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PROVIDED ALWAYS, and these presents are upon this express condition, that if the said yearly rent of

payable in current dollars as aforesaid, wherein before reserved or any part thereof, shall be in arrear and unpaid for the space of twenty one days next over, or after any or either of the said days whereon the same ought to be paid as aforesaid, (being lawfully demanded upon, or at any time after the said twenty one days, and not paid when demanded) or in case of breach, or non performance of any, or either of the other covenants, clauses, conditions, agreements or provisions herein contained, and by, and on the part and behalf of the said

his executors, administrators, and assigns to be kept done, and performed, then, and in either of the said cases, from thenceforth, and at all times thereafter, it shall and may be lawful and for Her said Majesty, Her Heirs, Successors, or Assigns by the Governor of Hongkong, or other person duly authorized in that behalf into and upon the said hereby demised premises, or any part thereof, in the name of the whole, to re-ent, and the same to have again retain, repossess, and enjoy, as in Her or their first or former estate, as if these presents had not been made; and the said

his executors, administrators, and assigns, and all other occupiers of the said premises, thereout and thence utterly to expel, put out, and amove, this Indenture or any thing contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding. IN WITNESS whereof the said Sir Henry Pottinger duly authorized by Her said Majesty as aforesaid, hath executed these presents, and hereunto set the Public Seal of the Colony of Hongkong aforesaid, in the Name and on the behalf of Her Majesty, the day and year first above writing.

We are enabled to furnish our Readers with a Copy of the General Orders lately issued by the Commander in Chief.

GENERAL ORDER

By The Honorable Major General D'Aguiar C. B. &c. &c. &c.

Victoria, 12th January, 1844.

In assuming the Command of the Troops serving in China, and which Her Majesty has been pleased to appoint him, Major General D'Aguiar confidently trusts that he shall receive from Officers and Departments the same support in the maintenance of discipline, which they have afforded to his distinguished Predecessor.

Major General Lord Saltoun K. C. B. and G. C. H. will continue to be received with the highest honors during the time His Lordship remain, within this Command.

By Command, of the Major General Comg.

T. EDWARDS.

Assistant Adjutant General.

GENERAL ORDER

By The Honorable Major General D'Aguiar C. B. &c. &c. &c.

Victoria, 30th January, 1844.

Major General Lord Saltoun K. C. B. and G. C. H. will embark for England in Her Majesty's Ship *Dido* on Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

His Lordship carries with him the respect and regret of every branch of the Troops that have had the honor to serve under his orders, and the Officers of the garrison, together with the Staff and Heads of Departments are requested to attend at the Commissariat Wharf to pay to His Lordship their last tribute of Respect on his departure.

A guard of Honor consisting of the Grenadiers of the 41st Regiment Madras Native Infantry, will form at the point of embarkation, and a Salute of eleven Guns (by order of the Governor) will be fired on His Lordship returning to the Boat that carries him from Hongkong with the best wishes of his Fellow Soldiers for his prosperity and Welfare.

By Command, of the Major General Comg.

(Signed)

T. EDWARDS.

Assistant Adjutant General.

ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "Friend of China."

Mr. Editor,

I am sorry to perceive that although this Colony is so young it is not devoid of persons imbued with a portion of that bitter Spirit, which has kept the Political World in continual jar. I allude to the effusion in your last issue under the name of "Publicola." The right of advertising on the Public acts of the Powers that be, is, and only the proud prerogative of a British subject, but in doing so a writer attains his end only by stating facts, avoiding all of sustain and bombast.

During a few months sojourn in Victoria, I have made much enquiry with regard to the acts of the Local Government of the Island, and comparing the results of my knowledge with the statements of your

Correspondent, perceive much of injustice and ignorance, and with allusion to the chief subject of his letter, the late Land Sales, I would refer to the proceedings of the former, as published in the HONGKONG GAZETTE under date 25th June, 1841. We there read amongst the other conditions of sale, that the biddings were to be for an annual quit rent, the upset price to be £ 10 for each lot—the biddings to advance by Ten Shillings and on a lot being knocked down to the highest bidder an acknowledgment that he was the purchaser to be given, which Memorandum was to be exchanged (when prepared) for a more formal title.

