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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.

The following Ordinances, passed by His Excellency the Governor in Council, are published for General information.

By order,
RICHARD WOOSNAM.
Government House, Victoria,
Hongkong, 28th February, 1844.

HONGKONG.
No. 1 of 1844.
Anno sexto et septimo Victoriae Reginae.

By His Excellency Sir Henry Pottinger Baronet Knight Grand Cross of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath Major General in the service of the Honorable the East India Company Governor and Commander in Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Superintendent of the trade of Her Majesty's Subjects in China with the advice of the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

An Ordinance to define the Law relating to slavery in Hongkong, (28th February, 1844.)

Whereas it is expedient to define and promulgate the Law respecting slavery in the Colony of Hongkong.

1. Be it therefore enacted and declared by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof that the Laws of England prohibitory of slavery together with the punishments and penalties provided therein shall be in full virtue and operation and shall be duly enforced and inflicted in the said Colony save as hereinafter excepted.

2. And be it enacted that every one whatsoever using or treating or attempting to use or treat any person as a slave in Hongkong shall upon conviction thereof before the Chief Magistrate of Police of Hongkong or before such Court of Justice as may hereafter be established in Hongkong be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years with or without hard labour and corporal punishment and shall forfeit to Her Majesty her heirs and successors for the public uses of the said Colony of Hongkong such sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for each offence and also such other additional sum not exceeding two hundred dollars to be paid to any person giving information of the said Offence as shall be adjudged by the said Chief Magistrate or Court aforesaid.

3. And be it enacted that if any person not being a subject of Her Majesty shall come within the precincts of the Colony of Hongkong bringing with him any person previously a slave and shall not forthwith on being lawfully requested or within ten days after his arrival as aforesaid (whether thereto being required or not) convey such previous slave before the Chief Magistrate of Police at Hongkong or before the nearest Justice of the Peace such person shall on being convicted thereof as aforesaid be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding six months with or without hard labour and corporal punishment and shall forfeit to Her Majesty her heirs and successors for the public uses of the Colony such sum not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offence and also such additional sum not exceeding fifty dollars to be paid to the person giving information of the said Offence as shall be adjudged as aforesaid.

4. And be it enacted on any such previous slave being produced before such Magistrate as aforesaid that he shall be explained to him apart

from his former owner that Slavery is prohibited in the Colony of Hongkong and that he is free to depart whithersoever he pleases and such Magistrate as aforesaid shall take due care that such liberty is freely exercised.

5. And be it enacted in case of any such previous slave expressing a wish to remain with his former owner that such owner shall together with two approved sureties resident householders in Hongkong aforesaid enter into a bond to Her Majesty in the sum of five hundred dollars conditioned against the removal of such previous slave from the Colony of Hongkong by his said former owner without the said previous slave having been produced before the Chief Magistrate or any other Justice of the Peace of the said Colony of Hongkong and examined apart as to his voluntarily departing with his said former owner and being informed that by his so doing he will revert to his former state of slavery.

6. And be it enacted in case any such previous slave shall at any time leave his former owner or in case such former owner shall be unable or unwilling to enter into such bond as aforesaid that such previous slave shall be maintained at the public cost until such time as he is enabled to gain his own livelihood and the Chief Magistrate aforesaid is hereby authorized with the approbation of the Governor in Council to apprentice or otherwise place out such previous slave as aforesaid with a view to his obtaining a livelihood by his own labour.

7. And be it enacted if any such previous slave as last aforesaid shall be thereafter found in the possession or employment of his former owner that such possession or employment shall be deemed prima facie proof of such owner having unduly repossessed himself of the said previous slave and such owner in default of rebutting such presumption, shall be liable to the penalties herein affixed to the treating or using any one as a slave in Hongkong.

8. And be it enacted that any person knowingly receiving in his house any one having any person previously a slave in his possession or a person used or intended to be used or claimed as such and not giving immediate information thereof to the Chief Magistrate of Hongkong or the nearest Justice of the Peace shall upon conviction thereof before the Chief Magistrate or such Court at Hongkong as herein aforesaid be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding three months with or without hard labour and corporal punishment and shall forfeit such sum not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offence and also such sum not exceeding fifty dollars to be paid to the person giving information of the same as shall be adjudged in manner aforesaid.

