

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 159.

With reference to Government Notification No. 144 of the 11th instant, it is hereby notified that the 1st day of April has been fixed as the date from which the Regulations published thereunder shall come into force.

By Command,

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

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th March, 1899.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 160.

The following Minutes are published.

By Command,

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

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 17th March, 1899.

Nb. 5.

Minutes of the proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD, at a meeting held on Thursday, the 2nd day of March, 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 Medical Officer of Health, (Dr. FRANCIS WILLIAM CLARK).  
EDWARD OSBORNE, Esquire.

**Minutes.**—The minutes of a meeting held on the 16th day of February, 1899, and of a confidential meeting held on the same date, were confirmed.

**Slaughter-houses.**—A letter from the Colonial Secretary, concerning the control of the Slaughter-houses of the Colony by the Government was laid on the table.

**Water Supply of Villages.**—Some correspondence concerning the water supply of the outlying villages was laid on the table.

**Bubonic Plague.**—Further Reports concerning the progress of Bubonic Plague in Calcutta and Formosa were laid on the table.

Bubonic Plague returns from Bombay for January 17th to 30th, 1899, were laid on the table.

**Licences to keep Cattle, Swine and Goats.**—Seventy-one applications for licences and renewal of licences to keep cattle, swine and goats were considered.

The President moved—

*That the licences be granted.*

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

**Mortality Returns.**—The mortality returns for Macao for the weeks ending February 5th and 12th, 1899, were laid on the table.

The mortality returns for the Colony of Hongkong for the weeks ending February 18th and 25th, 1899, were laid on the table.

The President moved—

*That strangers be requested to withdraw.*

The Captain Superintendent of Police seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

A confidential meeting of the Board was then held.

**Adjournment.**—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 16th day of March, 1899.

J. M. ATKINSON,  
*President.*

Confirmed this 16th day of March, 1899.

C. W. DUGGAN,  
*Secretary.*

No. 6.

Minutes of the proceedings of the SANITARY BOARD, at a special meeting held on Friday, the 10th day of March, 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.

Mr. LADDS, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, was in attendance.

**Rinderpest.**—A report from the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon that Rinderpest had broken out in sheds Nos. 1 and 3 Kennedy Street, Wanchai, among 20 head of cattle housed therein, the property of Mr. J. KENNEDY, Garden Road, and recommending the immediate slaughter of the whole of the animals, and that compensation be granted, was read.

The President addressed the Board and moved—  
*That the premises known as Nos. 1 and 3 Kennedy Street, Wanchai, be declared infected with Rinderpest in accordance with Bye-law 12, Schedule A, made under sub-section 5 of section 2 of Ordinance 17 of 1887 as amended by section 1 of Ordinance 10 of 1898.*

The Medical Officer of Health seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

The Medical Officer of Health addressed the Board and moved—

*That all the cattle at the aforesaid premises be slaughtered and the carcasses buried, and that the Governor-in-Council be informed in accordance with section 3 of Ordinance 17 of 1887.*

The President seconded.

Discussion ensued.

The Director of Public Works moved as an amendment—

*That only the diseased cattle be slaughtered, and the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon be authorised to have the other cattle slaughtered should they show signs of the disease.*

Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE seconded.

The Medical Officer of Health addressed the Board.

The President addressed the Board.

The Board divided.

*Ayes.*

*Noes.*

The Director of Public Works.  
Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

The President.  
The Medical Officer of Health.

Amendment not carried.

The Board divided on the motion.

*Ayes.*

*Noes.*

The President.  
The Medical Officer of Health.

The Director of Public Works.  
Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE.

The motion was carried by the casting vote of the President.

**Adjournment.**—The Board then adjourned until Thursday, the 16th day of March, 1899.

J. M. ATKINSON,  
President.

Confirmed this 16th day of March, 1899.

C. W. DUGGAN,  
Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 161.

The following Telegram is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th March, 1899.

"SINGAPORE, 15th March, 1899."

"SECRETARY,

"Hongkong.

"Nine days' quarantine imposed on arrivals from Hongkong.

"SECRETARY."