

the other British Consular Officers stationed there will apportion the fund among the various relief agencies, without any regard to religious or denominational prejudices, in such a manner as, according to their joint discretion, may appear likely to do most good.

As no possible amount of contributions can afford substantial relief to all, or even to any large proportion, of the millions who are suffering from this calamity, the Governor hopes that the vote which he now proposes will not prove to be a check but will rather operate as a stimulus, to that private benevolence for which the community of Hongkong is so honourably known; and he trusts that here also as at Shanghai, Europeans and Chinese will exert themselves for an object which appeals alike, if not equally, to the sympathies of both.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Government House, Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

^{C.S.O.}_{213 of 1889.} The Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the correspondence on the subject.

The Colonial Secretary moved that the question be referred for the consideration of the Finance Committee.

The Acting Treasurer seconded.

Question—put and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned *sine die*.

G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX,
Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 25th day of February, 1889.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 5.

MONDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 1889.

PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
(SIR G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX, K.C.M.G.)

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary (FREDERICK STEWART).

” The Acting Attorney General, (ANDREW JOHN LEACH).

” the Acting Colonial Treasurer, (HENRY ERNEST WODEHOUSE, C.M.G.).

” the Captain Superintendent of Police, (WALTER MEREDITH DEANE).

” PHINEAS RYRIE.

” WONG SHING.

” JOHN BELL-IRVING.

” BENDYSHE LAYTON, (*vice* the Honourable ALEXANDER PALMER MAC EWEN).

” CATCHICK PAUL CHATER.

ABSENT :

The Honourable the Surveyor General, (JOHN MACNEILE PRICE).

” the Registrar General, (JAMES HALDANE STEWART LOCKHART).

The Council met pursuant to notice.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 28th ultimo, were read and confirmed.

NEW MEMBER.—Mr. ANDREW JOHN LEACH, Acting Attorney General, took the usual Oath and his seat at the Council table.

VOTES OF MONEY PASSED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The Colonial Secretary, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the table the Report of the proceedings of the Finance Committee (No. 1) dated the 28th January, 1889, and moved that the following items referred to therein be passed:—

EXCESS IN THE ESTIMATES FOR 1889.

SERVICES EXCLUSIVE OF ESTABLISHMENTS.

Charitable Allowances.

Subscription in aid of the Famine in North China,\$10,000.00

Extraordinary Public Works.

Furniture for Victoria College, re-vote,\$ 896.00

New Streets at Kennedytown, re-vote, 6,700.00

Rain-storm damages during 1888, re-vote, 2,261.00

\$ 9,857.00

Works and Buildings.

Home for Women and Girls, \$ 3,955.00

Roads, Streets and Bridges.

Lower Richmond Road, re-vote, \$ 3,750.00

JURY LIST, 1889.—Strangers having retired by request, the Council proceeded to consider the Jury List for 1889.

The List was duly revised, corrected, and the Special Jurors designated, in terms of section 4 of Ordinance 24 of 1882.

ADJOURNMENT.—The Council then adjourned to Friday, the 1st proximo, at 4 p.m.

G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX,
Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 1st day of March, 1889.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 84.

The following Minutes are published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 1st March, 1889.

No. 4.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD at a meeting held on Wednesday, the 13th of February, 1889:—

PRESENT :

The Colonial Surgeon, (Dr. PHILIP BERNARD CHENERY AYRES), President.
The Surveyor General, (The Honourable JOHN MACNEILE PRICE).
The Registrar General, (JAMES HALDANE STEWART LOCKHART, Esquire).
The Honourable WONG SHING.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 29th ultimo, were read and confirmed.

No. 159,
1st February,
1889.

Hunghom Market.—Read a letter from the Colonial Secretary conveying authority for the employment of two scavengers for the permanent Sanitary maintenance of this building.

I. of L. S. & M.
9th February,
1889.

Cattle Disease.—Laid on the table the papers concerning an outbreak of rinderpest at Kennedytown.

Mortality Returns.—Laid on the table Death-returns by the Registrar General for the weeks ended January 26th and February 2nd.

Sanitary Surveyor.—The draft instructions for the guidance of this officer under Section 12 of *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*, were considered and passed.

Bye-Laws: Sub-section 19 of Section 13.—The draft Bye-Laws under this Section of *The Public Health Ordinance, 1887*, were considered and approved for transmission to His Excellency the Governor for approval in Legislative Council.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Wednesday, the 27th instant, at 4.15 p.m.

PH. B. C. AYRES,
President.

Read and confirmed this 27th day of February, 1889.

WM. EDWARD CROW,
Acting Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 85.

Information has been received from the Military Authorities that Artillery Practice will take place from the Stone Cutters' Island West and Belcher's Lower Batteries, between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m. on the 5th instant.

The line of fire will be in a South Westerly direction from Stone Cutters' Island, and North Westerly from Belcher's Battery.

All ships, junks, and other vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 1st March, 1889.