

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 292.

The following extracts from the Minutes of the Sanitary Board are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887.

Extracts from the Minutes of the proceedings of the Sanitary Board at a meeting held in the Board Room on Tuesday, the 28th June, 1887.

PRESENT :

The Honourable the Surveyor General, (Chairman).

The Acting Registrar General.

Major T. C. DEMPSTER.

The Honourable A. P. McEWEN.

HUGH McCALLUM, Esquire, (Secretary).

ABSENT :

The Colonial Surgeon.

Dr. P. MANSON, LL.D.

N. J. EDE, Esquire, (on leave).

Dr. Ho KAI.

The Minutes of a meeting held on the 7th June, 1887, were read and confirmed.

A Return of the summonses applied for by the Inspectors of Nuisances during the weeks ending the 11th, 18th and 25th June, 1887, was laid on the table by the Secretary. The Return showed that 85 prosecutions had been instituted, that in each case a conviction had been obtained, and that fines to the amount of \$236.75 had been inflicted.

A Return by the Acting Registrar General showing the number of births and infantile deaths registered during the month of May, 1887, was laid on the table by the Secretary.

The question of erecting free public latrines outside the Praya Wall was discussed, and it was agreed that the Acting Registrar General should ascertain from the Chinese residing in the locality where it is proposed to erect the first one, whether they have any objections to offer to its erection there.

The re-organization of the Market Staff was considered. Resolved;—that the Secretary draw up a report on the subject and circulate it among Members.

Resolved;—that the Chairman, the Acting Registrar General, and the Secretary,—form a Sub-Committee to make arrangements for the accommodation in the proposed temporary market of the stall-holders in the Central Market pending the construction of the new building.

The question of instituting legal proceedings against certain House-holders whose lodging-houses were greatly overcrowded and who received warning to abate such overcrowding on the 19th of April last, was considered. Resolved;—that in consequence of the instructions received from the Government, the Secretary will take the necessary steps to prosecute, under section 3 of Ordinance 7 of 1883, the Householders who have been warned to abate overcrowding in their houses, if such overcrowding still continues.

The necessity of removing the present city slaughter-house at Belchers Point was considered. It was agreed that the most suitable site for the new slaughter-house is on the north side of Mount Davis opposite the Sulphur Channel. It was also agreed that two small slaughter-houses be recommended to be built at Kaulung, one for Hunghom and the villages on the east side, and the other for Yaumati and the villages on the west side of the Peninsula.

The Board then adjourned till 5 P.M. on Tuesday, the 12th July, 1887.

J. M. PRICE,
Chairman.

Read and confirmed, this 12th day of July, 1887.

HUGH McCALLUM,
Secretary.