

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 2.

The following Minutes are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 5th January, 1889.

No. 20.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD at a meeting held on Thursday, the 20th of December, 1888:—

PRESENT :

The Colonial Surgeon, (Dr. PHILIP BERNARD CHENERY AYRES), President.

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 6th instant were read and confirmed.

No. 1784,
17th December,
1888.

Public Latrines.—Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary approving of the transfer of the Licensing of Public Latrines from the Surveyor General to the Sanitary Board.

The Acting Secretary was instructed to reply to this letter.

18th December,
1888.

Government Works.—Read a minute by the Surveyor General forwarding plans of the following Government Works:—

1. New Central Market.
2. Temporary Central Market Accommodation.
3. Latrine on the Peak Road.
4. New Hungghòm Market.

Mr. FRANCIS gave notice of his intention to move a resolution on this subject at the next meeting.

The President stated that the new Hungghòm Market was now ready for occupation.

Resolved,—that the Acting Sanitary Superintendent be directed to report on the steps that should be taken for the permanent Sanitary maintenance of this building.

20th December,
1888.

Drainage of the City.—Read a letter from Mr. R. K. LEIGH forwarding a copy of his report on this subject.

Resolved,—that the document be circulated.

No. 1790,
19th December,
1888.

Sanitary Contracts.—Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary transmitting tenders for the General Scavenging of the villages and for the removal of Animal Manure from the city of Victoria.

Resolved,—that the Board do approve of the recommendation of the Sanitary Superintendent and Senior Inspector of Nuisances, and that Mr. EDE and Dr. CANTLIE be requested to report on the proposed site for the Animal Manure Depôt at Mount Davis.

No. 1792,
19th December,
1888.

Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary approving of an extension of the Night-soil, Latrine, and Conservancy Contracts for a period of seven months.

Mortality Returns.—Laid on the table a return by the Registrar General showing the deaths registered during the week ended the 8th instant.

Bye-Laws.—Considered the Bye-Laws which had been framed by the Board in Committee, under the following Sub-sections of Section 13 of *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*, relating to infectious diseases:—

Sub-section 24.—Bye-Laws reported with amendments.

Resolved,—that these Bye-Laws be forwarded for the approval of the Governor in Council.

Sub-section 19.—Progress reported at Bye-Law No. 5.

Beri-beri.—Dr. CANTLIE presented his report on the Beri-beri papers that had been forwarded to him in accordance with the Board's resolution of the 29th ultimo.

Resolved,—that the document be circulated.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 3rd of January, 1889, at 5.30 P.M.

PH. B. C. AYRES,
President.

Read and confirmed this 3rd day of January, 1889.

WM. EDWARD CROW,
Acting Secretary.