9. And be it enacted that the punishments and penalties herein provided shall be held and deemed to be in addition to those authorized by the Law of England for any offence mentioned herein and not in any way in the stead, lieu, or substitution thereof provided always and it is hereby enacted that no part of any sum so provided and declared by the Laws of England to be payable to any person shall be paid to such informer without the express direction of the Chief Magistrate or Court aforesaid who shall have full power to make such disposition thereon as may be deemed expedient.

Rules for interpreting this and other Ordinances.

10. And be it enacted that whenever this or any other ordinance in describing or referring to any offence or the subject matter on, or with respect to which it shall be committed or the offender or the party affected or intended to be affected by the offence, hath used or shall use words importing the singular number or the masculine gender only, yet the Ordinance shall be understood to include several matters as well as one matter and several persons as well as one person and females as well as males and bodies corporate as well as individuals unless it be otherwise specially provided or there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction.

HENRY POTTINGER.
Governor. &c. &c.

Passed the Legislative Council
the 28th day of February 1844.
RICHARD BURGASS.
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

HONGKONG.
No. 2 of 1844.

Anno sexto et septimo Victoriae Reginae.

An Ordinance by His Excellency Sir Henry Pottinger Baronet Knight Grand Cross of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath Major General in the service of the Honorable the East India Company Governor and Commander in Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Superintendent of the Trade of Her Majesty's Subjects in China with the advice of the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

An Ordinance to regulate the printing of books and papers and the keeping of printing presses within the Colony of Hongkong, (28th February, 1844.)

Be it enacted that from and after the first day of April now next ensuing no printed Periodical work whatever containing public news or comments on public news shall be published within the Colony of Hongkong except in conformity with the Rules hereinafter laid down.

1. The Printer and the Publisher of every such Periodical work shall appear before the Chief Magistrate of Police at Hongkong and shall make and subscribe in duplicate the following declaration "I, B. B. declare that I am the Printer or Publisher or Printer and Publisher of the Periodical work intitled

and printed
(or published or printed and published) at Hongkong", and the last blank in this form of declaration shall be filled up with a true and precise account of the premises where the printing or publication is conducted.

2. As often as the place of printing or publication is changed a new declaration shall be necessary.

3. As often as the Printer or the Publisher who shall have made such declaration as is aforesaid shall leave the Colony of Hongkong a new declaration from a Printer or Publisher resident within the said Colony shall be necessary.

4. And be it enacted that whoever shall print or publish any such periodical work as is herein before prescribed without conforming to the Rules hereinafter laid down or who shall cause to be printed or published any such periodical work knowing that the said Rules have not been observed with respect to that work shall on conviction be punished with fine to an amount not exceed-

Owner of Slave retaining Slave in his service to enter into a Bond with Sureties conditioned for non removal of Slave.

Slave to be supported and apprenticed in case of his not remaining with former owner or of former owner not entering into Bond.

Slave found in service of former owner proof of due hiring to lay upon former owner.

Liabilities incurred by any person not giving information of owner of slave inhabiting his house.

Penalty to be paid to informer.

No Newspaper to be published save in accordance with the Rules herein after mentioned.

Printer and Publisher to make declaration.

New declaration on change of residence.

New declaration on former Printer or Publisher leaving the Colony.

Punishment and Penalty for non observance of above Rules.

Laws of England prohibitory of slavery to be in force at Hongkong.

Liabilities incurred by every one treating any person as a slave in Hongkong.

Liabilities incurred by Foreigners coming to Hongkong with Slaves and conveying them before Chief or other Magistrate.

Slave produced before Magistrate to be explained free.

ing Three thousand dollars and imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years.

3. And be it enacted, that each of the two originals of every declaration so made and subscribed as is aforesaid shall be authenticated by the signature and seal of the said Chief Magistrate of Police and one of the said originals shall be deposited among the Records of the Office of the said Chief Magistrate and the other original shall be deposited among the Records of such Supreme Court of Judicature as may hereafter be established in Hongkong and the officer in charge of each original shall allow any person to inspect that original on payment of a fee of one dollar and shall give to any person applying a copy of the said declaration on payment of a fee of two dollars.

4. And be it enacted that in any legal proceeding whatever as well Civil as Criminal the production of a copy of such a declaration as is aforesaid attested by the seal of such Magistrate or Court as are empowered by this act to have the custody of such declarations shall be held (unless the contrary be proved) to be sufficient evidence as against the person whose name shall be subscribed to such declaration that the said person was Printer or Publisher (according as the words of the said declaration may be) of every portion of every periodical work whereof the title shall correspond with the title of the periodical work mentioned in the said declaration.