It appears to me Mr. Editor that the terms of the late sale were of somewhat the same nature, excepting that there was no doubt as to what that title would be,—and the average of the upsets (the point on which your Correspondent appears most aggrieved) is evidently a considerable modification of the annual rents as fixed by the Merchants themselves.—In some instances we read of their having run up the prices as high as £ 160, £ 185, £ 230, £ 250 and £ 265 pounds, for a frontage of 100 feet commencing from an upset of 10 £ and the average result of quit rent for 105 feet square appears to have been upwards of £ 80 per annum, yet your Correspondent asserts that the high upset prices fixed at the last sale was no more than an unjust advantage, taken of those who had improved their grants. Your Correspondent could not have been aware of the above facts or he would have made no such assertion, and this Mr. Editor convinces me that he is not of the Brain he would fain be thought. And why should he rail out against tyranny in prospective, and conjure up to his distorted imagination a fancied grievance. True the powers vested in our present Chief Superintendent are immense, but they are no more than an instance of the confidence of a grateful Home Government, and until tyranny is actually practised there is no need of spitting such venomous language against a man whom future History will be proud to think of, and say they lived under his Rule.—There has been no cajoling, nor none needed, to incite British Merchants to settle in Hongkong. Enterprise in this country has been too long travelled, and these actually interested in the China Trade are too happy at paying a price for a liberation. Without any reference to Lord Stanley's act, Colonial precedent, or even the determination which I hear the Home Government have come to, that Hongkong shall pay for itself, I deem that the heads of our affairs are justified in levying high rates as a principal means of preparing this barren rock for the reception of a generally refined class of men, and to raise it from the evil character which it has almost obtained, as being the prolific hotbed of disease and death. In conclusion Mr. Editor I would not wish the name sake of a better writer, to think, that in making the above remarks I am willing to enter the lists of a wordy Tournament and answer all the arguments which he threatens. I have hastily endeavoured to set facts before the minds of the uninformed and a word of vindication for him who actually requires it not. "Inflated and Bombastic" is too mild a term to use in reference to your correspondents style. I hope Mr. Editor on resumption of your Editorial duties (hearing that you are at Macao) you will more plainly condemn the would be redoubtable champion of the Injured Colonist.

I am Sir,
Your most obt. Servant.

Victoria, 2nd February, 1844.

VINEXE.

To the Editor of the Friend of China,

Sir.—You charge me, with using bombastic and violent language; to that I reply, it is a mere matter of opinion—let the public be the Judge!—Is no excuse to be made for one writing under excitement occasioned by unjust and illiberal treatment? However Mr. Editor, as it was a higher motive which induced me to address the public, through the medium of your columns, than to come into collision with you on the mere subject of language, I shall make no further comment on your remarks but shall endeavor to profit by your advice. "That truth needs only to be told in a plain and unvarnished style to gain the readers sympathy in a just cause"—and if a true and plain recapitulation of facts can raise the injured landholders from the proverbial lethargy of the British Community in China, to seek redress, and demand justice at the hands of Mr. Henry Pottinger then have I no fear of injuring the cause I am now advocating.

I now proceed as promised in my first letter, to review the land regulations, and the proceedings consequent thereon, since the cession of this Island by the Imperial Commissioner Kienan, to Great Britain, and the time when it became part of Her Majesty's Dominion by public agreement between the high Officers of both the British and Chinese Governments.

So far back as June 1841 the British side of Land took place, but owing to the uncertain and critical state in which both the Island and our general relations with China were then placed, none of the purchasers felt inclined to run the risk of building, consequently the Island remained in statu quo until Mr. Johnston (who had been intrusted with the Government by Captain Elliot, then Plenipotentiary) held out great inducements to parties to re-ent. This Gentleman made several grants (as they were then termed) and encouraged building. Then he granted that the upset price of our Merchants was shown by their investing large sums in the Colony. Then it was that the Island began to rise in prosperity and houses were seen springing up in every direction. Was not this investment of their capital made on the faith that the Government would act liberally in the future adjustment of the same? Were they not tacitly permitted, nay, even urged by His Excellency Sir Henry Pottinger to build? Was ever any intimation given that the validity of their grants, as made by Mr. Johnston, would ever be repudiated? Certainly not. On the contrary, Sir Henry Pottinger evinced the strongest desire to have those grants definitely settled, for he appointed a Committee, in March 1842, to investigate any claim then pending regarding allotted locations of Ground of whatever description, and finally to define and mark off the limits of all locations that had not been so granted upon any other terms. Further His Excellency on the 2nd of April 1842 stipulated that unless parties sent in a written statement of their cases without delay they would not be taken into consideration.

As far as I now every land holder strictly complied with these injunctions, and had his ground marked off by the Land Committee; but now, forsooth, after a lapse of nearly two years, and even in spite of these Notifications, His Excellency turns

round and sets them saying, that no claims are valid, made previous to the ratification of the treaty. His Excellency has already annulled his former acts; what security now, I would ask, has the Colonist that he will not do so again and again?

The whole proceedings of the Committee were most irregular, and irregularly in what respect, his position is the last holder placed. Land on which he has built in the full faith that the acts of the Committee were final is swept away from him, and, in some instances, perhaps reducing the confiding Colonist to poverty. But does the local Government submit to such measures and not seek redress? I think not, for already I am glad to say the numerous members of this Community are agitating the question and contemplate an appeal home. I fervently hope that unanimity will prevail amongst them. If they are unanimous they need not fear obtaining redress against such an unjust infringement of their rights.

