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THE FRIEND OF CHINA, AND HONG-KONG GAZETTE.

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In our last issue we briefly adverted to the confiscation of some opium which had been brought by a vessel from Bombay into the port of Canton.

It is greatly to be deplored that the legal trade should be endangered, and the present commercial regulations perilled by such reckless disregard of international obligations; the more so as under the New System every imaginable facility (except its legalization) is afforded by the connivance of the Chinese authorities for the introduction of the drug. It is notorious that the limits of the new ports have been so well defined that easy and convenient access at all times afforded to the native craft to resort to the Opium ships, which lie just outside the prescribable limits.

In the case of Canton, to secure these objects it was arranged to limit the port to the waters adjacent to the city, and not, as from time immemorial, to the anchorage of Whampoa. It was this stretching, or rather contracting the limits that led the court of Peking to say that Foo-chow-foo should not be required as a port by the Foreigners, seeing that Canton and Whampoa ought to be considered as two ports. The nomination of a British Consular Agent at the latter gave additional force to this allegation.

Had the practical working of the late Treaty been directed by the most judicious advocate for the Opium trade, it could not have been more favourable for the development and perpetuation of this peculiar traffic. On this ground we are the more pained at witnessing any infractions of the commercial treaty. We do hope that our Merchants, whether interested in the drug or not, will to their utmost co-operate in making the strict observance of the port regulations obligatory on all parties. Should they not do so, it requires no very great sagacity to perceive that a repetition of the occurrences which preceded the last rupture with China will take place, and it is not too much to say, must force on another war, in which the sympathies of the whole civilized world will be with China.

We err if we do not speak the sentiments of the houses most largely interested in the Opium Trade when we say that they depreciate the slightest infringement of the existing regulations; for they must be well aware that if the introduction of the drug into the five ports by Europeans were once tolerated, the whole trade would soon fall into the hands of adventurers, as the British Authorities could not, with due regard to the honor of the Crown they represent, permit so gross a violation of a solemn treaty, by any of her Majesty's subjects.

In our last we gave a detailed account of the detention of the *Mangoo* and *Amelia* at Shanghai, by the Consul, for having introduced Opium into that port from Singapore.

The *William the Fourth*, into which the Opium was shipped, was sent hither in charge of a naval officer. We are very glad to hear that the Consul's decision in her case has been confirmed, and merely the fine (£500) levied and paid. It is to be hoped that the fines imposed on the other two vessels will be the only penalty enforced by H. E., as we think the punishment adequate to the offence; looking to the loss which has already fallen on the adventurers by the loss of so great a portion of the cargo. The residue of the cargo was brought into this port from *Woo-sung*, by the *Wanderer*, and our Governor deserves our warmest commendation for not having in any way interfered therewith. We should from this course of conduct infer (unless we much mistake the opinion of H. E.) that it is deemed the bounden duty of a British subject, and the best evidence of his loyalty, to see that the treaty with China is not made a nullity, and that H. E. counts on British merchants not shrinking from openly repudiating such outrages on the country of nations. Hence it is we conceive His Excellency has wisely determined not to invoke the aid of those ample—we might say extraordinary—powers with which he is invested, and which he is chary to employ unless compelled.

Great efforts have been recently made to put down those daring robberies, which the Ladrões, and other piratical tribes from the adjacent islands and mainland, have from time to time attempted since the first establishment of the Colony. As public journalists, we deem it our duty to acknowledge these efforts of the authorities, to whom we are indebted; and therefore, not only to His Excellency Sir James R. B. G. G. G., who must be credited as the main spring of such measures, but likewise to that devoted soldier General D'Agular, whose hearty co-operation, we understand, is always obtainable in matters of public utility, do we hold the gratitude of the inhabitants of this town and its neighbourhood to be eminently due.

We are told that the anxiety of the civil Governor to protect the lives and properties of Her Majesty's subjects in this island, is only equalled by the readiness with which his wishes and suggestions are received and executed by the military commander.

Not only has the police force been augmented, by volunteers from the 55th regt, with the view of establishing additional posts on land, but actually, departing from the natural element of the soldier, it is designed to man boats with these military policemen, for the purpose of guarding our shores from the nocturnal incursions of the Ladrões, *As no disc' comes!*

To readers in England, and we flatter ourselves our humble journal circulates thus far, will, doubtless, appear strange; especially as John Bull's propensity for coming "the estimates" will lead him, as a matter of course to ask, where the dunces all those war vessels are, for whose service in the China seas he is called upon to vote supplies? As faithful chroniclers of passing events, we esteem it our duty to enlighten our home brethren on these points; and first we would relieve them of all apprehension regarding the safety of Her Majesty's fleet in these seas—particularly as several wrecks have been seen on the Pratas shoal, which no Queen's ship, we believe, has yet examined—by stating at once, that, in this our harbour of Hong-kong, the flag of Rear Admiral Sir Thomas Cochrane, is hoisted.

"Flouts the pale blue skies." Should perplexity cloud the minds of our readers, on hearing that British soldiers are about to perform the duty of sailors, and that to beneath the guns of their country's men-of-war, we can only say, that the anomalous circumstance can alone be accounted for, without prejudice to individuals, under one of two suppositions. Our geographical situation is now nearly at the antipodes of civilization; and therefore, perhaps, like those strange people whom ancient travellers have described, we think it convenient to ordain that everything should be done here in an inverse order to what is usual in other parts of the world.

In support of this theory, we find Sir Thomas Cochrane plying the soldier at Cowloon, whilst General B. is plying the sailor at Victoria. Nay more, whilst the General's soldiers are protecting the stores in Hongkong, Sir Thomas Cochrane's marines are holding a "vigil of arms" over four brass field pieces, and for exercise in the dominions of the Emperor of China. Whether these anomalies arise from geographical situation, the malign influence of decayed granite, or any of those other causes to which savans ascribe yellow fever and the blue devils (prolific parents of negatives), we cannot precisely aver; therefore we shall proceed without further delay to our second supposition.

