GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 485.

The following Lot of Crown Land at Peak Road, will be sold by Public Auction, on Monday, the 5th day of November, 1888, at 4 30 P.M.

Inland Lot No. 1,206.

For Particulars and Conditions of Sale see Government Notification No. 475 of the 27th ultimo.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd November, 1888.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 486.

The following Minutes are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd November, 1888.

No. 13.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Sanitary Board at a meeting held on Thursday, the 18th of October, 1888:—

PRESENT:

The Colonial Surgeon, (Dr. Philip Bernard Chenery Ayres), President.

The Captain Superintendent of Police, (The Honourable Walter Meredith Deane), Vice-President.

The Surveyor General, (The Honourable John Macneile Price).

The Registrar General, (James Haldane Stewart Lockhart, Esquire).

JOHN JOSEPH FRANCIS, Esquire, Q.C.

The Honourable Wong Shing.

Dr. James Cantlie.

NATHANIEL JOSEPH EDE, Esquire.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 4th instant, were read and confirmed.

Mortality Returns.—Laid on the table a return by the Registrar General showing the deaths registered during the week ended the 29th ultimo.

Scavenging Contract.—Read a report by the Acting Sanitary Superintendent on a petition from the Scavenging Contractor.

Resolved—that the Board do approve of a recommendation that the Contractor be granted compensation to the amount of \$50 a month with date from the 1st of August.

No. 1477, rith October, lass. Vaccination.—Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary in reply to the Board's communication of the 9th instant on this subject.

Chefoo.—Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary stating that Cholera was no longer prevalent at that port.

Bye-Laws.—The Captain Superintendent of Police moved:—

That the Board go into Committee for the consideration of the Select Committee's proposed draft Bye-Laws under Sub-sections 1 and 3 of Section 13 of "The Public Health Ordinance."

The Registrar General seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Board then went into Committee.

Bye-Laws 1, 2 and 3 passed: progress reported.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 25th instant, at 4.30 P.M.

PH. B. C. AYRES, President.

Read and confirmed this 1st day of November, 1888.

WM. EDWARD CROW,
Acting Secretary.

No. 14.

Minutes of the proceedings of the Sanitary Board, at a Meeting held on Thursday, the 25th of October, 1888:—

PRESENT:

The Colonial Surgeon, (Dr. Philip Bernard Chenery Ayres), President.

The Captain Superintendent of Police, (The Honourable WALTER MEREDITH DEANE), Vice-President.

The Surveyor General, (The Honourable John Macneile Price).

The Registrar General, (JAMES HALDANE STEWART LOCKHART, Esquire).

The Honourable Wong SHING.

Dr. JAMES CANTLIE.

NATHANIEL JOSEPH EDE, Esquire.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment and resumed consideration in Committee of the following Bye-Laws under Section 13 of *The Public Health Ordinance*, 1887, relating to Drainage and Infectious diseases.

Sub-section 1 (House-drainage).—After deliberation, these Bye-Laws were finally amended and passed.

On the motion of the Vice-President it was resolved that these Bye-Laws be forwarded for the approval of the Governor in Council.

Sub-section 3 (Sub-soil drainage).—On the motion of the Surveyor General it was resolved that the consideration of these Bye-Laws be postponed.

Sub-sections 19 and 24 (Infectious diseases).—Progress reported at Bye-Law No. 4.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 1st proximo.

PH. B. C. AYRES, President.

Read and confirmed this 1st day of November, 1888.

WM. EDWARD CROW, Acting Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 487.

The following Returns of the Average Amount of Bank Notes in Circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the Month ended 31st October, 1888, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd November, 1888.

Banks.	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
	. \$	• \$
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,	1.349,050	450,000
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	1,270,703	600,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	2,736,000	1,400,000
TOTAL,	\$ 5,355,753	2,450,000