The last Sale is a climax to the preceding Land regulations. The conditions were not published. But in some instances the parties had intimation that the only penalty they would incur, in the event of their abandoning any lots which they might purchase, would be a fine of 15 per cent on one year's rental. I cannot for a moment conceive that there was a collusion on the part of Officials with those parties who obtained the intimation, but of this I am convinced, and I am generally of opinion, that it has had a most pernicious effect on the legitimate buyer. It could operate but in one way, that is, to raise the price of Land. Observe the effect. A party is aware that he would only have to pay 15 per cent on the annual rental in the event of throwing up any particular lots which he might purchase.—The natural consequence of this is (and it is a fact) that he would offer, or become the purchaser of a much greater number of Lots than his means would enable him to comply with the conditions of sale, namely, the erection on each lot of a building equivalent to ten years rental, besides having the great advantage of picking and choosing the eligible lots, and avoiding those covered with rocks or having a gully running through them. I have yet one faint hope, left that, when His Excellency's attention is drawn to the under-current existing at the Sale, he will cause the matter to be investigated as a common act of justice to the legitimate purchasers.

PUBLICOLA.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1844.

TEA.—At the public sales the biddings were languid throughout for both black and green tea; of 17,281 packages brought forward, only 7,200 were actually disposed of at a reduction on the rates of the auctions held on Tuesday last of 4d for Congou, 3d to 4d for Twankay, 1d to 2d for Souchong, 1d, for Orange Pekoe, and 2d to 3d for Young Hyson; other descriptions of tea went a shade under former rates. The chief part of the Tea offered was Souchong, and the prices paid were as follow—viz. Congou, lower ord sold at 7d, good order new ls. but mid blkish leaf ra 6s 1s 13d to 1s 2d, but mid blkish leaf ra str 1s 2d to 1s 3d; mid blkish leaf str 1s 4d to 1s 4 1/2d; str Pekoe fra 1s 8d; Pouchong 3 1/2d to 1s, and very low 1d; Souchong; but mid 1s 2d, ord 4 1/2d to 7d; scented Hung Muey 1s 6d; Caper but mid 1s 4 to 1s 1d; Young Hyson, mid ra str 2s 5 1/2d to 2s 6 1/2d, but mid 1s 6 to 1s 6 1/2d to 2s 2d; Orange Pekoe, but mid flat 1s 4d to 1s 4 1/2d, mid ra str 1s 4 1/2d to 1s 5d; scented Orange Pekoe str 2s 5 1/2d to 2s 5 1/2d; Twankay, but mid 1s 2d; Hyson, mid str 2s 6 1/2d to 2s 8, good 2s 9 1/2d to 2s 10 1/2d, good 3s 6d, but mid ra fresh 2s 4 1/2d to 2s 5d, but mid ra flat 2s 1d, mid 1s 10 to 2s; Imperial ord coa (Canton) 1s 6d to 1s 10 1/2d; Gunpowder, good ord coa (Canton) 2s to 2s 2 1/2, but mid 1s 4d to 2s 3d to 2s 4 1/2d per pound.

ARROWROOT.—East India at auction went at 8d.

CASIA LIGNEA has declined 3s to 4s for good middling and good, 2s for low middling, and 1s for ord and good ord descriptions. The demand, however, has been good, and 1202 chests 1630 boxes were nearly all disposed of at and after the public sales.—viz. good thin quill at 65s to 66s, good middling 63s to 63s 6d, middling 60s to 62s 6d, low middling 58s to 59s 6d, good ordinary coarse 54 to 57, ordinary foxy 50s to 53s, mouldy first class 52s 6d to 56s 6d, common damaged 51s, mouldy 51s to 54s 6d, broken ends 52s 6d to 55s 6d, broken 46s to 48s 6d, loose and broken 46s 6d, and sea-damaged 45s 6d to 46s.

SILK.—East India and China Silk have maintained the former value and a good demand has existed.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 14.—COTTON-MARKET.—In consequence of advices, by the *Switzerland*, from New York, stating that a frost had occurred in several of the cotton-growing States, we have had rather an excited market to day, and the total sales amount to 10,000 bales, consisting of 2,000 Surats, 3 1/2d to 4 1/2d, and the remainder Americans, at an advance of fully 1/2d, per lb, upon the quotations of Friday last; about one-half of the business is on speculation. Further accounts are anxiously looked for by the *Hibernia* steamer, hourly expected.—London Mail.

A very large and handsome Bell, and a pair of bronze Vases, have been brought to Buckingham Palace from China. The Bell (stated to be a Chinese war Bell) is about five feet in height, and about three feet in diameter. The surface is nearly covered with small raised Chinese Characters, and is ornamented with rows of Miniature Chinese figures at the base, the middle and the top. The two former represented in a sitting posture.—The figure of a Dragon forms the top or handle of the Bell, The Vases have the Chinese Dragon sculptured on each.

