

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 45.

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By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

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No. 2.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD at a meeting held on Wednesday, the 16th of January, 1889:—

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 DAVID HUMPHREYS, Esquire.
 The Honourable WONG SHING.
 Dr. JAMES CANTLIE.
 NATHANIEL JOSÉPH EDE, Esquire.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd instant, were read and confirmed.

No. 35,
10th January,
1889.**Bye-Laws.**—Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary on the subject of the Bye-Laws made by the Board under Sub-section 19 of Section 13 of *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*.

Resolved,—on the motion of the Captain Superintendent of Police seconded by the Surveyor General.

*That a letter be addressed to the Colonial Secretary requesting that the Secretary to the Board may be placed in communication with the legal advisers of the Government with a view to secure an amendment of the Bye-Laws on the lines indicated in the Colonial Secretary's letter.*No. 45,
11th January,
1889.**Public Latrines.**—Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary on the subject of the licensing of public latrines.

Resolved,—on the motion of the Registrar General seconded by Mr. EDE.

*That a letter be addressed to the Colonial Secretary enquiring if there is any legal objection to the Sanitary Board licensing public latrines; and to convey a recommendation that, if there are any objections, the necessary powers be conferred on the Board by legislation.*No. 1724,
4th December,
1888.**Calf Vaccine.**—Laid on the table a letter from the Colonial Secretary transmitting correspondence on the subject of animal vaccination in India. Also a minute on these documents by Dr. CANTLIE.

Resolved,—on the motion of the President seconded by the Vice-President.

That the Government be requested to convey the thanks of the Board to the Governments of India, Java and Japan for the valuable information furnished on this important subject.

It was further resolved on the motion of Mr. EDE that Dr. CANTLIE be requested to prepare a memorandum on certain peculiarities in the Japanese calf lymphion which it was considered desirable to obtain some further information from the Government of Japan.

10th January,
1889.**Animal Licences.**—Laid on the table reports by the Inspector of Live Stock on the details on which Bye-Laws for the granting of these licences should be framed.Resolved,—that the Secretary and the Inspector of Live Stock be requested to submit for the consideration of the Board a set of draft Bye-Laws under sub-section 14 of section 13 of *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*.**Mortality Returns.**—Laid on the table returns by the Registrar General showing the deaths registered during the weeks ended December 29th and January 5th.

The President stated that only two cases of Small-pox had been admitted into the Small-pox Hospital this season. Both cases were of a mild type, and had been received from ships entering the harbour from distant ports.

Examination of Buildings.—Resolved,—on the motion of the President, that the Sanitary Surveyor be authorized under section 74 of *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*, to examine buildings and to grant certificates in respect of the same.**Instructions to Officers.**—The Surveyor General, pursuant to notice, moved:—*That the Executive branch of the Sanitary Board be requested to prepare for the consideration of the Board draft Instructions for the guidance of its Officers.*

Mr. EDE seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Bye-Laws, section 13, sub-section 6.—The Surveyor General, pursuant to notice, moved:—*That the Committee appointed to consider the Bye-Laws under Sub-section 6 of Section 13 of "The Public Health Ordinance, 1887," be discharged, and that the Executive branch of the Sanitary Board be called upon to submit for the consideration of the Board a set of draft Bye-Laws under this Sub-section.*

The President seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Wednesday, the 30th instant, at 4.15 P.M.PH. B. C. AYRES,
President.

Read and confirmed this 29th day of January, 1889.

WM. EDWARD CROW,
Acting Secretary.