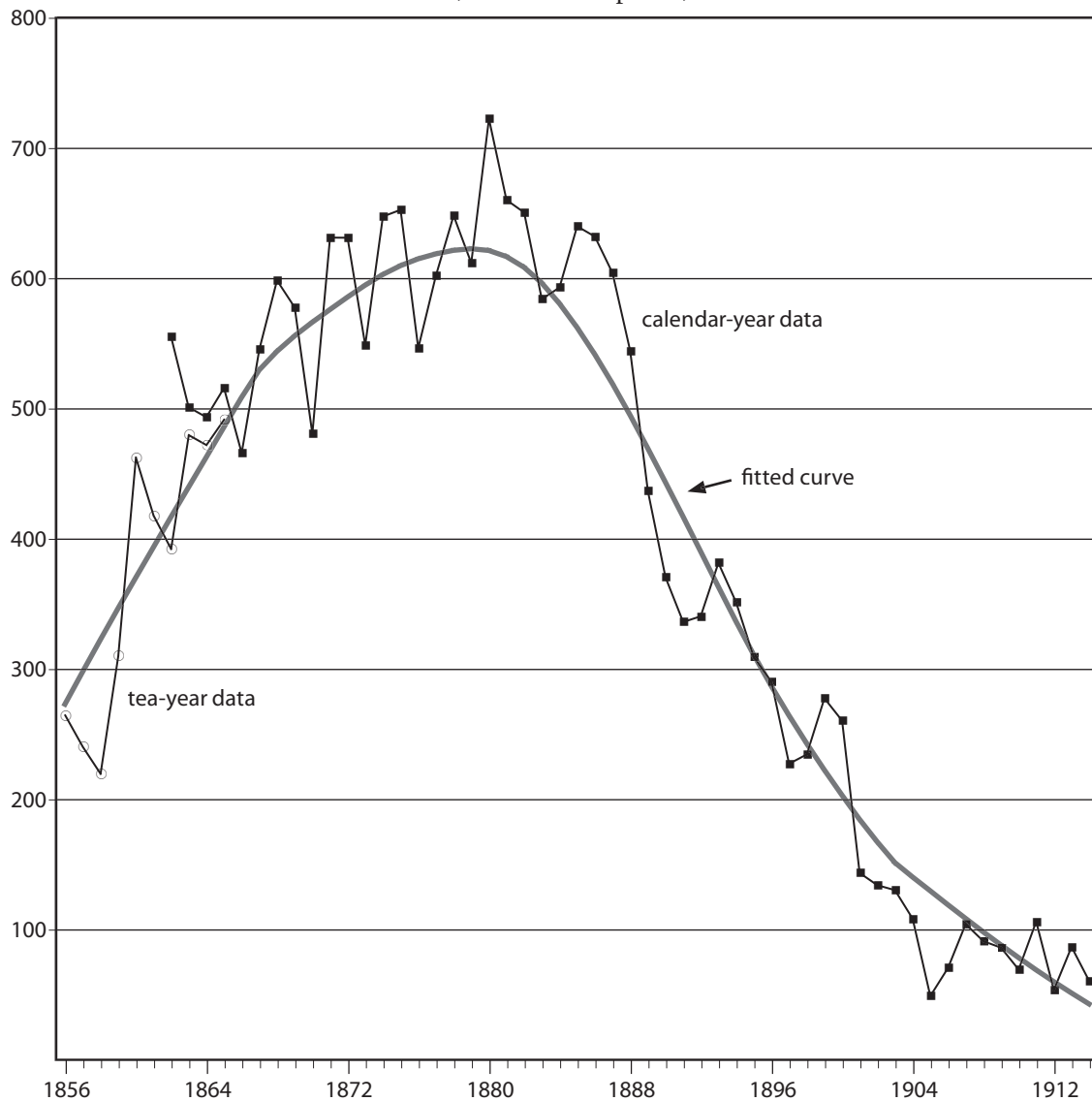


Figure 7 – Fuzhou, Original Exports of Tea to Foreign Countries, 1856–1914
(thousands of piculs)



portion of shipments into 1862, producing an apparent discrepancy of the sort shown in the graph.

Figure 7 also includes a smooth curve, analogous to that in Figure 1. This curve is fitted to a single series, built from the tea-year data for 1856–57 through 1860–61, the calendar-year data for 1863–1914, and the mean of the tea-year and calendar-year figures for 1862. Annual deviations around this fitted curve are generally within 15 percent or so (but with a large deviation downward in 1905). The annual rate of growth during the initial 24-year period, 1856–80, averaged about 3.7 percent and that during the next eighteen years, to 1898 (just prior to reclassification of Sandu tea shipments from