5. Provided always, that any person who may have subscribed any such declaration as is aforesaid and who may subsequently cease to be the Printer or Publisher of the Periodical work mentioned in such declaration may appear before such Chief Magistrate as aforesaid and make and subscribe in duplicate the following declaration.

"I. A. B. declare that I have ceased to be the Printer (or Publisher or Printer and Publisher) of the Periodical work entitled "

and each original of the latter declaration shall be authenticated by the signature and seal of the said Chief Magistrate and one original of the said latter declaration shall be filed along with each original of the former declaration and the Officer in charge of each original of the latter declaration shall allow any person applying to inspect that original on payment of a fee of one dollar and shall give to any person applying a copy of the said latter declaration attested by the seal of the Magistrate or Court having custody of the original on payment of a fee of two dollars.

6. And be it enacted that in all trials in which a copy attested as is aforesaid of the former declaration shall have been put in evidence it shall be lawful to put in evidence a copy attested as is aforesaid of the latter declaration and the former declaration shall not be taken to be evidence that the declarant was at any period subsequent to the date of the latter declaration Printer or Publisher of the Periodical work therein mentioned.

7. And be it enacted that every book or paper printed after the passing and publishing of this Ordinance within the colony of Hongkong shall have printed on it at the end thereof the name of the Printer and of the Publisher and the place of printing and of publication and who ever shall print or publish any book or paper otherwise than in conformity with this Rule shall on Conviction be punished by fine to an amount not exceeding three thousand dollars and by imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years.

8. And be it enacted that after the first day of April now next ensuing no person shall within the Colony of Hongkong keep in his possession any press for the printing of books or papers who shall not have made and subscribed the following de-

claration before the Chief Magistrate of Police at Hongkong and whoever shall keep in his possession any such press without making such a declaration shall on conviction be punished by fine to an amount not exceeding three thousand dollars and by imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years.

"I. A. B. declare that I have a press for printing at

and this last blank shall be filled up with a true and precise description of the premises where such press may be.

9. And be it enacted that any person who shall in making any declaration under the authority of this act knowingly affirm an untruth shall on conviction thereof be punished by fine to an amount not exceeding three thousand dollars and imprisoned for a term not exceeding two years.

HENRY POTTINGER.
Governor, &c. &c.

Punishment and Penalty for making any false declaration.

Passed the Legislative Council the 28th day of February, 1844.
RICHARD BURGAÏSS.
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The Revd. Charles Gutzlaff Chinese Secretary to Government is appointed to be Assistant to the Honorable the Chief Magistrate in the Chinese Department and also a Member of the Registry and Land Committees.

By order
RICHARD WOOSNAM.
Government House, Victoria.

Hongkong, 29th February 1844.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Captain Bruce of H. Majesty's 18th Regt. Royal Irish is appointed, as a temporary arrangement, to officiate as Superintendent of Police in consequence of Captain Haly's services being required with his Regiment.

Captain Bruce has this day been sworn in as one of Her Britannic Majesty's Justices of the Peace in the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and the Dominions of the Emperor of China.

By Order,
RICHARD WOOSNAM.

Government House, Victoria.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1844.

HOUSES REQUIRED TO RENT.

Notice is hereby given that sealed Tenders will be received at this Office until Saturday the 9th Instant at noon, from such persons as may be willing to let, for periods of either six or twelve months certain, commencing from the earliest possible time of occupation, Houses or portions of Houses in this place suitable for Officer's Quarters and Mess Houses.

The Tenders must specify the Building offered, with all its exterior appurtenances, the term proposed, and the rent per month, payable three months in advance, (but no more) at the time of taking possession, all repairs being at the charge of the Owner, but any feeful alterations being at the expense of the public.

N. B. Tenders will also be received for Houses in course of completion, likely to be soon ready for occupation.

In the absence of the Commissary General
LEONCE ROUTH.
D. A. Com. Gen.

Commissary General Office,
the 1st March, 1844.

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 Rupees (Cos. Rs. 200,000) 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, or Rupees at the rate of 225 per \$100 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, 16th February, 1844.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED. 1844
26th Swarwick, Hjarne, Sydney, 7 Jany. Sundries
Fair Barbadian, Griffin, Macao.

