# THE FRIEND 2 OF CHINA AND HONGKONG GAZETTE.

OVERLAND SUMMARY

No. 3.

VICTORIA, WEDNISDAY FEBRUARY 1478, 1844.

(GRATIS to Subscribers)

LATEST DATES.

Ingland States Nov. 15 Oct. 25 Dec. 29 Dec. 26 Dec. 24

SINGAPORE JAVA MANUA CHUSAN SHANGHAI Jan. 15 Jan. 15 Jan. 20 Jan. 28 Jan. 23 Feb. 14

HONGKONG.

Our last summary for the Overland Mail was dated the 23rd December. We resume our task of giving an outline of the affairs of the Colony since that period, as also the state of China generally.

The sale of building allotments in the town of Victoria, took place on the 23rd Ultimo. The allotments were put up by Public Auction at certain prices varying from 10 £ to £ 40 per an: of a ground rent. Parties making purchases, being bound to build within twelve months, to the amount of ten time the ground rent. All Houses to be built of Stone or Brick, to the satisfaction of the Government Surveyor. The sales are not absolute, but only endure for a lease of Seventy five years, when the ground with the Buildings revert to the Crown. During the last seven years of the said lease, the premises may be inspected by Her Majesty's Surveyor, who will order anything thought necessary for keeping such Building in a fit state of repair. Notwithstanding these hard conditions, upwards of one hundred allotment, sold at prices, varying from £ 5 10 to £ 100 per an. As these will, all be built upon within twelve months, or parties holding them suffer a forfeiture of one years rent for non-compliance with the conditions of sale, we may expect a large addition to the size of our town in the course of 1844.

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The Colony is now quite healthy, and we trust that the ensuing summer will not prove so fatal to Europeans as fast one. The past season has been a sickly one all over the east-both in India and China. We may reasonably hope, that with some improvements in drainage, a better class of Houses, and a greater attention to those habits of temperance and cleanliness, so necessary in tropical rimates the troops, and inhabitants of the Island generally. Will escape much of the desease, which proved so fatal the spiranter. The Barracks built in Victoria, and on the South side of the Island, are spacious and airy, protecting the men from the heat during the day and the dew by night, exposure to either of which is so prejudical to health in this climate. The Colony is now quite healthy, and we trust

The most daring attempts at robbery are made almost nightly; and too frequently with success. The Chinese inhabitants are of the worst describion, and, with all the vigilance of the police and private Watchmen, attached to every respectable House, the Ladrones and their way through brick walls and bolted doors

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On the morning of Sunday the 21st January an attempt was made by a body of Seventy Ladrones, to force an entrance into the Godowins of Messris. Jamieson How & Co. The Robber's Bound the Watchmen on duty, and then proceeded to break open the doors with iron bars, axes &c. The party within the Godowins, showed eyery disposition to resist, but unfortifinately, from the Robber's keeping close under the walls their fire aring could not be depressed sufficiently to shoot any of the last allants. Mr. Edger, at his Bungalow on the hill heard the affray he immediately armed his servants, and with two European Gentlemen, proceeded to the assistance of those who were defending the Godowns; the Robbers however made off and escaped unpunished. As few days subsequent to Godowns; the Robbers however made off and escaped unpunished. A few days subsequent, for this attack, Mr. Edger, in broad daylight, observed one China Boat, attack and rob knother, in the harbour. With Mr. Henry, an assistant in the House, he gave chase, and captured the printical boat with fine men. The case has been used fore Major, Caine, and the evidence was a blear, that they were sentenced to five Years in the rom gang, with 100 lashes during each Year, and at the expiry of the five years to be banished the Island.