India News.

LETTERS BY THIS MAIL.—We fear several members of the Indian community will be disappointed with regard to the receipt of letters from Scotland and Ireland by the present dispatch, as only 48 hours notice of the intermediate mail was given by Government.—Monthly Times.

The Fawcett duel case still rests in abeyance, having a rumour that Lieutenant Munro purposes surrendering himself shortly, and that Mr. Thesiger has been retained to conduct his defence.—Ibid.

STRAM.—The Committee for the celebration of the Overland Mails are actively engaged, and a public meeting will be convened for the first proximo, to receive their report.—Ibid.

NOTICE.

From this date the Charges for Printing at the Hongkong Gazette Office will be as follows;
 Boat Notes - - - - - \$ 2 per hundred
 Opium Orders - - - - - " 1 do. do.
 Bills of Exchange in sols - - - - - " 3 do. do.
 Cheques - - - - - " 1 do. do.
 Ship's Articles - - - - - " 1 each or \$ 0 per doz
 Powers of Attorney - - - - - " 1 do. or " 6 do. do.
 Charter Parties - - - - - " 1 do. or " 6 do. do.
 Auction Bills - - - - - " 2 per first 100, and 75 cents for every succeeding 100.
 Auction Catalogues - - - - - " 3 per do. do. and 1 per do. do.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Ships, not exceeding 10 lines, 1 month \$ 2. longer period, " 4.
 General Advertisements under 10 lines first insertion \$ 1 and 10 cents additional for every line exceeding ten.
 Reprintings, one fourth of the original charge.
 Contracts may be entered into for long or short periods. Terms may be known on application at the Office.

TERMS; CASH.

Victoria, 8th January, 1844.

The publication of the FRIEND OF CHINA, AND HONGKONG GAZETTE, commenced on Saturday last at 6 o'Clock A.M.

LATEST DATES.

ENGLAND	Nov. 15	MANILA	Dec. 29
UNITED STATES	Oct. 15	SYDNEY	Nov. 19
THE CAPE	Oct. 16	SHANGHAI	Jan. 9
SINGAPORE	Jan. 13	CHUSAN	Jan. 11
BOMBAY	Dec. 26	AMOI	Jan. 14
CALCUTTA	Nov. 19	CANTON	Jan. 30
FINANG	Dec. 16	St. Helena	Aug. 27
JAVA	Nov. 25		

THE FRIEND OF CHINA, AND HONG-KONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY, 6TH 1844.

We have been desired, by high Authority, to direct the attention of the Commissioners to the present state of our Roads, and the inefficient drainage of our City. We are glad to observe a numerous arrival of Ladies in our Colony, and unlike the Ladies in India, it gives us pleasure to see, that they are anxious to maintain their health by the delightful recreation of walking exercise, but many have mentioned to us the impossibility of so doing from the dreadful state of our Roads, often ankle-deep in Mud.

We would beg as directed, to draw the attention of our Authorities to the drainage of the City. It cannot be expected in the heat of Summer that we can possibly be healthy—with such inefficient drainage. Every one is aware of the Mortality which took place last Summer—and which we attribute entirely to the above source.

There are localities, where pure Water runs by the sides of the Roads and carries off all impurities, in which, no cases of what has been designated *The Hongkong fever* have taken place—the situation being from the house lately taken by The Honorable General D'Aguiar & Co., & Co. formerly Lanes Hotel—to the house at present occupied by Captain Burd, (both inclusive.)

We do hope that the Commissioners recently appointed will give their most serious attention, to the duties which devolve upon them—and which if neglected, we have the best Medical Authorities in our Island for asserting, will again be the cause of great mortality.

We would recommend most particularly, the covering over of all open Sewers—and more particularly the gullies passing through our City, pregnant with every impurity that can be mentioned.

With respect to the Land Sales, we have again had several Letters, and there appear so many strong arguments on both sides—that we have determined to leave for the present the matter to be settled by the Magistrate. It is impossible with our limited space that we can enter into every dispute, with the press of important Commercial and other matter we have at present on hand.

We are glad to see Ladies, already settling in Canton, so long shut out from that Community.

Our attention has been drawn by several Friends to the state of our Police even when on Duty. They have been observed in many cases in a state of Intoxication. We are sure this cannot have reached the Ears of our worthy and excellent Chief Magistrate, or we feel confident, he would with his usual promptitude immediately have inquired into the matter and we have no doubt the offenders would have been discharged from their duties, and at once returned to their Regiments. Much has been said about the Sailor's who have lately had liberty—but we feel that attention ought to be drawn to the matter in question they being, as we conceive much more to be blamed, than the poor fellows who daily obtain forty-eight hours liberty in a I well known, as observed by one of our Correspondents.