28th William the IV, Woodin, Shanghai, 13 February, Teas &c.
27th Wanderer, Smith, Shanghai, 16 Feb. Teas &c.
H. M. Str. Yixou, Comder. Haysa R. N. Chusan and Amoy.

Alligator Schr. Cooke, Sydney, 28th Nov.
28th Boxer (Am) Robinson, Salem and Macao.
20th Soundrapovy, Bryant, Chusan.
Amazon, Cleverly, Chusan.

BAILED. 1844
27th Henry Pratt, (Am.) Keene, Whampoa.
28th Brahmin, Mc Arthur
29th Water Witch, Reynell, Macao and Calcutta.
H. M. S. Childers, Comder. Wellsety R.N. England
Soundrapovy, Bryant, Macao.

MARCH.
1st Amazon, Cleverly, Macao.

REPORTS.

Passengers per Swarwick, Messrs. Mathyson, Stenhouse, Gaunson, Gibbons, Brocklebank, Mr. J. Craig and Son.

Passengers per Williams the 4th Lient Harvey R. N. & 6 Men from H. Ms. Ship Wolfe.

Passengers per Wanderer, James White Esqr. Yang-Kung (Chinam's partner).

Passengers per Alligator Mr. and Mrs. Clark and Son, Mr. and Mrs. Cluse 2 Sons and 1 daughter, J. Mercer C. Pilcher A Ducy, Mr. and Mrs. Blakes I. Hallett two Ballentines.

The Alligator from N. S. Wales has had very bad weather. In a hurricane off New Caledonia, she carried away her Mainmast, foreyard, bulwarks &c. During the Gale the Barometer fell to 27° 70. Out of 30 Boxes shipped at Twofold bay, only two have been brought into port. The others died at sea, in consequence of injuries sustained in the Gale. She reports an unknown reef in Lat. 7° 56' North, Lon. 154° 20' E. The reef extended for about 10 Miles in the form of a House Shoe, no land being in sight.
The William the 4th Reports the Amelia & Mangay at Shanghai.

The Soundrapovy reports the Don Juan going into Chusan, and the Thomas Crisp off Cape Montagne.

The Litherland left Woosung Feb. 17th for Chusan and Hongkong.

LATEST DATES.

ENGLAND	Nov. 15	SINGAPORE	Jan. 15
UNITED STATES	Oct. 25	JAVA	Jan. 3
CALCUTTA	Dec. 20	MANILA	Feb. 17
BOMBAY	Dec. 26	CHINA	18
SYDNEY	Jan. 6	SHANGHAI	Jan. 23
		AMOI	Feb. 14

NOTICE.

Parties sending advertisements, are requested to write on the face of them, how often, or how long, they wish them inserted. In all instance, non-subscribers, will pay in advance. New advertisements, will be received, until 4 O'Clock, on the evening previous to publication, viz. Mondays and Fridays.

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

THE FRIEND OF CHINA, AND HONG-KONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA, SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND, 1844.

We publish two acts passed by His Excellency Sir Henry Pottinger with the advice of his Legislative Council. The first of these, "An Ordinance to define the law relating to Slavery in Hongkong" will be read with interest, and obtain the sympathies of all men, the more especially, that the existence of Slavery in its worst form, and for the most infamous purposes among the Chinese in this Island, has been asserted. An Englishman aware of the stringent nature of the laws of his country, upon this subject, and the pecuniary sacrifices she has undergone to wipe every vestige of Slavery from her Colonial possessions, will repudiate such a statement as a calumny upon his country. Foreigners, however, are apt to give an unlimited belief, to anything, which may cast a shade upon this, the greatest effort of British Justice, an act of generosity which has no parallel in ancient or modern history - an act which many admire but none follow; to them therefore, this Ordinance will offer conclusive testimony, that if slavery has existed upon this Island since its cession to the British Crown, that slavery was not sanctioned by Government, and the Bondman had only to appeal to the Colonial Magistrate to be satisfied that such was the fact, and if necessary, to receive aid and protection. We presume a Chinese copy of this Ordinance will be circulated among the Natives extensively. They have lately had severe proof of their inferiority to Europeans in warfare - in peace let us also show them the superiority of our laws in humanity and Justice.

