

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 133.

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By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

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

No. 4.

Minutes of the proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD, at a meeting held on Thursday, the 16th day of February, 1899.

## PRESENT:

The Principal Civil Medical Officer, (Dr. JOHN MITFORD ATKINSON), President.

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

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

EDWARD OSBORNE, Esquire.

**Minutes.**—The minutes of a meeting held on the 2nd day of February, 1899, and of a confidential meeting held on the same date, were confirmed.

**Bubonic Plague.**—Bubonic Plague returns from Bombay for January 3rd to 16th, 1899, were laid on the table.

A further telegram concerning the outbreak of Bubonic Plague in Calcutta was laid on the table.

A further Report concerning the outbreak of Bubonic Plague at Tainan, Formosa, was laid on the table. It was agreed to request the Government to ascertain by telegraph whether any cases of Bubonic Plague had occurred at Tai-wan-fu.

**Offensive Trades.**—An application for a licence to establish a fat-boiling industry at 4, Sutherland Street, West Point, was considered.

The President moved—

*That the licence be granted.*

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**Licences to keep Cattle, Swine and Goats.**—One hundred and twenty applications for licences and renewal of licences to keep Cattle, Swine and Goats were considered.

The President moved—

*That the licences be granted.*

The Director of Public Works seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**Mortality Returns.**—The mortality return for Macao for the week ending January 29th, 1899, was laid on the table.

The mortality returns for the Colony of Hongkong for the weeks ending February 4th and 11th, 1899, were laid on the table.

The President 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 2nd day of March, 1899.

J. M. ATKINSON,  
*President.*

Confirmed this 2nd day of March, 1899.

FRANCIS W. CLARK,  
*Acting Secretary.*