We have to notice the arrival of Thomas W. Waldron Esq., as American Government Agent, with stores for the United States Squadron. We understand he has been appointed as Consul, in Hongkong,—and only awaits the arrival of Documents to enable him to take charge of that important Office.

In another part of our Columns we have published the Lease by which tenure, Land will be held in the Colony and which we feel will be of interest to our Readers.

By the Antelope, 50 days from Bombay. We have received Letters and Papers to the 4th of November Overland.

Tenders will be received at this Office for Bills, to be drawn by H. M. Plenipotentiary in China on the Right Hon'ble, the Governor General of India, in Council, for two Lacs of Company's Rupees (2,00,000) in sets of Co. R. 10,000 payable at Fort William thirty days after Sight, in exchange for Mexican, or other Republican dollars of equal Standard, payable into this Treasury. The Bills will be delivered on receipt of the dollars.

By order,

CHAS. E. STEWART.

Treasurer and Financial Secretary.

Treasurers Office, Government House, Victoria, 9th January, 1844.

CONTRACT FOR WORKS.

Sealed Tenders will be received until the Tenth of February next at Noon from Persons willing to contract for forming streets, building sewers, and for other works in the Town of Victoria. The Drawings and specifications may be seen at this Office after the 3rd of February.

A. T. GORDON,

Land officer.

Land Office, 26th January, 1844.

ADVERTISEMENT.

CEMETERY.—A Gentleman having purchased a lot of Land, unsuitable for building purposes is anxious to form a Joint Stock Company for the formation of a Cemetery. It must be evident to the weakest mind that the contemplated project will prove a safe investment, as the Grave Stones are already in a plentiful supply upon the Lot, and only require engraving, and should it not succeed, there is every reason to suppose, that only 15 per cent will have to be paid on its abandonment. For particulars enquire at the office, of Messrs. Quirk, Gammon, and Snap, Safron Hill, where a Map of the Lot may be seen and the largest stones (suitable of course only for Mandarins) are given upon the plan, The Canale Stones, will be put up at an upset price which at present we cannot exactly denominate. Having enumerated the advantages, we have only one drawback to mention that no Gentleman can be buried here until he makes a Road up to it, and brings his own Earth to cover him.

ADVERTISEMENT.

To be sold by Public Auction on Monday Next at Noon [the 12 Inst] at the Commissariat Office.

1 Grey horse 15 hands	7
1 Brown do. 15. Do.	5

the property of the late John Irvine Esq. Ass. Comy. General. The horses may be seen and further particulars obtained by application at the Commissariat Office any day previous to the sale.

Victoria, 5th February, 1844.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MARKWICK, AND Mc. EWEN, Auctioneers, beg to call the attention of the Public, to the auction of *Horses, Ponies, and Pleasure Boat*, which will take place at Hongkong, on Monday, the 12th February, at noon, agreeably to the Printed notices distributed.

WANTED A SITUATION.

By a young man who has been for some time in the Colony, as Storekeeper, or in any other capacity where he can make himself generally useful.

Office of the Friend of China.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—Is hereby given that sealed tenders will be received at this office, until Friday the 8th February at noon, from such persons as may be willing to contract for Building Billiard Room at Chukchee, according to the plan, sections and specifications to be seen at the office of the Commanding Royal Artillery Superintending Engineer.

EDWARD PINE COFFIN, C. G. Commissariat China, Victoria, 29th January, 1844.

FOR SALE.—The Government and Copper-enclosed Sails, may in duplicate order with a full inventory of stores, may be sold by public contract before the 20th inst. and will be sold by Public Auction.

For particulars apply to

F. TOWNSEND,

Auctioneer.

Victoria, Hongkong, 1st February, 1844.

NOTICE.—We the undersigned beg to announce that we have this day established ourselves as Commission Agents at Hongkong, under the firm of **DISANDT & TIEDEMAN.**

D. DISANDT.

F. H. TIEDEMAN.

Victoria, Hongkong, 1st January, 1844.

FOR SALE.—Small consignments of the following Goods, viz. Sheet Copper and Nails, a few Marr's Fire Proof Iron Safes and Chests, Bavaria Arrack, Sherry and Brandy in Wood, Superior Champagne, Port, Madeira, Hock, Sherry, and Claret in dozen Cases Branda warranted; a good assortment of Oilman's Stores, Cocoanut, Turpentine and Paint Oil, French and English Corks.

Apply to **DISANDT & TIEDEMAN.**

FOR SALE.—A small parcel of good No. 3 SUPERIOR MANILLA CIGARS, in Boxes of 500 each, just received per *Duchess of Cumberland*. A well selected quantity of Manila Rope, and American Soap.

Apply to **DISANDT & TIEDEMAN.**

Oswald's Hill, Opposite to the Premises of Messrs. GIBB LIVINGSTON & Co.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have this day been appointed attorneys for Messrs. D. Wilson & Co. Parties indebted to said Establishment are therefore called upon to settle their accounts with

DISANDT & TIEDEMAN.