"To move the monarch of a peopled deck," is, doubtless, a proud and pleasing privilege. To lay the stout ship yard arm to yard arm with a worthy foe, a no less glorious and gratifying occupation; but to de file the boat hooks of a man-of-war with such cannillecraft as haunt these shores, cannot be thought of; therefore until Admiral Paw-faw, or Commodore Fee-fee, or some other dignitary of equal importance enter the harbor, leaving gracefully against the mast, Her Majesty's ships must die in "ordinary." "Ordinary!" What home thoughts and feelings are connected with that word! The placid Midway, with its oak Leviathans awaiting in peaceful stillness the tramp of war. Portsmouth, Plymouth, and various other truly English scenes, where

"Early dreams like sun touched shadows lie," arise in fulness on the memory, and leave

"A weight upon our waking thoughts."

Ships in ordinary at Hongkong! Inexplicable arrangement! and the more so when we reflect upon the gallant crews thus unusually shut up. But we suppose this must be also a peculiarity incident to an inverted order of things, for in England, ships so situated boast no crews. Let us reflect—ah! a light breaks in. Is it a measure instigated by the East India Company to give a side wind to the Opium Trade, by convincing the Chinese, that, despite their propensity for "the drug," they are still many degrees a soberer people than those by whom their favorite narcotic is so vehemently condemned? Or is it a financial scheme of the home government, to demonstrate the superior inebriating qualities of British spirits over Opium? Under either hypothesis, nothing could be more successful; and we do not hesitate to say, that for one drunken Chinaman, we have seen three drunken sailors within the last six months. We are, however, far too charitable to entertain, after mature consideration, thoughts so unfavorable to the motives of either the Home or Indian Governments. Rather let us suppose it to have been intended to regenerate the Chinese, by practically expounding to them the horrors of drunkenness; for it has been truly said "the sight of a drunkard is a better sermon against intemperance, than the best ever preached on the subject;" and that, because.

"Sognis irritant animos demissa per aures Quam que sunt oculis subjecta fidelibus."

However, we may be in error after all. We can only say.

Quæ facti vis est notissima. which being interpreted means, that the cause of the ships not affording protection to the town, remains for abler reasoners than ourselves to unravel, although the result of their want of co-operation, in the protective measures of the local authorities, is obvious to all.

Having poured forth the vials of our dissatisfaction, we feel now somewhat calm and self-complacent. Under the ascendancy of these more benign influences, we would conclude this rather prosy disquisition, by announcing, that, abstractedly speaking, we entertain the highest respect and regard for Her Majesty's naval

force in these seas. Sir Thos. Cochrane we believe to be, "this present shortcoming set off his head," a most excellent and zealous officer; but, as public journalists we hold it our duty to claim for the inhabitants of the colony the protection they require. Why therefore, we ask, should soldiers be employed in boats to guard our shores, under the guns of the man of war? Cannot three or four boats be spared nightly, for this service, from the numerous Queen's ships in port? We would suggest 4 boats, with muffled oars, being stationed at intervals between Messrs. Matheson's and West Point. A man of war might likewise be safely moored for the greater part of the year below Mr. Edger's house. Such precautions would prove more effectual in frustrating the attempts of pirates, than any which can be undertaken by mere landmen.

This boon conferred on us by the navy, and Jack's little weaknesses shall pass unheeded, so long as they do not proceed too far. We know that allowances must be made for sailors coming on shore after long confinement on-board ship; but we think it rather too bad, that occasions of this sort should afford us the only proofs extant of there being a manned fleet in the harbour.

In our Gazette of the 12th inst., we gave insertion to a letter signed "John Wilson," on which we shall now offer a few observations. The writer in question, not content with pointing out some real evils, proceeds to insinuate that the present Superintendent of Police does not bestow the same attention on the town, as his predecessor, Captain Haley.

We have considered it our duty to make enquiry into this matter, and we are now enabled to state, that on the very day "John Wilson" penned his attack, the present Superintendent had his establishment at work in the east end of the town; nay more, that the previous day he personally brought thirty-five individuals before the Honorable Major Caine, for not keeping their premises clean, by whom they were severally fined one dollar.

We understand His Excellency the Governor has been from the commencement particularly desirous that every nook and corner of the town and cantonment should be thoroughly cleaned. Owing to a misapprehension of orders, however, the extra establishment, entertained for that purpose, was discharged, under an impression that its employment was only authorised for a certain number of days. This mistake has since been remedied, and the work of purification is again going on with as much activity as ever.

We were not slow in bestowing on Captain Haley the praise which we esteemed his due; but we have not the slightest doubt the present Superintendent (whose activity and zeal we have ourselves witnessed), will ere long merit from the public equal commendation.

Even after the accumulated filth is removed, it will require a very large establishment to prevent a fresh collection of the same noxious matter. Admitting that householders should be compelled to keep their respective premises clean, there will yet many localities for which the inhabitants cannot be individually held responsible. Under these circumstances, we feel assured there are few persons but would cheerfully submit to a small monthly tax, for the purpose of supporting a permanent establishment proportionate to the necessities of the colony.

SINGAPORE.

By the *Rustomjee Coomjee* we are in receipt of private advice from Singapore to the 8th ult: We extract the following.

In Europe piece goods there is not just now much doing, consequent on the non-arrival of our Chinese traders. Any sales that are being made are principally for the China market.

The *Drug* from first sale reached this on the 3rd inst: and the Market has opened at \$600 for Benares. In Patna nothing doing.

Straits produce suited to the China market may be quoted as follows; Betelput old \$1 per picul, Cloves ( Bourbon ) \$1.18 per picul—Gambier \$2 per picul—Pepper \$3.00 a \$4 per picul—Rattans \$1.14 to \$2.24 per picul—Tui \$1.12 per picul—Rice, "Ball" \$46 per koyan of 40 piculs.

Our exchange on London is 4s. 14d. for 3 m. bills. On Calcutta 220, Coa. rupees per 100 dollars.

INDIA.

The *Arad* brings word of the end of January.

