

Trough Closets.—An application for permission to erect trough closets in a new building on the Praya Reclamation was considered.

The Vice-President moved—

That the application be granted, subject to the approval of the plans by the Board's Surveyor.

Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Fat-boiling premises.—An application for the approval of the premises No. 6 Temple Street, Yaumati, as a fat-boiling establishment and a similar application in respect of 78 Market Street, Hunghom, were considered.

The Vice-President moved—

That the premises be approved by the Board.

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Licences to keep Swine.—Two applications for the renewal of licences to keep swine at Ma-ti were considered.

The Vice-President moved—

That the licences be granted.

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bubonic Plague Returns.—Bubonic Plague returns from Bombay from August 16th to 29th, 1898, were laid on the table.

Mortality Returns.—The mortality returns for Macao for the weeks ending September 4th and 11th, 1898, were laid on the table.

The mortality returns for the Colony of Hongkong for the weeks ending September 10th and 17th, 1898, were laid on the table.

The Vice-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 6th day of October, 1898.

J. M. ATKINSON,
President.

Read and confirmed this 6th day of October, 1898.

FRANCIS W. CLARK,
Acting Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. —No. 447.

The following Order is published.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th October, 1898.

ORDER

Made by the Governor in Council under section 6 of Ordinance 15 of 1888 this 5th day of October, 1898.

The Governor in Council hereby directs that a general valuation, under The Rating Ordinance, 1888, of the rateable tenements in the City of Victoria, the Hill District, Aberdeen, Shaukiwan, Kowloon Point, Hunghom, Yaumati, Taikoktsui and Fuktsunheung, for the year commencing 1st July, 1899, shall be made on or before the 30th day of April, 1899, but that, as regards rateable tenements situated elsewhere in the Colony, the existing valuation shall be adopted as that for the said year.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
HONGKONG.

J. G. T. BUCKLE,
Clerk of Councils.