Victoria, Hongkong, 10th January, 1844.

AUCTIONEER AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT

J. B. PAIN.

QUEEN'S ROAD OPPOSITE CHINAM HONG.

BEGS to acquaint his friends and the public generally that he has commenced business as an Auctioneer and General Commission Agent, and in returning thanks for all past favours, trusts by unremitting attention and punctuality to merit a continuance of their support in this his new undertaking, at the same time to assure them and all those who have promised him their patronage that no exertion on his part shall be wanting to confirm him in their good opinion. The business will be conducted entirely on Cash principles so that the proceeds will be handed over immediately on the completion of a Sale. His new premises are now ready for the reception of every description of goods intended for public or private Sale.

Queen's Road opposite Chinam Hong.

Victoria, 27th January, 1844.

FOR SALE.—A few Tons of English Coal at \$ 10 per Ton, Apply to,

J. B. PAIN.

Victoria, 27th January, 1844.

FOR SALE.—By the undersigned Fine Fat Sydney Sheep a \$ 5. 1 per Head.

J. B. PAIN.

Victoria, January 31st, 1844.

FOR SALE.—At the Stores of the undersigned a Small Invoice of Slop Clothing consisting of
 Paes Coats, Monkey Jackets Flushing Trowsers, Flannel, Guernsey and Jersey Frocks Southwesters, Scotch Caps, Duck Frocks, Worsted hose Regatta, Shirts, Cotton Shirts, Surge, Blankets, Duck &c., &c.,

ALSO

Valentia Almonds, Mould Candles, Sauces, Pickles, Tart Fruits, Salad Oil, Preserved Meats, Digby Sprats, Percussion Caps, Champagne, Cantinac; Sherry, Port, Whiskey, Gin, Brandy, Table Cloths, Friction Matches, Perfumery, Shovels, Blocks, Shackles, Tar Brushes, Paint Brushes, Coffee, Pitch, Stockholm Tar Oakum, Turpentine, Bunting, Drill, Mouslin-de-laime Dresses, Twine and various other articles.

J. B. PAIN.

Victoria, 1st February, 1844.

BOOKS.

FOR Sale at P. Townsend's Godown, a large collection of New Books and maps, Catalogues of which can be seen at the Godown.

ALSO.

For Sale, Beef, Flour, Oils, Butter, Cheese, Oil table cloth, Hats, Ladies and Gents Shoes, Rum, Arrack, Brand, Wine in quarter casks. An Assortment of Plate Ware Consisting of Baskets, Dishes, Candlesticks, Powder flasks and one or two superior sewing pieces Quilts, Steel Pens, Pencils, Horse furniture, Carriage trimmings, Champagne Cider, Looking Glasses and Hand Mirrors, Shades for Lamps, and sundry other goods.

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Victoria, 1st February, 1844.

ALLIANCE FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China, for the above Company, are prepared to accept Assurances at Hong-Kong, in the under-mentioned Buildings of Brick or Stone, covered with Tiles, Slate, Metal, or other incombustible material, together with their contents, when such Buildings are insulated from all others.

Rate of Premium, 1 per cent. per annum. On each Building and their contents, when not so insulated, at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum. Assurances for 6 months, 3 of the annual rate, will be accepted for 3 months, 1/2 be charged.

Of the 1st Class, Assurances, for the present, will be accepted to the extent of £10,000 only on one risk. And of the 2nd Class, to the extent of £8000.

A Building and its contents taken together, form one risk. Thus the above sums may be underwritten either on a Building alone, or the contents alone; or, part on the Building, and part on the contents.

No Assurance is to be considered in force until the Premium be paid.

Amongst other advantages of the Company, the Assured will be entitled to participate in the profits after five successive payments.

Parties applying for Assurances will please send in full particulars of the risk to be taken, any deviation from which, without the consent of the Company, will vitiate the Policy.

JARDINE, MATHESON, & Co. Agents in China.

Macao, 12th July, 1843.

THE Copartnership existing between DIXON, CARTER & Co. at Bombay, DIXON, RICHMOND & Co. at Liverpool, and ourselves in China, having expired by its own limitation on the 31st July last, we beg leave to announce, that in future our business will be carried on here, under the firm of DIXON, GREY & Co.; at Bombay under the firm of DIXON, RICHMOND & Co.; and at Liverpool under the firm of DIXON, DAVIDSON & Co.

DIXON & Co.

Macao, 1st August, 1843.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have established a House of Agency in China, under the firm of "Boustead & Co." in connexion with Messrs Butler, Sykes & Co. Manila, and Messrs Sykes, Schwabe and Co. Liverpool. The partners in our several establishments continue as before; Mr. Edward Boustead managing in China, Mr. Benjamin Butler at Manila, Mr. Gustav Christian Schwabe at Liverpool, and Mr. Adam Sykes at Singapore.