It is reported that a new town is to be erected at Calcutta, on which will be described the names of all who fell at Gwalior.

The political treachery on the part of the Regent Bacc, would have justified the annexation of this territory to the British possessions. As it is the estate of Schind will, in future, be guarded by British troops, and the throne occupied by a puppet, without power or duties.

The *Carlton Press* mentions a fall in the price of Opium. This is not confirmed by the intelligence we have received; but we do not deny the truth of the statement. As the second Opium sale was to take place on the 12th of February, we may immediately expect a rise in the price of the commodity.

Freights have somewhat improved. The amount of tonnage in the port was not great and the exports of produce considerable. We quote— to London, 10s per weight, £3 to £4 per ton; light goods, £3 5s to £3 10s per ton of 40 cubic feet; Silk and Indigo, £4 4s to £4 10s, ditto; Opium to China, \$1 to \$12 dollars per chest.

Opium.—There has been considerable activity in our market for the drug, but without material change in prices. The following vessels have cleared with very large supplies, viz.— per Governor Family, for China—Patna, 825 chests, Bonaros, 265 ditto; for Singapore, Patna, 20 chests, Bonaros, 360 ditto. Per Rangoon Consignee, for China; Patna, 265 chests, Bonaros, 25 ditto; for Singapore, Patna, 30 chests, Bonaros, 815 ditto. Per Red Rover, for China; Patna, 810 chests, Bonaros, 85 ditto. Per Nautic, for China; Patna, 400 chests, Bonaros, 30 ditto; for Singapore; Patna, 20 chests, Bonaros 190 ditto. Now loading: Sophia Frazer, for Singapore; Bonaros, 25 chests, Patna, 5 ditto. Clipper Ariel, for China; Bonaros, 25 chests, Patna, 386 ditto.

Over a thousand pounds have been subscribed for the erection of a church at Hongkong.

It is the intention of Government to send out to Hongkong, 12 inspectors of police and 12 privates; the general corps to be selected from the natives there. The inspectors are to be allowed 400L a year.

It is said that Mr. McGregor, British Consul at Elsinore, has been appointed Consul-General in China.

The recent marriage of the wealthy partner of a great opium "millionaire" with the fair daughter of a deceased gallant officer, has excited considerable sensation in the world of fashion. It is very credibly asserted that the bride received on the day of marriage the round sum of 100,000L. We have further heard that a settlement of 8,000L a year was also made.

Steam Communication.—A deputation, consisting of Mr. J. A. Smith, M.P., Sir G. Larpent, Bart., Mr. D. Barclay, Mr. G. Barclay, C. F. Huth, Mr. S. Gregson, Mr. W. Buchanan (Glasgow), Mr. A. Jamieson (Glasgow), and captain Barber, had an interview with the President of the India Board, on the 29th, on the acceleration of the India mails.

THE DECEMBER MAIL.

By the clipper Ariel, from Calcutta, we are in possession of English news to the 6th of December, anticipating the mail from Bombay, which may be hourly expected. The Larriek, with the mail for China on board, was at Singapore when the Ariel sailed from that port.

The political information from Europe is not of much importance. We regret to notice the serious decline in the Tea market. We are inclined to think this is mainly attributable to the very large shipments expected from China, parties in Europe naturally supposing that the opening of the ports of Shanghai, Ningpo, &c., in the provinces of the tea culture, will augment the shipments and glut the markets. They will shortly be aware that this is not the fact; and we anticipate a reaction in this important item of Eastern commerce. In the meantime tea will fall in the Canton market, buyers having held back to learn the result of December sales. We are afraid the present low rate of freights will be further reduced, unless the holders of the tea give way immediately.

The repeal agitation in Ireland, has in a great degree subsided; but the people are so thoroughly imbued with the doctrines held forth by O'Connell, that it will be long before they subside into that state of quietude which their country so much requires, but which she appears fated never to enjoy. The determination to shake off the "Saxon yoke," is deeply implanted in the minds of the Irish people, and the many concessions which have been wrung from an unwilling ministry, during the past fifteen years, might almost lead an excited population to believe, that by clamour and passive opposition they may also obtain the wished for boon. This cannot be conceded. An appeal to arms we do not apprehend; but years of turmoil and innumerable vexations are yet in store for the people of Ireland and the ministers of the British crown.

O'Connell's trial has been postponed to the 15th January. It will be of great length, from the field of agitation over which the charge extends, and the number of witnesses who will have to be examined, both in support of the charges in the indictment, and on the part of the accused.

The Anti Corn Law League continues to make gigantic strides; and in the event of a dissolution of parliament, many of the adherents will find a seat in the house.

The organization of the league is complete, and backed by the voice of the people, and the manufacturing and commercial interests, they will sooner or later compel the ministry to abandon the sliding scale, and put on a small fixed duty, if not to admit corn free of custom house charge whatever. Whether Sir Robert Peel will ever consent to such a measure is a matter of opinion. The Duke of Wellington and himself granted the emancipation of Catholics from the antiquated restrictions so long imposed on them, though opposed to the measure. The mere desire of the people is unpopular with the ministry.

The repeal of the corn laws, is the wish of the people may, however, and we are inclined to think will ultimately open his eyes to the necessity of reducing the price of bread.

In looking hurriedly over our papers we glean the following news. When our regular file comes to hand, we will probably be enabled to select some interesting paragraphs.

PARLIAMENTARY.

Mr. Campbell, a conservative, has been returned for Salisbury by a majority of 318 to 267 over the Hon. Mr. Bouvier, a liberal.

Mr. Pierce Somerset Butler has been returned without opposition for the county of Kilkenny, in success-

sion to the late Major Brynn. The hon. gentleman was proposed by Mr. H. Loughnan, and the nomination was seconded by the Rev. Father Carroll. It is almost needless to say that the new member, his proposer and seconder, all declared themselves whole hog Republicans. The "procession" which accompanied Mr. Butler to the Court-house consisted of about a dozen persons, besides a temperance band; nor was the company a whit more select than numerous.

