COMMITTEE ON THE BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE FURTHER PROVISION FOR THE SANITATION OF THE COLONY AND TO REPEAL CERTAIN ENACTMENTS OF THE CLOSED HOUSES AND INSANITARY DWELLINGS ORDINANCE, 1894.

Amendments were proposed and adopted in clauses 4, 6, 9, 10, and 11.

Further discussion on the 7th and 8th clauses was adjourned.

Council resumed.

BILL ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE RATING ORDINANCE, 1888.—The Acting Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time.

Question put--that this Bill do now pass.

Bill passed.

ADJOURNMENT.-The Council then adjourned until Monday, the 13th November, 1899, at 3 p.m.

HENRY A. BLAKE, Governor.

Read and confirmed, this 13th day of November, 1899.

R. F. Johnston, Acting Clerk of Councils.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION .-- No. 631.

It is hereby notified that the 1900 Examination in connection with the "Ouseley" Scholarships for proficiency in Oriental languages will be held in London in the early part of July. Candidates for this examination, the subject of which will be Hindustani, should give notice of their intention to compete, as early as possible, to the Secretary, School for Modern Oriental Studies, Imperial Institute, London, S.W.

Full particulars may be obtained on application at this Office.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 15th November, 1899.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION, -No. 632

It is hereby notified that Her Majesty has not been a lyise I to exercise her power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances:—

Ordinance No. 20 of 1899, entitled—An Ordinance to authorise the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Three hundred and Eight thousand Six hundred and Seventy-two Dollars and Eighty-seven Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1898.

Ordinance No. 21 of 1899, entitled—An Ordinance for the prevention of the concealment of Opium on board steamships.

Ordinance No. 22 of 1899, entitled—An Ordinance to further amend the Cattle Diseases, Slaughter Houses and Markets Ordinances.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Scoretary's Office, Hongkong, 15th November, 1899.