BOUSTEAD, SCHWABE & Co.

Singapore, 11th August, 1843.

NOTICE.—Mr. John Mackenzie has been admitted a partner in our firm from 1st August last.

LECKIE & Co.

Bombay, 21st September, 1843.

NOTICE.—The undersigned begs to acquaint the Public, that he has taken the ALBION HOTEL, and will conduct it under his immediate superintendance, and hopes thereby to ensure the comfort of Families and others, and to meet the patronage which that Establishment has heretofore had.

A. H. FRYER

Macao, 31st August, 1843.

NOTICE.—Goods and merchandize of all descriptions received and carefully stored in spacious airy and secure Brick Godowns situated 18, and 56 Queens Road upon moderate terms.

Goods placed [except combustibles] in Godown 18, Queen's Road can be insured from risk of Fire. apply to N. DUUS.

Goods received and sold on Commission 18 Queen's Road, Victoria, November, 1st 1843.

NOTICE.—Mark Moss of Singapore, Merchant, having by Indenture, dated the 18th of October instant, assigned all his Property whatsoever to the Undersigned, in Trust to be realised and applied towards satisfaction of the Claims of such of his Creditors as should within six months from the date thereof consent to, or subscribe the said Indenture. By writing or letter addressed to the said Trustee or either of them, signifying their intention of so doing. The Creditors of the said Mark Moss are hereby requested to do so by themselves, or their Agents and at the same time to send in their claims. And notice is hereby given that the Creditors who do not consent to, or subscribe the said Indenture within the said period, shall not participate in the benefit of the said assignment.

The Trustee also hereby require all persons indebted to the said Mark Moss to make payment to them on behalf of the said Trust Estate, without delay, of their respective debts.

JOHN MYRTLE ROBERT MAC EWEN, Trustees.

Singapore 20th October 1843.

IN reference to the above Notice the Undersigned is authorised by Power of Attorney to act for the above named Trustees and requests immediate attention of all concerned, to the foregoing notice.

ERSKINE DUNCAN.

Victoria, Hong-Kong, 27th November, 1843.

CONSULAT DE FRANCE EN CHINE.

AVIS.—Par décision concertée en date d'aujourd'hui Mr. CHALLANZ a été nommé, rattaché au Consulat de France en Chine.

Macao, le 17 Aout, 1843. COMTE DE RATTI-MENTON.

AVIS.—Les Français qui se trouvent, ou se trouveront en Chine, qui prétendent qu'ils veulent assurer la protection du Consulat de France et la jouissance des droits et privilèges des nationaux, ou qui pourront l'être à l'avenir, par les lois ou ordonnances aux articles de S. M. le Roi des Français, devront se faire inscrire sur le registre matricule du dit Consulat, ou se présenter eux-mêmes, ou, en cas d'impossibilité en adressant au Consulat un requête, ou le déclareront, sous serment, qu'ils n'ont obtenu la porte de leur qualité de Français, par aucune des circonstances spécifiées dans l'art. 17 de notre loi, tels que la naturalisation, l'acceptation non autorisée par le Roi, de fonctions publiques conférées par un gouvernement étranger, ou enfin, par tout établissement fait en pays étranger, sans esprit de retour.

Le Consul de France. COMTE DE RATTI-MENTON.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have this day established a house of Agency and Commission at "Hong-kong," under the firm of "Bush and Miller."

(Signed) F. T. BUSH. ALEX. A. MILLER

Victoria, Hongkong, 1st February, 1844.

NOTICE.

MESSRS. CARTER & Co. beg to advertise their having commenced business in Hongkong as Builders Contractors &c., and that from their long experience in England and their arrangements here they flatter themselves they will be able to complete any work with that punctuality, and in that workmanlike manner that will ensure satisfaction to those gentlemen who may honor them with their patronage.

Any communication addressed to Messrs. C. & Co., of the care of Mr. Welch, Chemist and Druggist Victoria will meet with prompt attention.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned is authorized by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief of H. Majesty's Land Forces in China, to receive all packages addressed to the Officers or Messes of any of the Regiments employed during the late war.

N. DUUS.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1843.

NOTICE.

The following packages addressed to the Officers and Messes of H. M. and H. E. I. C's Regts serving during the late war are lying in the Godowns of the Undersigned.

Table listing packages: Cap. F. Cotton Engineers 3 packages, Alderton H. M. 98th Regt. 1 do., Sir W. Mc Gregor Bart, 18 R. I. 2 do., Mess. 6 N. I. 1 do., Col. A. B. Dyce 41 1 do., Cap. Badwood Madras Engineers 1 do., Lieut Rinefort do 1 do., I. F. Erskine 2nd Regt. N. I. 1 do., F. S. Dewberrey H. M. 55th 1 do., I. C. Shaw Engineers 1 do., R. S. Dobbie 39th Regt. 1 do., Sergt. Maj. Wards 2 1 do., F. Welch 55 2 do.