APPOINTMENTS.

Dr. Spencer, Bishop of Newfoundland, has been made Bishop of Jamaica. The Bahamas Islands are constituted an Archdeaconry subordinate to the Bishopric of Jamaica; and Dr. John M'Cameroon 'Trow appointed the Archdeacon. Commander Edmund Norcott, R.N., is appointed Governor of the Gambin settlements; Mr. William Henry Butt, Rector of Malta University; C. Bankhead, Esq., Sec. to Embassy at Constantinople, Minister Plenipotentiary to the Mexican Republic; J. R. Milbanke, Esq., Sect. to Embassy at Vienna, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of Bavaria; the Hon. H. R. C. Wellesley, Sec. to Legation at Stutgardt, Sec. to Embassy at Constantinople; and Sir A. Malet, Bart, Sec. to Legation at the Hague, Sec. to Embassy at Vienna.

William Henry Butt, Esq., is appointed Rector of Malta University, by the Queen, in the room of Frank Mahony, the Father Prout of Fraser's Magazine, who has unexpectedly returned to England. He had been appointed by Lord Stanley to the head of the Roman Catholic Institution at Malta, but the Pope refused to ratify the appointment. The objections of his Holiness are supposed to be grounded on the questionable character of Mahony's orthodoxy.

The Artesian well at the Royal Hospital Haslar, sunk by Mr. T. Docwra, has resulted in procuring a most abundant supply of water, which has been analysed by order of the Board of Admiralty, and is found to be of the purest and softest quality. What is most surprising is, that the water rises through 125 feet of shingle and running sand, which is full of salt water, being effected by the tides. The trouble and difficulty in stopping the salt water out has been entirely overcome. The quantity of water that Mr. Docwra guaranteed to obtain was 12,960 gallons per day, but the actual quantity obtained from the spring, 156 feet deep, was 59,328 gallons per day. This quantity can be pumped every day without reducing the water in the well more than about 40 feet from the surface.—The equestrian statue of His Majesty George IV, by Sir F. Chantrey, has been somewhat suddenly erected on a pedestal at the north-eastern corner of Trafalgar square, near the porfice of St. Martin's church. It is an equestrian statue in bronze, and as far as a judgment can be made from the point of view now open to the public, is a good likeness of the monarch. The horse on which the figure is placed has all his feet upon the ground, so that little scope has been given to the artist to develop the fire and ardour of a charger, or to express the animation usually depicted in equestrian statues. It is understood that the statue of George III, now in the open space in Pall Mall East will be removed from its present locality, and placed at the north west corner of the square, close to the hall of the physicians.—The Liverpool papers contain several particulars of the proposed dock at Wallasey-pool, which continues to excite the greatest interest in the locality. The sea-wall is to extend from Woodside-slip to Seacombe-ship, with a very slight inclination towards the entrance, and in a straight line from each slip respectively, the wall being nearly divided in two portions on each shore. So favourable are the foundation for the walls, that it is expected not a pile will have to be driven. The outer harbour is to have an open entrance, 302 feet wide, and will comprise an area of 37 acres, and have a depth at low water of spring tides of 42 feet. The inner dock, which will extend from the outer harbour to the village of Ponilton, will comprise a water surface, floating vessels of all burdens, of 180 acres, which, with the area of the outer harbour, will make 167 acres, or about 60 acres more of accommodation than all the Liverpool docks put together. The margin of the pool will be appropriated to wharfs, slips, warehouses, and sheds; shipwrights' yards and graving docks will be in the immediate vicinity; and from the tunnel at Monk's Ferry to the margin of the docks there will be a tunnel under the town of Birkenhead. The cost of construction is estimated at about 300,000L, and the whole of the funds are to be raised on the credit of overdrafting. If the rates received more than suffice to pay the interest on the loans, they will be appropriated to the reduction of the principal debt. The Cheshire people are sanguine enough to hope that the whole will be paid off ultimately, and that then the works may become free of rates. The angry feeling which at first arose when this measure was brought forward, arising from a fear that the new dock should damage Liverpool, is according to the local papers, giving place to a more friendly disposition. The Liverpool Courier, to allay apprehension, observes, that Birkenhead and all its adjuncts can never go on in a ratio of prosperity beyond the impulse which Liverpool, as its natural parent, must give.

The trial of Lieutenant Murray and Lieutenant Grant for their part in a duel which was fatal to Colonel Lyneal Fowkes, was appointed to take place in the Central Criminal Court next session. Lieutenant Murray continues seriously indisposed.

By a recent regulation, which is to take place from July 1st next, sixty pursers are to be placed on the retired list, at 5s 6d per diem, the next seventy are to retire on a day to be fixed by the succeeding parliament, and the remainder of the number of those who have been placed on the retired list shall have been reduced to fifty, on the 1st of July 1847.

On Dec.—Mr. McGregor, from the Board of Trade, and Mr. M'Gregor, the British Consul at Shanghai, are both spoken of as most likely to relieve Sir Henry Pottinger in China.—They are men of first rate talents, and it is generally considered that a better selection could not be made, should either the one or the other succeed to the appointment.

Panama, per Grenville to China: Lieut. Mewson, Lieut. Paterson, Mr. Hodges, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Davies.

Some of the "smarter" philosphers across the Atlantic have been applying the Daguerrotype and the electrotype to the purpose of forgery and coining.—The notes of the Cincinnati Bank have been Daguerrotyped and engraved with such accuracy that the forged notes and the genuine cannot be distinguished.

LITERATURE, ARTS, SCIENCES, &c.

The Rev. Charles Webb Le Bass, A.M., has resigned the appointment of Principal of the East-India College at Haileybury. The Rev. Mr. Melville and the Rev. Mr. Anderson, are candidates for this appointment.

Dr. Mill, late of Bishop's College, Calcutta, is expected to succeed Dr. Lonsdale, Bishop of Lichfield, as Principal of King's College, London.