To His Excellency, and Council, it must be a matter of much satisfaction that their first Ordinance, has shown the impossibility of slavery existing in any form in this Colony; this single act may have more influence, over the minds of intelligent Chinese, than can be readily calculated, and may ultimately lead to desirable changes in their habits and opinions. Not the least commendable part of the Ordinance, is its observance in the humanity which declares, that the emancipated Slave, who is unable to earn a livelihood, shall be supported by the Colony, until he is put in a way to support himself. In many respects, particularly in the case of females, the propriety of this provision. The second act is entitled "An Ordinance to regulate the printing of Books and papers, and the

Declaration to be deposited in Office of Chief Magistrate and in the Supreme Court.

Copy of Declaration to be evidence.

Person ceasing to be Printer or Publisher to make declaration thereof.

Copy of such declaration to be admitted as evidence.

Every book or paper to contain name of printer or publisher and place of printing or publication.

Declaration by the possessor of any printing press.

keeping of printing presses within the Colony of Hongkong. We have but glanced over the enactments of this Ordinance, and can see nothing objectionable in them.

So far as it goes, the restrictions upon printers and publishers are few and simple; no man can misunderstand them, and there can be no excuse for evading them. It would have been satisfactory to parties connected with the public press had the Ordinance been more comprehensive in its form, and minute in detail. As it is, however, we do not perceive that there can be any fault found with the regulations it contains.

We are glad to notice the great improvement which has been effected in our neighbourhood, by the activity of Capt. Haly, of the 41st Regt. M. N. I., in having had all the drains in the Upper Bazaar cleaned; the residents are now relieved from the horrid and noxious odour which formerly greeted their offscourings when passing along the Queen's Road, near our locality. Great praise is due to Capt. Haly for the diligent manner he has attended to the purifying of the Bazaar. A most important and beneficial regulation has been established by him, viz.,—draining the water at the head of the Bazaar and letting it rush through the drains, morning, and evening, so as to carry the filth into the sea. We are sorry to say that there is a probability of our soon losing the services of Capt. Haly, for we understand his Regt. is ordered to India; we regret this the more, as we feel confident, judging from the active steps he took for cleansing the town, the sanitary regulations, about being put in force, would have been efficiently carried into operation under his direction.

It is a matter of common complaint, by Shipmasters, and strangers generally, who visit this Colony, that they cannot find any respectable place of entertainment. To commanders of vessels in the harbour this must be particularly annoying. They are of necessity compelled to be frequently on shore, and may have hours to wait for appointments with their Agents or others, when they must either walk about in the Sun or return to their Ship without effecting the object for which they landed.

Were a reading Room opened in a central part of the town, it would be a great acquisition, not only to Strangers, but also to many of the inhabitants, who are not in receipt of English Newspapers. We think a quiet respectable Coffee House, with a Reading Room attached, might be worth the attention, of any party qualified to conduct it in an orderly and decent manner.

In the event of such a project being gone into, there would not be a great difficulty in procuring a supply of European and Colonial papers. We would cheerfully furnish a quota; which would be quite new to nine tenths of the Strangers who arrive in the port, and we doubt not, that from other quarters, contributions of Newspapers and Magazines would be received.

On Thursday afternoon a Chinese Child was accidentally shot by a "Lascar" at Jardine's point. An inquest will be held to-day. The Coroner's office is no surety this is the fourth inquest in the course of the week.

ADDITIONS TO THE sailing directions for the coast of China up to February 1844.

By permission of Admiral Sir Thomas Cochrane, the above valuable information will appear in the "Friend of China" on Tuesday the 5th March. For the convenience of Shipmasters and others we will print a few copies on a separate sheet, as being more suitable for affixing to their Book of directions for this coast. Gazette Office, March, 1st 1844.

TO THE OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY AND THE MERCHANTS OF VICTORIA.

Gentlemen,
THE Undersigned having Relinquished his establishment in Macao in Consequence of the increasing population of this Colony returns his best thanks for the Patronage he there received; and begs to inform the Residents of Victoria, that, he now proposes opening the WATERLOO HOTEL on the 20th Inst. on the Queen's Road No. 40. He hopes to have a continuance of those favors that were so liberally bestowed upon him in his former establishment; as on his part nothing shall be wanting for the comfort and pleasure of those who will kindly favor him with their custom. All orders shall be promptly and punctually performed, nothing but the best of wines and spirits will be sold.
For terms of board and Lodging, or board only apply to.
Gentlemen
Your most obdlt. obdt. Servant,
JANUARIO J. LOPES

Victoria, 1st March, 1844.
N. B.—No persons but those of the highest respectability need apply.

