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NOTIFICATION.—The publication of the Hongkong Gazette under the authority of Government, will be discontinued from this date; but all public orders and notifications appearing in "The Friend of China and Hongkong Gazette," with the signatures of duly authorized Functionaries of the Government are still to be considered as official.
By order, J. ROBT. MORRISON, Acting Secretary and Treasurer.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

C. B. Hillier Esq. Assistant to the Honorable the Chief Magistrate is appointed to officiate as Recording officer to the Criminal and Admiralty Court at Hongkong.

By Order,

RICHARD WOOSNAM.

Government House, Victoria, Hongkong, 19th February, 1844.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

List of the principal Chinese Grandees who are at present at the Head of affairs. Principal Guardians of the Imperial Kindred.

銓載 1. Tsae tsuen, King of Tolo.
壽仁 2. Iinshow, a King of the first order.

阿恭爾烏 3. Woomkungah, a King of the second order.

The above three individuals are Mantchoos, and generally the constant companions of His Majesty.

THE CABINET.

阿彰穆 1. Muhchangah, a Mantchoo Tartar, Guardian to the heir apparent, Prime Minister. Quarter Master General, President of the Board of Public Works, and the National College, and a general in the Mantchoo army.

恩世潘 2. Pwanshegan, a native of Keangsoo, Province, a Guardian to the heir apparent, Vice President of the Board of Offices, President of the Board of Revenue and V. P. of the National College.

興寶 3. Paouing, a Mantchoo Tartar, and a distant relation of the Emperor, at present Governor of the Province of Szechuen.

4. Situation vacant.
There are thus only two Ministers at present in the Cabinet.

ASSISTANT MINISTERS.

徽敬 1. Kingching, A Mantchoo Tartar, belonging to the Imperial Kindred, a Vice President of the Board of Revenue manager of the household affairs, Superintendent of the colleges in the Palace, and of the national school, and member of the Board of astronomy.

恬秉卓 2. Chopingteen, A Chinese from Szechuen, Vice President of the Board of Offices, and Lord Major of Peking.

THE NATIONAL COLLEGE.

阿彰穆 1. Muhchangah, President &c. &c. as above.

恩世潘 2. Pwanshegan, Vice President &c. &c. as above.

BOARD OF OFFICES.

桂恩 1. Gankwa, a Mantchoo Tartar, of the Imperial Kindred, a President of the Board, Manager of the household affairs, Commands a Corps of Tartars, and one of Chinese Infantry, Sub Director of the National School, and Member of the Board of Music.

恬秉卓 2. Chapingteen, Vice President &c. &c. as above.

BOARD OF REVENUE.

恩世潘 1. Pwanshegan, President of the Board &c. &c. as above.

徽敬 2. Kingching, a Vice President of the Board &c. &c. as above.

藥嵩和 3. Keseuntsan, a native of Shansoo Province a Director of the Board, and Member of the National College.

BOARD OF CEREMONIES.

1. This President's situation vacant.

正守龔 2. Sungshowching, a native of Chekeang Province, a Vice President of the Board, and Superintendent of the Board of Offices.

BOARD OF WAR.

誠裕 1. Yuching, a Mantchoo Duke, a President of the Board, a manager of the household, a General in the Tartar Chinese army, a Superintendent of the Board of Revenue, and a Member of the Medical Board.

普乃許 2. Heunacpoo, a native of Chekeang Province, and Vice President of the Board.

BOARD OF PUNISHMENTS.

1. President's situation vacant.

阿清勒阿 2. Ahlihtsingah, a Mantchoo Tartar, a Vice President of the Board, and a General in the Chinese Tartar army.

祐振李 3. Seshinkoo, a native of Ganhwai Province, and a Director of the Board.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

阿彰穆 1. Muhchangah, President &c. &c. as above.

阿尚賽 2. Saeshangah, a Mongol, vice President of the Board, Director of the Board of Offices, a Superintendent of the Board of Revenue, a General in the Mantchoo army, Intendant of Customs at the Peking Gate, and member of the college of Interpreters.

荃鴻廖 3. Leau-hung-tseuen, a native of Fokeen Province, and a Director of the Board.

FOREIGN OFFICE.

泰倫吉 1. Keeluntac, a Mantchoo Tartar, President of the Office, and a General in the Tartar Chinese army.

阿尚賽 2. Saeshangah, a Mongol, Director of the Office &c. &c. as above.