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expiry of the five year to be banished the Island. Sir Henry Pottinger shows an earnest desire to act up to the Treaty with Chira; this is as it ought to be, and will doubtless tend much to raise inglishmen in the countries of the Celebrals. On a recent occasion, some British Bullfelts at Athoy "wandered away into the country" farther than the fixed boundary. Sir Hohry has written the Consul at that port, a severe letter on the subject, which he also, has throught it proper to pilotish. Major General D'Aguilar, has issued a General Order, in which he expresses his determination,

to maintain the honor of the Queen's Government, and to preserve inviolate the Treaty ratified inder Hop Majesty's Sign manual.

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Her Majesty's 55th Regt are under orders for immediate embarkation; they return to England after a fong period of service in India and China. They have always sustained a character, either in the field of Barrack, alike honourable to themselves and the country they serve. The Ship "Cornwall" sailed on the 2nd instant, with about 250 Inyalids from the different carps serving in China. H. M. Ship "Dido", Captain Keppel, etc. for Singapore and Calcutta on the 2nd. Lord Saltoun, the late commander of the forces, has embarked with her. She has also a large freight of specie, part of the Chinese indemnity money. H. M. Steam frigate "Driver" sailed for Chusan on the 10th. The "Faille" with troops, so long expected, arrived on the 7th. She had been dismasted near the Mauritius, at which part she put in for repairs. H. M. Brig "Childers" is understood to be under orders for England.

For general Commercial news, we refer to our

repairs. H. M. Brig remisers is understood to be under orders for England.

For general Commercial news, we refer to our Canton price current. The high prices at which Teas are held in Canton, and the low rates in London deters Merchants, from purchasing so largely as might be expected at this season Freights as till continue low, although many vessels have gone to India seeking. A large portion of the last years crop of inferior Teas are upsold, and were satisfactory accounts received by next overland (that for December) freights would probably get up. The sales of Cotton piece Good in Qanton have been large, also on the coast. In Victoria there is tittle-doing. It will probably be care before the wealthy buyers find there way to the Colony.

It is a matter of regret, that more of the English Merchants, have not removed the head quarters of their establishments, to Hongkong. Macao offers no inducements for continuing there, its trade is limited, and a likely in the large of the various Agencies at Canton and on the Coast, Hongkong, is

storeing Goods, and giving instructions to the various Agencies at Canton and on the Coast; Hongkong, is nuch to be preferred. The princely establishment built by Messrs, Jardine Matheson & Co. also those by Messrs, Dent & Co. and ether firms, are nearly completed. We afficipate at an early date, the removal from Macao to this Colony of every British House in China.

Richard Burgass Esq. M. A. of the Middle Temple, Barrister & Law, has been appointed Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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The pirates who murdered Dr. Mc. Kirlay of the 18th Regt. and two portuguese Sailors, have been triced by the Chinese Authorities. The three who were taken, have been senteanced to be decapitated. The ringleader, Farrasze, was to have suffered an ignominious death (to be cut to pieces), he however died in prison, but his head, as also the heads of the other estimates, age to be sont to the place, where the crime was committed and stuck, on poles as an example and in order to restraint. on poles, as an example, and in order to restrain ruf-

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Assistant Commissary General Irine, died on
the 1st Instant. He had only been a few weeks
on the Island. He arrived in bad health, his
constitution being broken down by long service on
the coast of Africa. He was buried on the 2nd
with Military honours.

The "Pelorus," Capitain Triggs, from Calconta to
China, was lost on the 24th December on the London Shoals Capitain. Triggs proceeded to Singapore
in the Gigs, a distance of 100 Miles, where he arrived with two passengers. Mr. and Mrs. Francis. Capitain Triggs again left. Singapore for the
wreck, in the course of three days, in the Victoris Steamer. He expected the wreck would hold
together, being on the leeside of the Shoal, and
that the crew would be all saved.

### MACAO.

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A daring act of, piracy, was perpetrated in Maccao harbour, on the morning of the 5th Instant.

