EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 408.

Order made by the Governor in Council under section 9 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, on the 5th day of July, 1927.

Schedule C to the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, is repealed and the following Schedule is substituted therefor:—

Schedule C.

Rules for the Election of Members of the Sanitary Board.

- 1. The Governor may appoint any person to be the Presiding Officer at elections of members of the Sanitary Board, and failing any such appointment the Registrar of the Supreme Court shall be the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer shall have the general conduct of the election and of the ballot, if any, and, in respect of any matter not provided for by these rules, or by any other enactment, he may take any action which is not inconsistent with these rules or with any other enactment applicable to such matter.
- 2. When any vacancy on the Sanitary Board occurs which necessitates an election the Presiding Officer shall cause that fact to be notified in the Gazette and shall in the said notification invite nominations of candidates to fill the vacancy. Such nominations will be accepted up to 1 p.m. on the twelfth day after the date of the Gazette in which the notification appears. No nomination received by the Presiding Officer after 1 p.m. on that day will be valid, provided that if the said twelfth day is a general or public holiday nominations will be accepted up to 1 p.m. on the first succeeding day which is not a general or public holiday. Nominations shall be in writing and shall be signed by two electors and shall be countersigned by the candidate.
- 3. If the number of candidates duly nominated does not exceed the number of vacancies the Presiding Officer shall cause to be notified in the Gazette the election of the said candidate or candidates.
- 4. If the number of candidates duly nominated exceeds the number of vacancies a ballot will be held at such place, on such day, and between such times, as may be notified by the Presiding Officer in the Gazette. At least three weeks shall elapse between the date of the Gazette and the date fixed for the ballot.
- 5. The voting shall be by ballot. No elector shall give more than one vote in respect of any one candidate. Candidates shall not, as such, be disqualified from voting. The Presiding Officer shall cause the name of every elector voting to be recorded.
- 6. Subject to the provisions of Rule 9, no ballot paper shall be issued after the later of the two times specified in the Gazette notification as the times between which the ballot is to be held, but ballot papers already issued may be filled up and deposited in the ballot boxes after that time, if so filled up and deposited forthwith.
- 7. The candidates and their agents (not exceeding four in number in the case of each candidate) may be present at the opening of the ballot boxes and the counting of the votes.
- 8. Whenever it is impossible, owing to equality of voting, to say which of two or more candidates is or are entitled to be declared elected the names of such candidates shall be submitted to another ballot, which shall be held on such day, at such place, and between such times, as may be notified by the Presiding Officer in the Gazette.
- 9. The Presiding Officer in his absolute discretion may extend the time up to which voting may take place at any ballot, or may adjourn the ballot to another day, and may at any time close the ballot after such extension of time or adjournment.

10. Upon the completion of the balloting in any election the Presiding Officer shall cause to be notified in the Gazette the names of the candidates and the number of votes obtained by each, and the candidates or the two candidates, according to the number of vacancies, who shall have obtained the highest number of votes shall thereupon be deemed to have been elected.

D. W. TRATMAN, Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, 5th July, 1927.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

No. 409.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, No. 5.

Thursday, 30th June, 1927, at 2.30 p.m.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

(Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.).

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General Charles Camac Luard, C.B., C.M.G.).

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary, (WILFRID THOMAS SOUTHORN, C.M.G.).

- the Attorney General, (Sir Joseph Horsford Kemp, Kt., K.C., C.B.E.).
- the Colonial Treasurer, (Charles MoIlvaine Messer, O.B.E.).
- ,, Mr. EDWIN RACHARD HALLIFAX, C.M.G., C.B.E., (Secretary for Chinese Affairs).
- Mr. Henry Thomas Jackman, (Acting Director of Public Works).
- , Mr. Edward Dudley Corscaden Wolfe, (Captain Superintendent of Police).
- , Sir Shouson Chow, Kt.
- ,, Mr. Dallas Gerald Mercer Bernard.
- Mr. Robert Hormus Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D.
- .. Mr. Arthur Cecil Hynes.
- Mr. John Owen Hughes.
- Mr. William Edward Leonard Shenton.
- 1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment. His Excellency the Governor occupied the Chair.

MINUTES.

2. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 23rd June, 1927, were confirmed.

PAPERS.

3. The following paper was laid on the table:

Resolution under the provisions of section 7 of the Tramway Ordinance, 1902,

on 23rd June, 1927.