華恩 3. Gan-hwa, a Mantchoo Tartar of the Imperial Kindred, a Sub Director of the Office, a Life Guard's man in command of one of the Gates of the Capital, a General and Quarter Master in the Mantchoo army, a Member of the Privy Council, and a Superintendent of the Imperial pleasure garden.

明玉 4. Yuhming, a Mantchoo Tartar of the Imperial Kindred, a Sub Director of the Office, a Life Guard's man to the Emperor's person, a General in the Tartar Chinese army, left wing, and Commanding Officer of the Imperial travelling establishment.

This Office transacts all the affairs relating to the Mongols, Calmucks, Tibetans, and other Eastern tribes.

THE GOVERNORS AND LIEN GOVERNORS OF THE RESPECTIVE PROVINCES.

N. B. All Governors hold the nominal rank of Censors and Directors of the Military Board, and always act as the chief Superintendents of the Military and Commissariat Departments for their respective Provinces. The Lien Governors also always have the rank of Deputy Censors, and Vice Directors of the Military Board given to them, and next to the Governor have the Superintendence of the above Departments.

I. CHIHLEI PROVINCE.

額經爾訥 Nauh-king-gih, a Mantchoo Tartar, Governor of the Province, a Guardian to the Crown Prince, a Director of the Military Board, Chief Superintendent of equal customs, and Commissariat Department.

英者 Key-ing, a Mantchoo Tartar of the Imperial Kindred, and Titular Guardian to the Crown Prince, Governor General of the Two Keang (viz: Keangnan and Keangse, Keangnan comprising Keangsoo and Ganhwai).

II. KEANGSOO.

寶善孫 Leun-shen-paou, a native of Shantung, Lieut. Governor of Keangsoo.

齡咸 Keening, a Mantchoo Tartar, Superintendent of Customs for the Port of Shanghai (late Sub Commissioner &c. &c.).

III. GANHWAI.

采林程 Ching-maou-tsae, a native of Keangse, the Lieut. Governor of the Province

IV. KEANGSE.

鎔文吳 Woo-wan-gung, a native of Keangsoo, the Lieut. Governor of the Province, Acting Commander in Chief of all the Garrisons.

珂韻劉 Lew-yunko, a native of Shantung, Governor General of Fokeen and Chekeang (late Lt. Gov. of Chekeang).

V. CHEKEANG.

The Lieut. Governor's appointment for this Province is not yet known.

程 Ching a native of Keangnan, Superintendent of Customs for the Port of Ningpo.

VI. TOKEEN.

翺鴻劉 Lew-heung-haou, a native of Shantung, the Lieut. Governor of the Province.

昌璧 Puh-chang, a Mongol, Tartar, General and Commandant of the whole province, and Chief Superintendent of Customs at Tuh-chow and the other maritime ports.

武隆霍 Ho-lun-gwo, a Mantchoo Tartar, Superintendent of Customs for the Port of Amoy.

泰裕 Yu-tae, a Mantchoo Tartar, Governor General of Hoo-Kwang or the Two Hoo (i. e. Hooiph and Hoonan).

VII. HOOIPH.

言炳趙 Seau-pung-yen, the Lieut. Governor, a native of Chekeang.

VIII. HOONAN.

濟英吳 Woo-yeung, the Lieut. Governor, a native of Honan.

IX. HONAN.

安順鄂 Go-shun-eh, a Mantchoo Tartar, Superintendent of the Yellow River and Canals, and Overseer of the Military Lands, Lieut. Governor of the Province.

X. SHANTUNG.

常寶梁 Leang-pau-chang, a native of Chihli, Lieut. Governor of the Province, Overseer of the military lands.

XI. SHANSE.

涵蕙梁 Leang-gh-han, a native of Shantung, Lieut. Governor of the Province, Acting Commander in Chief of all the Garrisons.

阿揚富 Too-yaang-ah, Mantchoo Tartar, Governor General of Shense and Kanshi.

XII. SHENSI.

沈星李 Le-sang-yuen, the Lt. Governor, a native of Hoonan.

XIII. KANSUH. The Governor General is at present acting in the capacity of Lt. Governor for this province.

XIV. SHACHUEN.

興寶 Paou-king, the Governor, a Mantchoo Tartar, and Minister of the Cabinet, Acting Lieut. Governor of the Province.

增祁 Keking, a native of Shense, Governor General of the Two Kwang (i. e. Kwangtung and Kwangsee) Guardian to the Crown Prince.