Her Majesty has granted a pension of 200L per annum to Sir William Hamilton, Professor of Astronomy in the University of Dublin, and President of the Royal Irish Academy. This gracious recognition of the merits of Sir William was made without any application on his part or that of any of his friends.

The emolument of the Professorship of Natural Philosophy, Trinity College, Dublin, vacant by the elevation of Dr. Lloyd, as senior fellow, is 800L per annum. Mr. M'Callagh takes this Professorship; and Mr. Graves that of Mathematics.

The Senate of King's College and University, Aberdeen, has approved generally of the resolutions of the Senate of the University of Glasgow, relative to the abrogation of religious tests in the universities.

The following Members of the Senate of the University of Glasgow have published their reasons for dissenting from a series of resolutions terminating in a petition to Parliament for a repeal of the Act 1707, requiring subscriptions to the standards of the Church of Scotland, of professors, and others bearing office in universities, adopted on the 7th Nov.—"D. Macfarlan, Principal; Alex. Hill, Prof. of Divinity; John Burns, Prof. of Surgery; Rob. Buchanan, Prof. of Logic; William Fleming, Prof. of Moral Phil.; George Gray, Prof. of Orient. Lang.; Allen Macnochie, Prof. of Law; James Jaffray, Prof. of Anatomy; William Metcalham, Prof. of Nat. Hist."

Dr. Robertson, of Elton, has been appointed to the Chair of Church History in the University of Edinburgh, and also to the Secretaryship of the Bible Board. It is generally understood that he refused to accept the chair without being provided with emolument in addition to the income which belongs to it.

The Musical chair in Edinburgh University is again vacant. Sir H. Bishop, who is now in London, has written to the Senatus stating that his health will not permit him to deliver lectures, and that in consequence he resigns the chair.

Sir Augustus Wall Callcott, R. A., has been appointed Keeper of the Paintings in the National Gallery, in the room of the late Mr. Soguer; and Mr. Charles Locke Eastlake, R. A., has been appointed Curator of the Royal Pictures at Windsor Castle and the Royal Palaces.

IRELAND.

The Lord Lieutenant has been very seriously indisposed, but is now quite recovered.

The Lord-Lieutenant has been pleased to approve of the Right Hon. Sir Patrick Balfour, Bart, being appointed Colonel of the Louth Regiment of Militia, in the room of Lord Ferrard, deceased. Sir Patrick is a Roman Catholic, and formerly represented the county of Louth on Radical principles. The right hon. baronet is, however, strongly opposed to the repeal agitation.

The following are the members of the commission, which is to proceed with its inquiries.—Lord Devon, chairman; Sir R. Ferguson, M. P.; Mr. Redington, M. P.; Mr. G. A. Hamilton, M. P.; and Mr. Wynne of the county of Sligo.

Sir H. Barron and Mr. Wye, the representatives for the city of Waterford, have refused to become members of the Repeal Association.

Rumour will have it that amongst the learned dignitaries of the Roman Catholic Church, 15 have declared for repeal, and 11 against it.

The Roman Catholic archbishops and bishops of Ireland, assembled at their annual conference in Dublin, have deemed it their duty, for the third time within seven years, to publish a most decided declaration against a state provision for the clergy, in any form whatsoever.

SCOTLAND.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Alex. Wood, Esq., one of the Lords of Session in Scotland, to be one of the Lords Justiciary in Scotland, in the room of Alex. Macnochie, Esq., resigned.

The Queen has been pleased to grant the place of one of the Lords of Session in Scotland to Patrick Robertson, Esq., Dean of Faculty, in the room of Alex. Macnochie, Esq., resigned.

The Queen has been pleased to constitute and appoint J. Millar, Esq., Advocate, to be Sheriff Depute of the shire or sheriffdom of Selkirk, in the room of T. H. Miller, Esq., deceased.

The Lord Advocate, Mr. Duncan M'Neil, has been elected Dean of the Faculty of Edinburgh by a very large majority. Since the time of Lord Melville this is the only instance of that distinguished honour having been conferred upon a Lord Advocate, and the appointment is complimentary to the individual as it must be interesting to the Government.

Mr. Adam Black, the eminent pleader, and consistent Reformer, has been unanimously elected chief magistrate of Edinburgh.

The Rev. Dr. Chalmers has received from a member of the Church of England, 1,000L for the free church, being 600L for the building fund, and 400L for the sustentation.

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Macao, 12th July, 1843.

PHILLIPS MOORE & Co.

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

Hongkong, February, 19th 1844.

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, 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 &c. &c. He further assures them that any commands with which he may be entrusted, in the preparation of Prescriptions, restituting Medicine Chests &c. will be most faithfully attended to.

1st January, 1844.

MR. LATTY.

Chronometer and Watch Maker. Removed from Lanes Hotel to the upper part of Mr. Pain's new store Queens Road opposite to Chifians Hong.

Hongkong, January, 1844.

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.;

DIROM & Co. Macao, 1st 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 merchandise of all descriptions received and carefully stored in spacious airy and secure Brick Godowns situated 18 and 50 Queen's Road upon moderate terms.

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

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

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

(Signed) F. T. BUSH, ALEX. A. MILLER. Victoria, Hongkong, 1st February, 1844.

NOTICE.—The undersigned is authorized by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief of H.M. 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.

STORAGE may be obtained in dry, secure, and insured Godowns, on application to BUSH & MILLER.

Victoria, Hongkong, February, 24th 1844.

FOR SALE.—One Mahogany and horse hair Sofa, One mahogany Celeret with marble slab, A few Tons of Jerked Beef, Tongues, a carriage, Eau de Cologne, a Portable water closet, Butter, Cheese, Ham, 8 Tons Sandal Wood, Port, and Sherry Wines, Claret, Hoek, Champagne, Pale and Dark Brandy, Gin, whiskey and Liqueurs Pickles Sauces, Mustard, Preserves, &c. &c.

Apply to J. B. PAIN. Victoria, 7th March, 1844.

FOR SALE.—Two splendid Young Horses. Apply to J. B. PAIN. Victoria, 7th March, 1844.