THE SCHOONER SPEC.

JNO. SMITH has the pleasure to intimate to the Public, that he will put up in the Hammer and sell, to the highest bidder, on Monday the 11th of March, by Public Auction, that fine and fast sailing Sloop, the "Spec." of 165 tons or thereabouts, with all the best Sails, Boats &c. &c. Further particulars will be published in Hand bill; in the meanwhile inventory of her stores may be seen at the Auctioneers.
Macao, 24th February, 1844.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

ON Saturday, the 2nd of March, JNO. SMITH will sell in his Auction Room, to the highest bidders, damaged Long Ells; Preserved Meats; a Magic Clock, (if not previously sold by private contract); a few CARRIAGE and Mantel Time Pieces—these particularly claim the notice of the Public;—Flannel; Linen Drill; Canteens; Hucknaback; Parasols; sets of Scales and Weights; Treasure Chests; Canvas; gilt Neck Chains and Earrings, Birmingham-wares; Razors, Knives, Scissors, Hammers, Hoes, Chisels, Trowels, Planes, Raps, Saws &c. Sheffield-wares;—Cruet, Liquor, and Pickle Frames; Bolla Stands; Side Dishes; Cups and Tankards; Bread Baskets; Salt Cellars; Toast Racks; Inkstands, Tea and Office Pots; Wine Funnels, &c. Also a variety of other articles, particulars of which will be published in Hand bills.
Macao, 23rd February, 1844.

SURPLUS STORES.—MR. PAIN will sell by Public Auction, on Saturday, the 2nd March, The whole of the surplus stores &c. &c. of the Mess of H. M. 55th Regt., Consisting of Claret, Port and Sherry Wines, Brandy, Gin, Whisky and Liqueurs, Spiced Beef, Sauces, Pickles, Mustard, Macaroni, Sardines, Silver-Plate, Glass and Cooking Utensils, &c.

To be Sold Without reserve Terms—Cash.

FOR SALE.

A. Windlass 1 patent capstan, and 1 Iron Winch all complete. Apply to N. DUUS.

18 Queen's Road.

Victoria, March, 1st 1844.

FOR SALE.

AT the Godowns of the undersigned, Claret St. Julien Pameys and Destourmel Liqueurs Olive oil Champagne French plums in Cansisters Cognac Brandy in Doz Cases \$1 each Brandy fruits

WILLIAM SCOTT.

Victoria, 1st March, 1844.

E. KENNY M. D.

MEMBER OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN LONDON &c.

Has fitted up a Chinese Vessel as a residence at Whampoa, moored at the Entrance of Bombay Creek in Blenheim Reach.

FOR SALE.—Prime London Bottled Ale ex Neriod also No 3 Superior Manila Cigars.

Apply to F. DICKENS.

Opposite the Hongkong market

Victoria, 26th February, 1844.

JUST received ex "Bangalore" and on sale by the undersigned a Choice selection of cut Glass consisting of Pint and Quart Decanters of the newest pattern Tumblers, Hock Jelly and Custard Glasses, Liqueur do Bell mouth and other wineglasses, French Chimney Salt cellars, Table and Dessert Knives British Plate, and also Raspberry Vinegar, Sougee, Arrow-Root, Currie Powder, Salacratas Sponge and Bath Bricks.

JAMES WELCH.

Victoria, Hongkong, 24th February, 1844.

NOTICE.—Is hereby given, that the business heretofore conducted in China by the late Henry Pybus will be now carried on by John Mackey & Co. of Calcutta, represented here by Messrs. John Lefler and Charles Wilson Murray, acting as their Agents and under their Procuration.

EDWARD FRANCIS.

Attorney for John Mackey & Co.

Macao, 12th February, 1844.

FOR SALE. STOVES of various kinds, and stove piping. Apply at the Godowns of Holiday Wise & Co. to JOHN RITSON.

Victoria, 9th November, 1843.

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

D. DISANT.

F. H. TIEDEMAN.

Victoria, Hongkong, 1st January, 1844.

FOR SALE.—Small consignments of the following Goods, viz. Sheet Copper and Nails, a few Mag's Fire Proof Iron Safes and Chests, Balavia's Attack, Sherry and Brandy in Wood, Superior Champagne, Port, Madeira, Hock, Sherry, and Claret in dozen Cases, Brands warranted, a good assortment of Oil, Mac's Store, Turpentine, and Paint Oil, French and English Corks.