XV. KWANTUNG.

采喬程 Ching-keh-tsai, a native of Keangsee, Lieut. Governor of the Province.

豐文 Wan-fung, a Mantchoo Tartar, Superintendent of Customs for the whole province (Grand Hopps of Canton).

XVI. KUANGSE.

琦之周 Chow-che-ke, a native of Honan, Lieut. Governor of the Province.

良桂 Kwei-leang, a Mantchoo Tartar, Governor General of Yunnan and Kweichow.

XVII. YUNAN.

中澧張 Chang-sung-chung, a native of Shense, Lieut. Governor.

XVIII. KWACHOW.

齡長賀 Ho-chang-hing, a native of Hoonan, Lieut. Governor of the Province.

There are thus three Provinces, Honan, Shantung, and Shense, under the command of Independent Lieutenant Governors.

True extracts from the Hed Book of 1843. HARRY S. PARKES. A True Copy. RICHARD WOODNAM

These Bills will be received at this Office until Monday the 19th Instant at Noon, from such persons as may be willing to Contract for building a Billiard Room at Chuch-shoo, according to the plan, sections and specifications to be seen at the Office of the Commanding Royal and Superintending Engineer.

The Tenders to be Sealed and marked. Tenders for Bills on India Exchange for Six Months Dollars.

By Order. CHAS. E. STEWART. Treasurer and Financial Secretary.

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publican 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, 10th February, 1844.

NOTICE. A Mail for England via Bombay per Clipper "Antelope" will be closed at this Office at 4 P. M. Thursday the 22 instant.

Post office, Victoria, 19th February, 1844.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—I hereby given that Sealed Tenders will be received at this Office, until Monday the 25th Instant at Noon, from such persons as may be willing to Contract for building a Billiard Room at Chuch-shoo, according to the plan, sections and specifications to be seen at the Office of the Commanding Royal and Superintending Engineer.

EDWARD PINE COFFIN, C. G. Commissariat China, Victoria, 19th February, 1844.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED. 16th Anonyma, Hickes, Bombay and Macao. 17th Felicity, Mandalla, Amoy. 18th (H.M.S.) Wolterine Comman. Morris R. N. Amoy. 19th Rob Roy, White, Macao. 19th Omega, White. 19th Warlock, Janney. 19th Krishna, Fletcher, Whampoa. 16th Duke of Wellington, Hargreaves, Manila. 17th Osprey, Hunt, Whampoa. 18th Bombay Castle, Hargreaves, Whampoa. 19th Frankland, Hargreaves, Macao and Bally. UNDER DEPARTURE. Krishna, Fletcher, Liverpool on 20th. Fairlie, Expected to sail shortly for England with Result. H.M.S. 53th Regt.

REPORTS. Reported by the Amoy, H.M.S. Royalist in Sabra-baya bound to Port Phillip. Reported by the Felicity The Eliza Stewart still on shore and hopes were entertained of her being got off. Some of her Cargo has been brought down by the Felicity and some by H. Ma. S. Wolterine.

VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR.

Table with columns: NAMES, TONS, MASTER, CONSIGNEES. Includes vessels like Fortescue, Sylph, Hope, Gondollar, Magnolia, Canopus, Fairlie, Resolution, Raptid, Oriental, Bengalore, Apoorva, Annie, Rob Roy, Omega, Warlock, Krishna.

H.M. MERCHANT SHIPS. "Agincourt," 72 Rear Admiral Sir Thomas Cochrane C. B. Cap. Bruce. "Castor," 38, Captain Graham. "Samarang," 38, Captain Sir F. Belcher. "Minden," 72, Captain Gills—Hospital Ship. "Wolverine," Com. Morris. H. C. Ste. "Porpoise" Com. Hough R. N. "Sapphire" 1000 Ship, Master, Commanding J. R. Flock. "Alligator" 1000 Ship, Master, Commanding, M. C. King R. N.

LATEST RATES. Table with columns: PORT, DATE, RATE. Includes entries for BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI.

NO. 10. Parties meeting at the Office of the Commanding Royal and Superintending Engineer.

us last summer, may be traced to the stagnant water which finds a lodging place in every hollow among the Hills, which is allowed to lay on the paddy field in the immediately vicinity of the town; and even in the town itself, in several small revu-lets, whose beds are choked up with rocks and stone, the water at all seasons may be found formed into pools, with much filth accumulated from there being no current to carry it away.