Captain Kelly, of the "satisfies hobertoon," was landing in his boat, with three Boxes of treasure, containing \$ 7440. When within quarter of a mile of the bar fort; he was attached by a piratica, boat. The ipirates first, threw bombustbles into Captain Kelly's boat, by which he was slightly burnt—they then boarded, and commenced beating the Lascars, who workboard, Captain Kelly, was obliged to an example—the praces made off with the contract of the perpension of the contract of the contract of the perpension of

We trust, this warning, will not be thrown away upon Shipmasters, landing with hol be thrown away upon Shipmasters, landing with valuables. No Boat ought to cross, from the Typa to Macao, unless well armed. This is not a singular case of, priracy beneath the very Guns of Macao, and almost within hail of the shore.

#### NINGPO

Out dates from this place, are to the 20th January, Commercial affairs were in A sansfactory state.

Mr. Thom, H. M. Consul for that port, had no difficulties with the Chinese Authorities—the Custom-

house system he states to work satisfactorily.

Three Ships had entered Ningpo with cargoes since the trade was opened. One, the "Helan Steward" will load there probably with Teas and

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SHANGHAI.

We have private advices from Shanghai, to the 33rd January. Considerable sales had been made of Lotton piece Goods at fair prices. This port promises to be an excellent putlet for British Goods. We give quotations of White Shirting at \$ 3,90 cents per piece, and Gray Shirting at \$ 3,90 cents per piece, end Lead at \$ 5,40 cents per piece. Pig Lead at \$ 5,40 cents per piece. Pig Lead at \$ 5,40 cents per piece. Pig Lead at \$ 5,40 cents per pieci. Raw Cotton, of the best qualify is in demand.

Captain Balfour, H. M. Consul, is giving much satisfaction to Merchants in Shasehai, and Supercargos who visa the pert. The firm and energetic manner he treats with the local Authorities, and his exertions, in promoting legitimate, trade, between the Native and foreign Merchants, deserves all praise.

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Teas and Silk, are held at prices too high for purchase—it is however expected they will, shortly purchase-

# CHUSAN

The last accounts from Chusan, represent trade as being dull. Several of the Clippers having departed for Wosting with their Cargoes.

# NEW SOUTH WALES.

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By the Ship "Ratchift," from Sydney 24th December, we are in possession of Papers to the 22rd, we are happy to perceive there is come improvement in the state of that Colony. Monetary affairs fiave become more settled, and good Bills are discounted readily. In consequence of the favorable account from England, as to the quality of Beef and Tallow shapped from the Colony, stock has advanced very considerably. Sheep, weighing 60 lbs., are selleng at from 8 to 10s;—being at least 100 per Ct. advance on previous prices. Cattle and Horses, have also advanced, the more moderately.

This improvement in the price of Stock is very satisfactory, and we doubt hot, that the large shipments about being made to England, of Wool and other produce will do much, to releave the Colony from the debt, which for a talled, has completely borne down the efforts of all classes.

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There appears to be no encouragement for the shipping of Teas. The latest quotations are for flyson Skin £ 3, 5 and Congar £ 5 per Chest. The Sydney market is a peculiar one to work and a low weeks may store a rise of from 50 to 100.

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Regulations to be observed by all British Subjects, residing at, or resorting to Ningpo.

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1. All British subjects must immediately upon arrival at Ningpo report themselves at this Consulate, stating at the same time their professions, places of residence &c., &c., and the probable paried of their stay at this City.