Apply to DISANT & 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 DISANT & TIEDEMAN.

Oswald's Hill, Opposite to the Premises of Messrs.

GIBS LIVINGSTON & Co.

FOR SALE.—A few Quadrants, Sextant, Quadrants, Azimuth, and other Compasses, Spy Glasses, Spirit Levels, Thermometers, Surveying, and Mathematical Instruments, Barometers, &c. &c. &c.

Apply to N. DUUS.

Victoria, February 10th, 1844. 18 Queen's Road

FOR SALE.—Manila Rum and Java Arrack in Casks of all sizes, Brandy in Hogheads, Sherry in Butts, Hhds. Qr. Casks and Octaves, Cape Madeira, Lisbon and Tinto in wood, Sherry, Port, Madeira, Claret, Cherry Brandy Cognac, Gin in Boxes of 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 doz Cases all of superior quality.

Apply to N. DUUS.

Victoria, February 10th 1844. 18 Queen's Road.

FOR SALE.—At the Stores of the undersigned a Sprawl Invoice of Slop-Clothing consisting of Pea Coats, Monkey Jackets, Flannels, Flannel, Gurnsey and Jersey Frocks Southweaters, Scotch Caps, Duck Frocks, Worsteds, Regatta Shirts, Cotton Shirts, Surges, Blankets, Duck &c., &c., &c.

ALSO

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

J. B. PAIN.

Victoria, 1st February, 1844.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

P. TOWNSEND having received instructions, will put up by public Sale on the 4th of March next.

The well known godown of the late Henry Pybus Esq., said godown is 150 feet by 60 feet with two cottages attached with a treasury built inside said godown.

ALSO

One half of a marine lot situated between said godown and the godowns of Messrs. Jamieson How & Co. at present unoccupied. The above is well worth the inspection of the mercantile community as the situation is convenient and salubrious.

Terms made known at the time of Sale.

P. TOWNSEND,

Auctioneer.

Victoria, February, 10th 1844.

FOR SALE.—Ghee, Paints and Paint Oil.

Beer in Hhds.

At the godowns of

JOHN BURD & Co.

Victoria, 20th September, 1843.

WHAMPOA HOSPITAL.

FOR the greater convenience of Vessels at Whampoa and Blenheim reaches, the Hospital Vessels is moored off the Bombay Creek by which both are united.

M. O'SULLIVAN M. R. C. S. L.

Resident Surgeon.

Hospital Ship,

Whampoa, 3rd February, 1844.

J. MAC MURRAY.

BAKER.

QUEEN'S ROAD.

BEGS to inform the Officers of H. M.'s Naval Service, Commanders of Vessels and the Public; that he has on hand a supply of Cabin and Ship Biscuits, and trusts by unremitting attention and punctuality, to merit a share of their patronage.

Orders will be thankfully received, promptly attended to, and executed with the least possible delay.

Victoria, 12th February, 1844.

PHILLIPS MOORE & Co.

BEG to announce that they have taken part of the Godowns of Mr. Duus 18 Queen's Road and have just landed from the Bangalore a large Cargo consisting of all descriptions of Cutlery, Ironmongery, Locks of all kinds, Nails, Carpenters tools Fire Grates and Best Sheffield Plated Goods, German Silver and British Plate, Guns, Pistols, Powder Flasks, Percussion Caps, Shot Belts, Telescopes and Spectacles, Table Lamps, Saddlery, Umbrellas, Gold and Silver Watch, and Clocks in great variety, Gold and Silver, and all descriptions, cut and plain Glass, and a variety of fancy and other Goods to be disposed of by wholesale only.

Hongkong, February, 19th 1844.

FOR SALE.—The Following Wines received ex-Oriental from Messrs. Wardell & Co. London.

Five old Port.

Do. Do. Sherry.

Do. Do. Pale.

India Ale and Porter.

Also, Ships stores of all descriptions.

W. H. FRANKLIN.

Schooner Comd.

Whampoa, 23rd 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, as under:—

1st.—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 Premium, 3 per cent. per annum.

2nd.—On such Buildings and their contents, when not so isolated, at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum. Assurances for 6 months 3/4 of the annual rate, will and 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.

BOOKS.