FOR SALE.—The following Wines received ex Room from Messrs. Sandeman Forster and Co. London.

French 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 &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. Co. 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, Arack, Bengal Chitney, Butter in Kegs, Candles, Bengal Rice, Ditto Dholl, Coal Tar, Swedish Ditto, and Pitch; a variety of other articles.

At the Godowns of JOHN BIRD & Co. TO LET.

THE Bungalow & out Offices, belonging to Framjee Jemsetjee Esq. situate on the Queen's Road near to Messrs. Macvicar & Co's premises. For particulars apply to Framjee 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 2000 Bales of Cotton, Rent \$50 per month each.

Apply to A. Mc CULLOCH, 45 Queen's Road. Victoria, Hong-Kong, 12th December, 1843.

FOR SALE.—SILVER in large Ingots. HUGHESON, CALDER & Co.

FOR SALE.—At the Godowns of the undersigned, Claret St. Julien Pameys and Destourmel Liqueurs Olive oil Champagne French plums in Cabbisters Cognac Brandy in Doz Cases \$4 each. Brandy fruits.

WILLIAM SCOTT. Victoria, 1st March, 1844.

FOR SALE.—Ghee, Pitch and Pure Oil, Beer in Hops.

At the godowns of JOHN BIRD & Co. Victoria, 20th September, 1843.

FOR AMOY, CHUSAN, SHANGHAI, AND THE INTERMEDIATE PORTS.

THE Fine British Clipper Bull Schooner Alligator A. I. for 12 Years at Lloyd's R. W. COOK, Commander.

She will be ready to receive goods on the 10th Inst. and will meet with immediate despatch having the greater part of her cargo engaged.

This Vessel has splendid accommodations for Passengers. for Particulars, Apply to the Commander on board or to J. B. PAIN, Queen's Road, Victoria, 6th March, 1844.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.—THE British Ship GONDOLLER, A. I. 342 tons, Capt. Oliver.

Apply to HOLLIDAY WISE & Co. Victoria, 10th February, 1844.

FOR SALE.—The new and superior built Iron Barque "JOHN LARID" 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 half rope yarn, best London make.

Sails; One suit and a half quite new, one half worn of best Navy canvas, Anchors and Cables complete, 1 Patent Windlass, Iron Tanks and Butts, Two new quarter boats with awning and sails, Launch and Yawl 30 Tons new small sized Kentledge, Guns, arms and ammunition complete in Patent barrels; 2 Pitch pine spars 50 ft. by 14 Ins. and others. Is well adapted for a Coaster or for short voyages. Could be navigated with a very limited crew, and is ready to start at a days notice.

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

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. FRANKLYN, Schooner-Comet, Whampoa, 23rd February, 1844.

FOR SALE.—Manila Rum and Java Arrack in Casks of all sizes, Brandy in Hogsheads, 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 16th 1844. 18 Queen's Road.

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

Apply to N. DUUS. Victoria, February 16th, 1844. 18 Queen's Road.

B. 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.

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 obliged, obedt. Servant, JANUARIO J. LOPEZ.

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

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deputy Mayor of the City of Malacca, Privy Counsellor, and held the Office of Crown of the State during the Regency and the reigns of their Majesty George the Fourth and William the Fourth. He married July, 1806, Ann, daughter of the late John Andrews, Esq., of Shropshire Hall, Northumberland, who died March, 1811, by whom he had issue five sons and two daughters, who survive him. The youngest is succeeded by his eldest son, John, Earl of Wiltshire.

"The late Captain of Madras."—For Lady, whose demise took place on the 21st ult., was Lady Frances Le Poer French, fifth daughter of William Power, first Earl of Ely, who died in the present year of Madras, 18th July, 1841, by whom she had issue five sons and five daughters. The Countess was in her 67th year.

"Admiral Sir Graham Moore, G. C. B."—We have to announce the death of the above gallant admiral, at Book Farm, Cabbon, on the 24th ult., at an advanced age. He was the third son of Dr. Moore by the daughter of Professor Simpson, of Glasgow and brother to Sir Moore, who fell at Cinnona.

"The Countess of Mayo."—We regret to announce the death of the Countess of Mayo, at Bristol Lodge, Bognor, which melancholy event took place on the 19th ult. The Countess was one of the ladies in waiting upon the Queen Dowager.

"The Countess Rosemon."—The Countess of Rosemon died on the 20th ult., at Fitzwilliam Lodge, Booterstown, near Dublin, in the thirty-eighth year of her age. Her ladyship was sister of the Earl of Surrey, and wife of Michael James Robert Dillon, Earl of Rosemon.

"The Hon. Mr. Henry Browne."—We regret to announce the sudden death of the Hon. Henry Browne, youngest son of Lord Oranmore, on the 21st ult., while out shooting by the accidental explosion of his gun, at Castlemagareh.

"Sir Lachlan Maclean."—Sir Lachlan Maclean, M.D. died at Bury, on the 18th ult., in his 81st year. He was created a Knight Bachelor in 1812, and was seventh son of Dr. Maclean, of the Isle of Skye, who distinguished himself during the year 1745 in defence of the Hanoverian succession. Sir Lachlan had been in practice as a physician for more than half a century. (Monthly Times, Dec. 6.)