2. British subjects will not be permitted under any pretence to go into the Country a greater distance than Three Miles from the City of Ningpo, without proviously reporting their intention at this Consulate, when the Undersigned will reserve to himself the right of judging whether such intention be admissible or not. In all cases where it is decided that it is admissible, the Undersigned will provide the person or party applying with a guide who will remain with such person or party till their return to this City; and when it shall be decided that the proposal is inadmissible, the person or party going into the country in opposition to the expressed wish of Undersigned, will expose himself or themselves to a severe penalty, as the circumstances of the case may appear less or more aggravated.

vated,
3. All British subjects going into the country to shoot, no matter what the distance may be, must in like manner give due notice at this Consulate and obtain permission for that end, otherwise they will expose themselves to a like severe penalty.
4. British subjects while in the country will be required to be exceedingly particular not to enter the houses of the people against their will, nor to offer any wanton disrespect to their temples or idols, not to descerate or injure tombs, nor to break idols, not to descerate or injure tombs, nor to break down sences or to tread on anything planted in the ground, and m short not only to do no positive in-

ground, and in short not only to the positive and in short not only to the positive by jury to the people, but also to guard against doing anything that may shock their prejudices.

5. British subjects will not be permitted to go to any of the Cities or towns or even large villages in the neighbourhood of Ninggo, without special license from the Undersigned and the High Authorities of the direction.

rities of the district.

6. British subjects will not be permitted to efficient of the Public Offices of this Place without special license or express invitation.

7. British subjects residing at Ningpo will require to give distinct notice at this Consulate when they change their place of residence.

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8. All British subjects on leaving Ningpo will require to report themselves #this Consulate as on length of time and had commercial dealings with the Natives will be required to give at least 48 hour's notice before they can be permitted to de-

part.

The Undersigned ventures to hope that by a strength observance of the above Regulations, which in so far as he is concerned will be most rigogoussly enforced, all well disposed persons will have an ample enjoyment of healthful air and oxercise serviced to them, while it will be not out of the powcured to them; while it will be put out of the power of any ill-disposed individual to prejudice by his bad conduct the comforts and rational recreations of the Community at large.

[Signed] R. THOM. H. M's Officiating Consul for Ningpo.

British Consulate, Ningpo, 1st January, 1844,

# PEKING

#### EXTRACTS FROM PEKING GAZETTES OF OCTOBER 1844.

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ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.—The Adjutant General of the Imperial forces in the Provinces of Fokeen and Chekeang petitioned the Court for an additional supply of muskets for the Tartar garrisons in these two Provinces. The Emperor grants the petition and orders one thousand two hundred and fifty four to be forthwith issued to the said garrisans, and directs that the troops be well drilled in the use of their arms.

IMPERIAL GRAIN JUNKS.—The officer in Charge of the military secort to the Grain Junks on their way from the South to the Capital, has recently been detected in the embezzlement of three thousand treets of the public money which had been placed in his hands for the use of the troops under his command, and strange to say the only punishment he received according to the Gazettes, is his being turned out of Office.

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MUNDER AND DISCRACE.—A murder having occurred in a district of Chekoang Province, the Mandarin in charge rofused to investigate, for which delinquency he has been summaily disgraced from his office.

Circulation Middless,—For several years the authorities of Knei Chow Province have been collecting copper for the purpose of manufacturing quantities of the common cain called "Cash". On petitioning the Emphore, His Majesty grants them permission to proceed to the casting of the said coin.

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An Opprosen weaking the Canon.—A Military officer in Pekin has been punished with the wearing of

AN OFFICER WEAKING THE CANGE. A Military officer in Pekin has been punished with the wearing of the wooden collar for killing a robber instead of taking

him alive.

Chusan.—The Lieut Governor of Chekeang Province petitions the Emperor to remove the present high officer in charge at Chusan, and allow of the selection of another who shall be nore competent to superintend a region, where foreigness and natives so promise uously reside together. This Chusan officer is Lin, formerly in charge of the Yu zaod department.

Formosa The late Thou Tae (Intendant of circuit) of Formosa having died another has been appointed, and on the suggestion of the Lieut. Governor of Fokeen he is to assume both the office of Taou Tae, and Anche see (Judge.)

An cha sze (Judge.)

Caurion to Mariners.—Straits of Banca.—Her Majesty's brig Algerine, Simon's Bay, 26th August, 1843.