From the unfortunate position of Victoria, on the lee side of the Island during the summer season; and from the high Hills immediately behind it the miasma which generates in the pools and swamps to which we have referred, is never raised sufficiently high by the influence of the Sun to be blown off. During the day these exhalations hang over us, without a breath of air to disperse them, at night they fall in dew, covering all exposed to it as with a Mantle of death.

It is a matter to be regretted, that so much of the winter has passed away, without any steps having been taken to drain off all the stagnant water in our neighbourhood, to clear out the beds of the small streams and to form sufficient drains to carry off all the impurities of the town. There are few places which offer greater facilities for doing these things, than Hongkong. With a gradual descent to the harbour, and an abundant supply of water from the Mountains, which only requires to have its channel cleared, and its course directed, Victoria would be made one of the cleanest places within the tropics. The draining of the paddy fields and swamps formed in the several valleys on this side of the Island, is a more arduous undertaking, but one equally required. Labor is abundant and cheap, and under the Supervision of skillful men, many of whom are on the spot, much may be done before the sickly season sets in.

There is no doubt that individuals in many instances have formed sewers round their own premises, and so far as in their power endeavoured to remedy the evil of which we complain. However laudable these attempts may be to protect the general health of the inhabitants, they are unavailing. It is the more purifying of one spot of the leperous subject, which will have little or no influence in healing the whole body.

We cannot avoid expressing our astonishment, that the heads of the Colonial Government have not turned their attention to this matter. It is certainly one of the first importance, and even putting aside the deplorable loss of life during the past season, and the incalculable misery, which this pestilence, has brought to many glad hearts, another such season will strike a blow to the prosperity of the Colony, which she may not recover in a long period of years. There are many Mercantile establishments now completed belonging to the largest and most influential Houses in China. But we see the principals of these Houses deferring their removal from Macao, month after month. Need we ask why they remain there with a British Colony, equally suitable for the purposes of business within fifty miles. There is no doubt, although it may not be admitted, that they dread the climate. Nor, considering the mortality of last summer can we blame them for "All that a man hath will he give for his life." Another season like the past, and it requires no prophetic tongue to tell, that those Merchants who are here will again remove to the neighbouring Portuguese settlement. As a piece of trade this is to them one of very little importance. So far, they have even no security for property, in making it a Warehouse for Goods, and the mere advantage of living under the laws of their own country, will not counter-balance the effects of climate.

We have stated our conviction that a complete system of draining both in the town and its vicinity, ought to be undertaken by the Government, that in no other way it is possible to carry out such extensive operations effectively and expeditiously. Individuals with every desire to do good, have, not in their power, they may lay out thousands upon their own premises, but it is merely the trifling of the Quack, with which requires the knife of the scientific Surgeon.

No far as the expense goes, we believe, that every holder of property on the Island, would cheerfully contribute his quota; and that the in, at and would be a popular one.

There may be some plan in embryo, though we have not heard of it, but we think that such a plan is necessary, and we believe that it is a matter of the first importance, and we believe that it is a matter of the first importance, and we believe that it is a matter of the first importance.

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, as under:— On Buildings of Brick or Stone, covered with Tiles, Slates, Metal, or other incombustible material, together with their contents, when such Buildings are isolated from all others.

Rate of Premiums, 3 per cent. per annum. On such Buildings and their contents, when not so isolated, at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum. Assurances for 6 months } of the annual rate, will 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 £5000.

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, 19th July, 1843.

JAMES WELCH Chemist Druggist &c. &c. &c. Queen's Road Victoria.

RETURNS his most grateful thanks to the Officers of H. M. Navy, the Military, and of Merchant Vessels, and the public of Victoria for the very liberal support he has experienced since his commencement in business, and to inform them that he has lately made considerable additions to his Stock of Medicines, Perfumery, Oilmans Stores &c. &c. He further assures them that any commands with which he may be entrusted, in the preparation of Prescriptions, refuting Medicine Chests &c. will be most faithfully attended to: 1st January, 1844.

MR. LATTEY, Chronometer and Watch Maker. Removed from Lanes Hotel to the upper part of Mr. Pain's new store Queens Road opposite to Chinapans Hong. Hongkong, January, 1844.

B. KENNY M. D. MEMBER OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN LONDON &c. &c. Has fitted up a Chinese Vessel as a residence at Whampoa, moored opposite the Orange Grove, a little above Junk river.

THE Copartnership existing between DIROM, CARTER & Co. at Bombay, DIROM, 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 DIROM, GRAY & Co.; at Bombay under the firm of DIROM, HUNTER & Co.; and at Liverpool under the firm of DIROM, DAVIDSON & 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 and 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, 14th August, 1843.