AMERICAN AT WHAMPŌA, AND MACAO.

|             |     |          |                  |
|-------------|-----|----------|------------------|
| Panama      | 640 | Greswold | A.A. Ritcher     |
| Probus      | 378 | Sumner   | Watmore & Co.    |
| Robt Fulton | 157 | Dankor   | O. H. Tiers      |
| Oscar       | 325 | Eybe     | Watmore & Co.    |
| F. Warren   | 504 | Pratt    | Watmore & Co.    |
| Argyle      | 221 | Corksey  | Wainwright & Co. |
| Hulltrass   | 335 | Loyal    | Joynt & Co.      |
| Engle       | 335 | Shorman  | Russell & Co.    |
| Bazaar      | 335 | Kilham   | "                |

BRITISH VESSELS AT MACAO.

|              |     |            |                        |
|--------------|-----|------------|------------------------|
| Fortitude    | 640 | Buckham    | Lindsay & Co.          |
| John Witt    | 378 | Dinevign   | Russell & Co.          |
| Lennit       | 100 | John Smith | F. Ley                 |
| F. Bhabadian | 157 | Wolfe      | Boustead & Co.         |
| Kestrel      | 325 | Debuvalis  | "                      |
| Carthaginian | 504 | Jack       | "                      |
| Gratitudo    | 221 | Hawley     | "                      |
| Angliada     | 335 | Latio      | "                      |
| Sarah        | 225 | Mossman    | Jardine Matheson & Co. |

PORTUGUESE.

|             |    |           |               |
|-------------|----|-----------|---------------|
| H.M.F. Tejo | 50 | Gains     | Capt. Cecille |
| Anglica     | 50 | Cleopatra | J.A. Durran   |
| Gonovora    | 50 | Bernaid   | "             |
| N.S. da Luz | 50 | Pfeifer   | Dent & Co.    |
| Onze Março  | 50 | Ryken     | Turner & Co.  |

FRENCH.

|           |    |         |               |
|-----------|----|---------|---------------|
| H.M.L.S.  | 50 | Gains   | Capt. Cecille |
| Cleopatra | 50 | Bernaid | J.A. Durran   |

DUTCH.

|          |    |         |              |
|----------|----|---------|--------------|
| Handel   | 50 | Pfeifer | Dent & Co.   |
| Martsch  | 50 | Ryken   | Turner & Co. |
| appuy    | 50 | "       | "            |
| Zorgyhet | 50 | "       | "            |

SPANISH.

|       |    |        |                 |
|-------|----|--------|-----------------|
| Feliz | 50 | Caldes | P. de las Heras |
|-------|----|--------|-----------------|

LATEST DATES.

|               |         |           |         |
|---------------|---------|-----------|---------|
| ENGLAND       | Nov. 15 | SINGAPORE | Feb. 22 |
| UNITED STATES | Nov. 17 | JAVA      | Jan. 10 |
| CALCUTTA      | Jan. 31 | MANILA    | Mar. 11 |
| BOMBAY        | Jan. 13 | CHUSAN    | Feb. 18 |
| SYDNEY        | Jan. 6  | SHANGHAI  | Feb. 23 |
|               |         | AMOI      | Feb. 14 |

FOR SALE.

At the Godowns of the undersigned, the following Furniture, of superior finish, just landed ex "Horatio" from New York:

- Mahogany Beauforts with marble tops, and mirrors.
- Centre tables with marble tops.
- Hair cloth mahogany sofas.
- Single and double wash hand stands, marble tops.
- Rocking chairs, &c. &c.

BUSH & MILLER.

Victoria, 16th March, 1844.

JUST RECEIVED.

GOOD Butter in 15 lb. kegs, and excellent Pine Cheeses. Also, a quantity of English Wax and Sperm Candles, ex "Anne Jane."

Apply at

FRAS. DICKENS.

Opposite the Hongkong Market

Victoria, 18th March, 1844.

JUST received, ex "Honario," and FOR SALE, a quantity of American Bar Soap and patent sperm candles.

ALSO

SUPERIOR OLD No. 3 CHEROOTS; Thomas Heath's London bottled cognac of superior quality; Pale and Brown Sherry; Graham & Co's Geneva; Port wine; Claret; Sauterne and other light French wines; Cider; best French corks; Oilman's Stores &c.

Apply to

J. C. POWER.

Victoria, 19th March, 1844.

MR. GILBERT, Surgeon, &c., formerly Surgeon to the "Perbide," Dispensary, and Surgeon Accoucheur to the Chinese Church Institution, London, begs to have most respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Hongkong, that he intends practicing his profession in all its branches.

Queen's Road, opposite Mr. Duns' store.

Victoria, Hongkong, 18th March, 1844.

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

Apply to

DISANDT & THEDEMAN.

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

Apply to

DISANDT & THEDEMAN.

Corner of the Quay, opposite the Premier of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

FOR SALE.—A few dozens of very superior Pale Brandy in dozen cases.

Apply to

DISANDT & THEDEMAN.

Victoria, 11th March, 1844.

NEW STORE.

JUST received and now open and for sale by the undersigned at the store formerly occupied by J. W. Bohoff, Queen's Road.

- Champagne
- Claret
- Sherry
- Port
- Brandy
- Ale
- Porter
- Cider
- Perry
- Vinogar
- Cherry Cordial
- Milk Chocolate
- Stationery of all Sorts
- Oil Table covers
- Lemon Syrup
- Black and Green Tea
- Sperm Candles

Pickles, and Sauces of all descriptions; Pocket and Office knives, Scissors; Table Cutlery, Breakfast and dinner Sets and other Crockery ware; Cheeses, Hams, Perfumery; Glass ware of all descriptions; Gentlemen and Ladies' Cotton Hosiery and various other articles.

ROBT LOWRIE.

Victoria, 5th March, 1844.

JUST received an assortment of superior West of England Broad Cloths, also some excellent Scotch Tweeds warranted all wool and Yarn dyed. Likewise ex Anne Jane, Byass best London bottled Pale ale and Porter. And also ex Possidone, Sinaopore bottled ale and porter. And Sundry other articles too numerous to mention.

Apply to

F. DICKENS.

Queen's Road,

March 15th, 1844.

N.B.—For sale a quantity of good saddle, Table and Hanging Lamps, Glass-ware &c. &c. &c.

JUST received and for sale in the godowns of the undersigned:

- Fowling pieces, Pistols, Fresh American Flour, Bread, Cheese, Butter, Ladies' and Gent's shoes, a few pairs of French Boots, Champagne in Baskets, Sherry in wood and Bottle, Brandy, Fruit, a few cases Tokay, Olives, Champagne Cider, Arrack, Neat's Tongues, Foney goods, Quills, Steel pens, Hand mirrors, Shades for Candelsticks, Plated Ware, &c.