Sir,—I have the honor to acquaint you for your information, and as a guidance for ships proceeding thro' the Straits of Banna, that the wreck of a barque was passed by Her Majesty's brig Algerine, on the moraing of the 25th June, sunk in 6 iathoms water, with lower mast and main topmast standing; name unknown. The said wtspot lays with Lunespara Island (at the entrance of the straits,) bearing N 1 W about 16 miles, and is simmediately in the track of vessels bound to, or coming from the Northward.

I have the honor, &c.,

S. B. DOLLING,

Livus Commander

Rear Admiral the Hoh. J. Percy, Commander.

Rear Admiral the Hon. J. PERCY,

CANTON.

WE have dates from Canton 11th Feburary. It appears that Government is taking no steps to complete as intimated by us in a recent number, the land regulations, so as to enable the Merchants to commence building. This delay is a serious inconvenience, and ought to induce the Government to adopt prompt measures to have the question adjusted. Trade is carpensized as heing dul awing to the approach of the new 1 ar Holidays. The following is a market report, short price.

IMPORTS.

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Copper Sheathing
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Madras,
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White Shiring: 40 yds. ×36 in \$3,70 a 4,20 Duty paid

Grey do. 2,80 a 3,20 In good demand, Large Sales.

Yarn Nos. 18 a 30 \$23, a 24, Very doill. Market Yarn Nos. 18 a 30 \$23, a 24, Very dull, Market over stocked. No demand for High Nos. Chutz Furniture, ,, 2, a 2,50 Mket. fully sapplied on Natl, , 2,60 More, , 3, Bar. ,, 2, Bar. Lead ", 5, ..., 5, ..., 5, ..., 5, ..., 635, a 640, Dull. Prices have. Opium Patna, os, "575, a 550, a downward ten-tor. 700, den y, and it is ex-cuted a control of the will undergo a further decline on the arrival of the New Deug. Benares, Malwa New,

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EXPORTS.

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Bakes have been exported.

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Freights to London and Liverpool £ 3 p Ton of 50 feet.
Ships loading. Bombay. Coronandel. Ranger. Rookery. Marmion Louisa Campbell. Scotial Fortirude.
Asiatic. Queen Mab Hesperus. Ellora. Emerakl

TEA. Toral Exposts FROM 1st JULY 1843 TO FERN. 1844.

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Total 30,551,931

COTTON REPORT CANTON, JANUARY 18T TO 31ST, 1844.

Deliveries Stock 7.75 Pales, American. 869 . 8948 17180 Bombay, 73523 Bengal. 8791 Madras, 1241 30791 Total 25073 117053

Ship Queen Victoria

Included.

LIST OF VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR
Hormunjee Bomanjee, Mercury, Land Recg.
ships); Sarah; Isabella (Maia); Jaynx; Elore;
Fortescue; Mary Brathalet; Sylph, Hope; Zeephy,
[Am.]y Adventure; Harlequin; Frankland; Gondolier; Magnolia; Canopus; Fairlie; Alligator;
Salopian; Resoletion; Forth; Bombay Castle; Cercassian; Ratcliff; Airel; Alfred.

HER MAJESTY'S SHIPS.
Aglnourt, Resa Admiral Sir Thos, Cochrane, C. B.
Cant. Bruce.

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H. M. S. Castor, Capt. Graham.
Minthen, Capt. Quin, Hospital Ship.
H. C. Str. Proserpine, Commander Hough R. N.
H. G. Str. Sessatris, Lieut. Renniel I. N.
Troop Ship Sapphire, Master Commanding, J. R.
Fillock.

ARRIVALS.

FEBRUARY 1844. 10th Resolution, 11th Water Witch, Wead Madras. Reynell, Baxter, East Coast Forth, Bombay Castle, Circassian, Ratcliff, Bombay. Fraser, Marshall, Garrett, Jones, Robinson, Sydney. Ratelia,
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DEPARTURES.

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Whampoa.

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