Minutes of the proceedings of the Sanitary Board, at a special meeting held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of January, 1899.

## 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).

Cattle Disease.—A report from the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon intimating that Foot and Mouth Disease had spread to the other sheds of the East Point Dairy Company's premises at Wong-nei-chong, and advising that the whole of these premises be declared to be infected, was read.

The President addressed the Board and moved--

That the whole of these premises be declared an infected area in accordance with Bye-law 12 made under section 1 of Ordinance 10 of 1898, as substituted for sub-section (5) of section 2 of Ordinance 17 of 1887.

The Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police seconded. Question—put and agreed to.

Adjournment.—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 5th day of January, 1899.

J. M. ATKINSON, President.

Confirmed this 5th day of January, 1899.

FRANCIS W. CLARK, Acting Secretary.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 6.

The following Notice is published.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th January, 1899.

## NOTICE.

Government are prepared to receive offers for the lease by the year for farming or gardening purposes of an area of open terraced land, between two and three acres in extent, in the Sookunpoo Valley, behind the Cotton Mills, formerly cultivated with paddy. Only temporary matsheds can be erected on the land, and the lease will be subject to cancellation on three months' notice. Offer to be sent to the Colonial Secretary before Noon on the 16th January, 1899.

R. D. ORMSBY, Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department, Hongkong, 4th January, 1899.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.--No. 7.

Information has been received from the Military Authorities that Artillery Practice will take place from Sywan Hill (near Lyemun), between the 17th and 19th of January, 1899, in a Southerly direction over a land range, against spurs on Mount Parker; and also in a South-Easterly direction over a land range on to a hill.

All persons are warned to keep clear of the ranges, which will be indicated by Gunners placed on piquet for that purpose, whilst practice is being carried out.

All persons are, moreover, warned, that any unexploded shell should not be touched.

By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th January, 1899.