R. TOWNSEND.

Victoria, 7th March, 1844.

FOR SALE.—Two large Bangalows, eligibly situated in a healthy part of the town, having convenient out offices. Early possession can be given. For particulars apply to

R. OSWALD.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1844.

BOOKS.—For sale by the undersigned a large and valuable collection of new Books and Office Maps.

P. TOWNSEND.

Victoria, 7th March, 1844.

ON SALE.

A few Boxes of Assorted Garden Seeds

Apply to N. DEUS.

18 Queen's Road.

Victoria, 15th March, 1844.

WATERBOAT.—Captains and Agents of Ships are respectfully informed that a Boat has been fitted with Tanks and a Force Pump for the delivery of Water to the Shipping in Harbour, she will be anchored off the wharf of Mr. N. DEUS.

Apply on board or at the Godowns.

Cash on Delivery.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1844.

TO be raffled for by forty subscribers at \$10 each, the horse lately imported from Bengal by Capt. Lauder. For tickets apply at the Office of this paper.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1844.

ADVERTISEMENT.

THE Gun Room Officers of Her Majesty's Steamer Vessel Driver will not be responsible for any Debts contracted by Chua, Eleker, their Messman.

H. M. S. Driver, 21st March, 1844.

WHAMPŌA HOSPITAL.

FOR the greater convenience of cases lying in the Whampoa and Blenheim reaches, the Hospital Vessel, moored off the Bombay Creek by which both are united.

M. OSULLIVAN, M.D., F.R.S.

Resident Surgeon.

Whampoa, 3rd February, 1844.

FOR SALE.—At the Office of this paper, Additions to the sailing directions for the coast of China, brought in February 1844 from the survey of Captain Collinson R.N. in the Commodore's ship, and also the papers according to the sailing instructions relative to the Straits of Malacca, and a statement of the Merchant Seamen's Accidents on the Coast of China, 1843, and General Reports of Amoy and other ports prepared by Mr. G. B. Smith.

Victoria, 7th March, 1844.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

|                    |                         |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| MARCH, ARRIVED.    | 1844.                   |
| 17th Resolution    | Wood, Macao.            |
| 18th Fred Warren   | Pratt, " "              |
| " Cowasjee Family, | Macao.                  |
| MARCH, SAILED.     | 1844.                   |
| 15th Possidone     | Valentine, Singapore.   |
| 16th Canton        | Gawson, England.        |
| " Petrel           | Hodgers, Macao.         |
| 17th Wanderer      | Smith, Singapore.       |
| 18th Emperor       | Kean, Manila.           |
| " Swartwick        | Harmine, Macao.         |
| " Magnolia         | Johnson, Amoy & Chusan. |
| " Red Rover        | McMardo, East Coast.    |
| " Horatio          | Houlard, Whampoa.       |

UNDER DESPATCH.

Fred Warren, for Manila, on 19th instant; Resolution, " Singapore and Calcutta; "

REPORTS.

The Castle Eden has arrived at Singapore after a fine run of less than 7 days.

VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR.

| NAMES.          | TONS. | MASTER.    | CONSIGNERS.            |
|-----------------|-------|------------|------------------------|
| Fortescue       | 259   | Hall       | Jardine Matheson & Co. |
| Oriental        | 392   | Wardle     | Matheson & Co.         |
| Omega           | —     | White      | Jardine Matheson & Co. |
| Warlock         | —     | Januncy    | "                      |
| Brabim          | —     | Mac Arthur | Dent & Co.             |
| Spec            | —     | —          | "                      |
| Neried          | —     | Grant      | "                      |
| Alligator       | 198   | Cooke      | "                      |
| Boxer (Am.)     | —     | Robinson   | Bush & Miller          |
| Bangalore       | 383   | Smith      | Bell & Co.             |
| William 4th     | 141   | Woodin     | "                      |
| Wanderer        | 359   | Smith      | "                      |
| Zeminder        | —     | King       | Jardine Matheson & Co. |
| Soupravova      | —     | —          | Jardine Matheson & Co. |
| Litherland      | 305   | Freeman    | Fox Rawson & Co.       |
| Gazelle         | —     | Dicwell    | "                      |
| Annie Jane      | —     | Rigby      | Russell & Co.          |
| Royal Albert    | —     | Balderson  | Bell & Co.             |
| Red Rover       | —     | Mc Murray  | "                      |
| Lord Petre      | —     | Lakey      | "                      |
| Resolution      | 298   | Wood       | Lindsay & Co.          |
| Fre. Warren     | 393   | Pratt      | Russell & Co.          |
| Cowasjee Family | —     | —          | "                      |

HER MAJESTY'S SHIPS.

Agincourt, 72, Rear Admiral Sir Thomas Cochrane.  
 K. C. B. Cap. Bruce.  
 "Castor," 36, Captain Graham.  
 "Minden," 72, Captain John.—Hospital Ship.  
 H.M.S. Frigate Viceroy, Commander Gifford R. N.  
 H.M.S. Frigate Driver Com. Hayes R. N.  
 H. C. S. "Proserpine" Comd. Hough R. N.  
 "Alligator" — Troop Ship—Master Commanding M. C. King, R. N.

BRITISH SHIPPING AT WHAMPŌA.

| SHIPS.             | TONS. | CAPTAIN.   | AGENTS.                |
|--------------------|-------|------------|------------------------|
| Bombay             | 1270  | Tutley     | Jardine Matheson & Co. |
| Dutchess           | —     | —          | "                      |
| Northumberland     | 541   | Boat       | "                      |
| Commodore Campbell | 766   | Cunningham | Dent & Co.             |
| Hesperus           | 363   | Strayn     | Parmer & Co.           |
| Argyle             | 408   | Killey     | "                      |
| Resolution         | 377   | Baird      | "                      |
| John Laird         | 447   | Wood       | Lindsay & Co.          |
| Grey               | 207   | St. Croix  | "                      |
| Wassackon          | 180   | Sedgewick  | "                      |
|                    |       | Webber     | "                      |