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

LECKIE & Co. Bombay, 21th September, 1843.

NOTICE.—The undersigned beg to announce 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, who visit the place, which that Establishment has heretofore had.

A. D. FRYER. Macao, 31st August, 1843.

NOTICE.—Copies and merchandise of all descriptions received, and carefully stored in spacious airy and secure Brick Godowns situated 49 and 50 Queen's Road upon moderate terms.

N. DUUS. Goods placed in receipt, commencing on 19th August's Boat may be removed from 1st of Sept. Victoria, November, 1st 1843.

NOTICE.—The interest of Mr. R. van Eibergen Southagen (previously in Holland) in our Establishment consisting on the 1st instant, our business will be carried on from the 1st of January, 1844, under the firm of ROSSWINGERS, ANTONIS BUNG & Co. SANTIAGENS, ROSSWINGERS & Co. Batavia, 9th December, 1843.

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.

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 } 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. do. do. Claret do. do. do. HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co. Victoria, 22nd November, 1843.

FOR SALE. FIVE SUPERIOR London built Carriages with Harness &c. complete; also a complete set of Rosewood Drawing Room Furniture just arrived. Apply to HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co. Victoria, 22nd November, 1843.

FOR SALE.—E. I. Cos Bills on Bengal. Apply to GIBB LIVINGSTON, & Co.

FOR SALE.—Bally Rice, ditto Coffee, Copenhagen Cherry Cordials in Pints, Manila Cordage, Oakum, Corks, Singapore Planks, Anchors and Chains, Arrack, Bengal Chintze, 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.

TO LET. THE Bungalow or Offices belonging to Franjea Jemsetjee Esq. situated on the Queen's Road near to Messrs. Macviager & Co's premises. For particulars apply to Franjea Jemsetjee, Macao, or HOLLIDAY WISE & Co. Victoria, December 16th, 1843.

TO LET. TWO GODOWNS in that range of buildings called the Albany Godowns, capable of containing about 4000 Bales of Cotton. Rent \$50 per month each. Apply to A. McCULLOCH, 46 Queen's Road, Victoria, Hong-Kong, 12th December, 1843.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. THE Clipper Brig "MAONIA." The 1st Mate John G. Gorman, 2nd Mate N. M. and 2d Mate O. M. A. 19 years Ship and only 3 years old. This is a desirable vessel for the Coast of any trade, and may be chartered on any terms. She is considered one of the finest vessels of her size, but of the port of Liverpool. Apply to the Captain on board.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. THE British Ship FRANKLAND A. 1 240 tons Capt. Christie. Apply to HOLLIDAY WISE & Co. Victoria, 12th February, 1844.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. THE British Ship "HARRISON" 240 tons, Capt. Christie. Apply to HOLLIDAY WISE & Co. Victoria, 10th February, 1844.

FOR SINGAPORE AND SYDNEY. THE "FAIR BARBADIAN" will have early despatch for the above ports. For freight, apply to JNO. SMITH. Macao, 4th February, 1844.

THE SCHOONER "UNION" HAS just undergone a thorough repair, mised, and newly docked;—well armed and her Cabins are most comfortably fitted for six Passengers;—she will now run regularly between Macao, Hongkong, and Canton with Passengers, at the usual rates charged in other passage boats. For passage, in Macao, apply to JNO. SMITH. And at Hongkong, P. TOWNSEND. She is for Sale, and the owner will accept a fair offer.

FOR LIVERPOOL. THE QUEEN MARY, R. Atley 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 awning and Sails, Launch and Yawl 30 Tons new small sized Kedge, 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 on 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, or BENJAMIN SEARE, Canton.

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

FOR SALE. AT the Office of the Friend of China, Blank forms of Ship's Articles, prepared according to the existing law relative to Merchant Seamen, and an Abstract of the Merchant-Seaman's Act indorsed on the back. A L S O Charterparties and General Powers of Attorney after forms prepared by Mr. Chitty. Victoria, Hong-Kong, 13th December, 1843.

NOTICE. From this date the Charges for Printing at the Hongkong Gazette Office will be as follows: Book Notes . . . \$2 per hundred. Optum Orders . . . 1 do. do. Bills of Exchange in sets . . . 3 do. do. Cheques . . . 1 do. do. Ship's Articles . . . 1 each or 3 6 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 10 1/2 per do. do. and 1 per do. do.

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