

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 439.

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Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th October, 1889.

A. LISTER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

No. 24.

Minutes of the proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD, at a Meeting held on Wednesday, the 9th day of October, 1889:—

PRESENT:

The Surveyor General, (The Honourable SAMUEL BROWN), President.
The Acting Captain Superintendent of Police, (Major-General ALEXANDER HERMAN GORDON), Vice-President.
The Acting Registrar General, (The Honourable NORMAN GILBERT MITCHELL-INNES).
The Honourable WONG SHING.

ABSENT:

The Colonial Surgeon, (Dr. PHILIP BERNARD CHENERY AYRES).
JOHN DAVID HUMPHREYS, Esquire.
JOHN JOSEPH FRANCIS, Esquire, Q.C.
Dr. JAMES CANTLIE.
NATHANIEL JOSEPH EDE, Esquire.
Dr. HO KAI.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment:

The minutes of a meeting held on the 25th day of September, 1889, were read.

The President addressed the Board regarding the final disposal of the City Refuse and expressed his opinion that his Memorandum on the subject read at last meeting should be added to the Minutes.

The Vice-President moved,—

That the Memorandum mentioned by the President be added to the Minutes.

The Acting Registrar General seconded.

Question—put and passed.

The Minutes were then confirmed.

Final disposal of City Refuse.—A letter dated the 7th October, 1889, from the Honourable the Acting Colonial Secretary was read.

The Acting Registrar General moved,—

That the letter and the memoranda referred to therein together with the other papers on the subject be circulated to Members.

The Hon. WONG SHING seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Mortality Returns.—The returns for the weeks ended the 28th September and 5th October, 1889, respectively, were laid on the table by the Secretary.

Drainage of Hill District.—A report by Mr. LEIGH was laid on the table.

Surveyor's Actions.—A letter from Messrs. DANBY and LEIGH together with remarks thereon by the Surveyor were read. It was agreed that the papers should be circulated.

Surface Scavenging.—A report by the Committee considering contract specifications was read.

The Vice-President moved,—

That the report of the Committee be accepted and that the decision of the Government having been received the contract specifications be referred back to the Committee to draft the necessary provisions to give effect thereto; and that tenders for the Contract be at once called for in the usual manner.

The President seconded.

Question—put and passed.

Notice of Motion.—The Vice-President addressed the Board on the subject of the circulation of documents, and gave notice that at next Meeting he would move,—

That in future, original documents to be laid before the Board should not be circulated until they have been read at a Meeting and that copies only be circulated if immediate circulation is desired.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned till Wednesday, the 23rd October, 1889.

SAMUEL BROWN,
President.

Read and confirmed this 23rd day of October, 1889.

HUGH MCCALLUM,
Secretary.