DEATHS RATES IN DIFFERENT GROUPS OF AGES FOR THE YEAR 1888.

Ages.	British and Foreign.		CHINESE.	
	Deaths.	Per cent. of whole.	Deaths.	Per cent. of whole.
Under 1 month,	13	5.22	810 •	14.00
Over 1 and under 12 months,	19	7.63	773	13.36
Over 1 year and under 5 years,	24	9.64	728	12.58
Over 5 and under 15 years,	15	6.03	348	6.02
Over 15 and under 45 years,	137	55.02	1,955	33.80
Over 45 years,	39	15.66	1,163	20.10
Unknown,	2	.80	» · 8	.14
Total,	249	100.00	5,785	100.00

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Registrar General.

Registrar General's Office, 19th February, 1889.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 227.

The following Minutes are published for general information. By Command,

> FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 11th May, 1889.

No. 10.

Minutes of the proceedings of the Sanitary Board, at a Meeting held on Wednesday, the 24th of April, 1889:--

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

The Acting Surveyor General (Francis Alfred Cooper, Esquire).
The Acting Registrar General (The Honourable Norman Gilbert Mitchell-Innes).

The Acting Captain Superintendent of Police (Major-General ALEXANDER HERMAN ADAM GORDON).

The Honourable Wong Shing.

Dr. Ho Kai.

ABSENT:

JOHN DAVID HUMPHREYS, Esquire. John Joseph Francis, Esquire, Q.C. Dr. JAMES CANTLIE.

NATHANIEL JOSEPH EDE, Esquire.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of a meeting held on the 10th instant were read and confirmed.

A short correspondence between Mr. Granville Sharp and the Secretary regarding the removal of a soy manufactory from Victoria Inland Lot No. 795 to Yaumati Inland Lot No. 70 was read.

The President moved:

That Mr. Sharp be informed of the condition of his Crown lease regarding the establishment of noxious, noisome and offensive trades on the land held thereunder and that the Board recommend him to apply, in the usual manner, for the nevessary licence from the Governor.

The Acting Captain Superintendent of Police seconded. Question—put and passed.

Draft Bill to amend the Public Health Ordinance 1887.

The President moved:

That the Acting Registrar General, Mr. Francis, Q.C. and Dr. Cantlie be appointed a Committee to consider the Draft Bill and Report thereon to the Board. Dr. Ho Kai seconded.

Question-put and passed.

Mortality Returns.—Laid on the table the Return for the week ended 13th April, 1889. Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Wednesday, the 8th May, 1889, at 4.15 P.M.

> PH. B. C. AYRES, President.

Read and confirmed this 8th day of May, 1889.

HUGH McCallum, Secretary.