

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 514.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint WILLIAM CHARLES HOLLAND HASTINGS, (Retired Commander, R.N.) to be Acting Harbour Master (in addition to his other duties) with effect from the 12th instant and during the temporary absence on account of sickness of the Honourable ROBERT MURRAY RUMSEY, (Retired Commander, R.N.).

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th November, 1898.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 515.

The following Minutes are published.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th November, 1898.

No. 22.

Minutes of the proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD, at a meeting held on Thursday, the 3rd day of November, 1898.

## PRESENT :

The Principal Civil Medical Officer, (Dr. JOHN MITFORD ATKINSON), President.  
The Captain Superintendent of Police, (The Honourable FRANCIS HENRY MAY, C.M.G.), Vice-President.  
The Director of Public Works, (The Honourable ROBERT DALY ORMSBY).  
The Acting Registrar General, (JAMES DYER BALL, Esquire).  
The Medical Officer of Health, (Dr. FRANCIS WILLIAM CLARK).  
EDWARD OSBORNE, Esquire.

**Minutes.**—The minutes of a regular meeting held on the 20th day of October, 1898, and of a confidential meeting held on the same date, having been circulated, were confirmed.

**Report.**—A report by the Medical Officer of Health concerning some insanitary dwellings in Sai Wa Lane was considered.

The President moved—

*That a notice be served on the owner of these premises in accordance with the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health.*

The Director of Public Works seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**Well-water.**—A report by the Government Analyst upon a sample of water from a well near the Sokonpo Market was considered.

The Captain Superintendent of Police moved—

*That an order be made for the closure of the well within a month from the date of service of the notice.*

Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**Application for permission to erect a building of a greater height than 76 feet.**—An application for permission to erect a building upon the Praya Reclamation (Marine Lots 2A., 2 B., and 101) to a height of 106 feet was considered.

The Medical Officer of Health moved—

*That the application be granted.*

The Director of Public Works seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**Bubonic Plague Returns.**—Bubonic Plague returns from Bombay for September 27th to October 18th, 1898, were laid on the table.

**Mortality Returns.**—The mortality return for Macao for the week ending October 23rd, 1898, was laid on the table.

The mortality returns for the Colony of Hongkong for the weeks ending October 22nd and 29th, 1898, were laid on the table.

**Adjournment.**—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 17th day of November, 1898.

J. M. ATKINSON,  
*President.*

Confirmed this 17th day of November, 1898.

FRANCIS W. CLARK,  
*Acting Secretary.*