GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 361.

The following Minutes are published.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 12th August, 1898.

No. 15.

Minutes of the proceedings of the Sanitary Board, at a meeting held on Thursday, the 28th day of July, 1898.

PRESENT :

The Principal Civil Medical Officer, (Dr. John Mittord Atkinson), President.

The Captain Superintendent of Police, (The Honourable Francis Henry May, C.M.G.), Vice-President.

The Director of Public Works, (The Honograble ROBERT DALY ORMSBY).

The Acting Registrar General, (ARTHUR WIMBOLT BREWIN, Esquire).

The Medical Officer of Health, (Dr. FRANCIS WILLIAM CLARK).

Minutes.—The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, the 14th of July, 1898, were read and confirmed.

Draft Bye-laws.—The draft bye-laws for regulating the sale of Poisons to be made under sub-section 22 of section 13 of Ordinance 24 of 1887 were read and considered.

The President moved-

That the bye-laws be made and transmitted to the Colonial Secretary for the approval of the Legislative Council.

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Trough Closets.—An application for permission to erect trough closets at the new married quarters to be erected by the Military Authorities to the north of Kennedy Road was read and considered.

The Captain Superintendent of Police moved—

That the Board refuse the application because the premises for which permission is asked do not fall within the category of buildings in which the Board has agreed in the past to permit the introduction of water closets.

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

The Director of Public Works addressed the Board.

The Medical Officer of Health addressed the Board.

The Captain Superintendent of Police addressed the Board.

The President addressed the Board.

The Board divided.

Ayes.

The President.
The Captain Superintendent of Police.

The Medical Officer of Health.

Noes.

The Director of Public Works.

The Acting Registrar General.

Motion carried.

Report.—A report by the Honourable F. H. May concerning the search parties of Police employed during the recent epidemic of Bubonic Plague was laid on the table.

The President moved—

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That this Board begs to thank the Honourable F. H. May, C.M.G., for the valuable assistance he has rendered during the recent epidemic of Bubonic Plague.

The Director of Public Works seconded.

Question--put and agreed to.

Laundry Bye-laws.—A petition from certain laundrymen having reference to the interpretation of the bye-laws relating to sleeping in public laundries was laid on the table.

The President addressed the Board.

The Acting Registrar General addressed the Board.

It was agreed that the bye-laws should be amended.

Loan of Plungers.—Certain correspondence having reference to the depositing of plungers with some drainage contractors for loan to the public was laid on the table.

It was agreed that the matter should stand over until it was seen what use is made by the public of the plungers deposited at the principal Police Stations.

Bubonic Plague Returns.—Bubonic Plague returns from Bombay from June 21st to July 4th; from Formosa for the weeks ending June 9th and 17th, and from Amoy from July 2nd to July 12th, 1898, were laid on the table.

Mortality Returns.—The mortality returns for Macao for the weeks ending July 10th and July 17th and for the Colony of Hongkong for the weeks ending July 16th and July 23rd, 1898, were laid on the table.

Letter of Thanks to Commissioner of Imperial Maritime Customs.—The Captain Superintendent of Police addressed the Board and moved—

That a letter of thanks be addressed to Mr. H. M. Hillier, Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon, for the very valuable assistance rendered by him to the Board during the recent epidemic of Bubonic Plague.

The President seconded.

Question-put and agreed to.

Conservancy Contract.—The conditions of the conservancy contract for 1898-1901 were considered, amended, and adopted.

Shaukiwan Scavenging Contract.—Certain correspondence having reference to the Shaukiwan Conservancy contract was read and considered.

The President moved-

That the Board inform the Government that the Scavenging Contractor for Shaukiwan is not fulfilling the whole of his contract and that it is for the public interest that his contract should be cancelled.

The Medical Officer of Health seconded. Question—put and agreed to.

The President then moved---

That strangers be requested to withdraw.

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

A confidential meeting of the Board was then held.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 11th day of August. 1898.

F. H. MAY, Vice-Fresident.

Read and confirmed this 11th day of August, 1898.

F. W. CLARK,
Acting Secretary.

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The following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on Monday, the 29th day of August, 1898, at 3 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th August, 1898.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 29th day of August, 1898, at 3 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 99 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

1	No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents	Amnuar	Upset
				N.	s.	Е.	w.	Square ft.	Rent.	Price.
-				feet.	feet.	feet.	feet.		\$	8
	1	Inland Lot No. 1,508.	Morrison Hill Road, (Canal side),	100′	100′	50′	50′	5,000	62	1,750

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

- 1. The highest bidder above the upset price shall be the Purchaser, and if any dispute arise between two or more bidders, the Lot in dispute shall be put up again at a former bidding.
 - 2. No person shall at any bidding advance less than \$25.
- 3. Immediately after the fall of the hammer, the Purchaser shall sign the Memorandum of Agreement, hereinafter contained, for completing the purchase according to these Conditions, and shall, within Three Days of the day of sale, pay into the Colonial Treasury the full amount of Premium at which the Lot shall have been purchased.
- 4. The Purchaser of the Lot shall also pay to the Land Officer, on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, the sum of \$15 within three days of the day of sale, for and in consideration of the Boundary Stones, properly cut, fixed, and marked with the Registry Number, which shall be placed by the Director of Public Works, for the Purchaser, at each angle of the Lot.
- 5. The Purchaser of the Lot shall pay to the Land Officer, on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, a Fee of \$15 upon the execution of the Crown Lease thereof.