FOR Sale at P. Townsends Godown, at a reduction of 25 per Cent a large collection of New Books and maps. Catalogue of which can be seen at the Godown.

A.L.S.O.

For Sale, Beef, Flour, Olives, Butter, Cheese, Oil, Table cloth, Hats, Ladies' and Gents Shoes, Rum, Arrack, Brand Wine in quarter casks. An Assortment of Earthen Ware Consisting of Baskets, Plates, Candlesticks, Powder flasks and one or two superior fowling peices Quills, Steel Pens, Pencils, Horse furniture, Carriage trimmings, Champagne Cider, Looking Glasses and Hand Mirrors, Shades for Lamps, and sundry other goods.

P. TOWNSEND.

JAMES WELCH

CHEMIST DRUGGIST & Co. & Co.

Queen's Road Victoria.

RETURNS his most grateful thanks to the Officers of H. M. Navy, the Military, Masters 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 & Co. & Co. He further assures them that any commands with which he may be entrusted, in the preparation of Prescriptions, refitting Medicine Chests & Co. will be most faithfully attended to.

1st January, 1844.

MR. LATTEY.

Chronometer and Watch Maker.

Removed from Lanex Hotel to the upper part of Mr. Pain's new store Queens Road opposite to Chingams Hong.

Hongkong, January, 1844.

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, GRAY & Co.; at Bombay under the firm of DIXON, HUNTER & 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 Buller, Sykes and Co. Manilla, and Messrs Sykes, Schwabe and Co. Liverpool. The partners in our several establishments continue as before: Mr. Edward Boustead managing in China, Mr. Benjamin Buller at Manilla, 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, 21th 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.

STORAGE may be obtained in dry, secure, and Insured Godown's, on application to

BUSH & MILLER.

Victoria, Hongkong, February, 24th 1844.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have this day established a house of Agency and Commission at "Hongkong," 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 & Co., 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 of Regiments 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 }
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. do.
Claret do. do. do.

HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co.

Victoria, 22nd November, 1843.

FOR SALE.

FIVE SUPERIOR London built Carriages with Harness & Co. 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. Cog Bills on Bengal.
Apply to
GIBB LIVINGSTON, & Co.

FOR SALE.—Bally Rice, ditto Coffee, Copenhagen Cherry Cordials in Pints, Manilla Cordage, Oakum, Corks, Singapore Flanks, Anchois and Chains, Arrack, Bengal Chintee, 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.

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.

ALSO

Charterparties and General Powers of Attorney after forms prepared by Mr. Chitty,
Victoria, Hong-Kong, 18th December, 1843.

TO LET.

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

TO LET.

TWO GODDOWNS 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,**
at Queen's Road,
Victoria, Hong-Kong, 12th December, 1843.

PUBLIC SALE.

ON Wednesday 6th of March will be sold by public sale at P. Townsends Godown the Schr. Mary with all her appurtenances at Noon. An inventory can be seen at any time by application to

E. TOWNSEND,

Auctioneer.

Victoria, Hongkong, 22nd February, 1844.

FOR LONDON.

THE A. 1. Ship "EMERALD ISLE" new loading at Whampoa, and will have quick dispatch; has very excellent accommodations for passengers. Apply to the Commandant on board or to

R. J. GILMAN.

Canton, 14th February, 1844.

THE SCHOONER "UNION"

HAS just undergone a thorough repair, raised, and newly decked:—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 rate 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 FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

THE British Ship GONDOLAR, A. 1. 345 tons, Capt. Oliver.

Apply to **HOLLIDAY WISE & Co.**

Victoria, 10th February, 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 huted 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 knowledge, guns, arms and ammunition complete in Patent barrels; 2 Pitch pine spars 50ft. 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 SALE.—Superior Port and Sherry; Champagne; Claret; Sauterne and other light French-wines; Cider; pale and dark Cognac in wood and bottle; Geneva; Sperm Candles; Blacking; Table covers; Sauces; salad oil; Mustard; Nails and tacks of sizes; best French corks; Pocket Compasses; fine Pekoe Tea, Superior No. 3 Cheroots; York-hams &c. apply to

J. C. POWER.

Victoria, 12th February, 18 4.

FOR SALE.

SYCEE SILVER in large Ingots.
HUGHESDOLL CALDER & Co.

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 sets " 3 do. do.
Cheques " 1 do. do.
Ship's Articles " 1 each or \$ 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 " 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.
Repetitious, 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.

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