The parties to whom the packages are addressed are requested to make application for them.

N. DUUS.

Victoria, January 1, 1844. Queen's Road.

WHOEVER may have the fourth Volume of Alison's Modern Europe, the property of Lord Slaitoun, is requested to send it to Mr. Miller at the Church.

FOR SALE.

THE following Wines received ex Foam from Messrs. Sandeman Forster and Co. London:

Fine old Pale and Brown Sherry. In wood and bottle. Fine old Madeira. Fine old Port. Sauterne, Moselle, Burgundy and Champagne.

Apply to LINDSAY & Co. Macao, 1 January, 1844.

FOR SALE.

AT THE GODOWNS OF THE UNDERSIGNED Port Wine, in 3 and 6 doz. cases. Sherry do. do. Claret do. do.

HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co. Victoria, 22nd November, 1843.

FOR SALE.

FIVE SUPERIOR London Built Carriages with Harness &c. complete, also complete set of Rosewood Drawing Room Furniture just arrived.

Apply to HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co. Victoria, 22nd November, 1843.

FOR SALE.—E. T. O. Billa on Bengal. Apply to GIBB LIVINGSTON & Co.

FOR SALE.—A few Cwt. of prime English Cheese, at moderate prices; also Pickles, Sauces, Mustard, &c. by M. H. J. CARR. Victoria, 15th January, 1844.

FOR LIVERPOOL.



THE QUEEN MAB, R. Ainley Commander, having the greater part of her cargo engaged and will have immediate despatch, Apply to

GIBB LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong or Canton. Victoria, 15th January 1844.

FOR SALE.



The new and superior built Iron Barque "JOHN LAIRD" 270 Tons N.M.—Sails well carries a large Cargo and is an unexceptionable Sea boat. Masts and Yards fitted in the best style for light working, Standing and running rigging of bolt rope yarn, best London make. Sails: One suit and a half quite new, one half worn of best Navy canvas, Anchors and Cables complete, Patent Windlass, Iron Tanks and Butts, Two new quarter boats with masting and Sails, Launch and Yawl 30 Tons new small sized Kentledge, Guns, arms and ammunition complete in Patent barrels; 2 Pitch pine spars 50 ft. by 14 ins. and others, is well adapted for a Coaster or for short voyages. Could be navigated with a very limited crew, and is ready to start at a days notice.

Apply personally or by letter to the Commanding Officer of board at Whampoa.

FOR LONDON DIRECT.



THE Barque HASHEMY, Captain William Buckle having greater part of her cargo engaged, will have quick despatch. For freight or passage apply to Captain Buckle on board.

BENJAMIN SEARE. Canton.

FOR SALE.—Baly Rice, ditto Coffee, Copenhagen Cherry Cordials in Pints, Manila Cordage, Oakum, Corks, Singapore Planks, Anchors and Chains, Ar-rack, Bengal Chitney, Butter in Kegs, Candles, Bengal Rice, Ditto Dholl, Coal Tar, Swedish Ditto, and Pitch; a variety of other articles.

At the Godowns of JOHN BURD & Co.

FOR SALE.—Ghee, Paints and Paint Oil, Beer in Hhds. At the godowns of JOHN BURD & Co. Victoria, 20th September, 1843.

TO LET.

THE Bungalow & out Offices belonging to Franjee Jemsetjee Esq: situate on the Queen's Road near to Messrs. Macvicar & Co's premises. For particulars apply to Franjee Jemsetjee, Macao, or HOLLIDAY WISE & Co. Victoria, December 15th, 1843.

FOR SALE.

SYCEE SILVER in large Ingots. HUGHESDON, CALDER & Co.

FOR SALE.

THE well known Lercha DODGE. Apply to ERSKINE DUNCAN. Victoria, 26th December, 1843.

TO LET.

TWO GODOWNS in that range of buildings called the Albany Godowns, capable of containing about 2000 Bales of Cotton. Rent 50 per month each.

Apply to A. Mc.CULLOCH. 46 Queen's Road. Victoria, Hong-Kong, 12th December, 1843.

FOR SALE.—Superior Port and Sherry; Lisboa; Madeira; Claret; Champagne; Sauternes; Chablis; Corailled; Cider; pale and dark Cognac in wood and bottle; Geneva; Sperm Candles; Blacking; Table covers; Sauces; Oil; Mustard; Pins; Patent Hat stands; Nails and Tacks of sizes; best French Corn; Cheese; Pocket compasses; Carpenter's tools &c. &c. apply to J. C. POWER.

Victoria, 13th January, 1844.

FOR SALE STOVES of various kinds, and stove piping. Apply at the Godowns of Holliday, Wise & Co. to JOHN RITSON. Victoria, 9th November, 1843.

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