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On board the Schooner.
Victoria, June 25, 1844.

TO let on moderate terms, the fine old ship **SARAH**, being well calculated for an Hospital ship or Godown.
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East Point, 20th June, 1844.

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Victoria, 8th June, 1844.

FOR SALE.—At the office of this paper. Comrades cheque books. Ships Articles, with an abstract of the merchant seaman's act endorsed on the back. Charterparties, after forms by Chitty. Powers of Attorney, after forms by Chitty. Bills of Lading. Chinese Turf of imports, and exports, for counting houses.

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SINGAPORE—R. Little, Esq.
BOMBAY—J. W. Bell, Esq.
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R. OSWALD.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1844.

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and
General Store Warehouse.

EX "CITY OF DERRY,"
LARGE and Choice assortment of Ordnance Stores, Prime Westmoreland Flax, Cloves, and Smoked Bacon, Hardware, Ironmongery, Fowling-pieces, Saddle, Sigs, and Sauted Harness, Blackskin Trouser Patterns, Stationery, a quantity of superior London Bottled Ale and Porter, and a splendid four-wheeled Phaeton.
N.B.—Goods received and sold on Commission.

FOR SALE.—Riga Spars, for Top and Top-gallant Masts and Yards, and Deal Planks, from 1 to 14 inch x 7, and from 12 to 20 feet long, and a Patent Windlass, Capstan and Winch, also Europe and Manila Rope, Canvas Paint, Paint Oil, Flour, and Salt Provisions.
N. DUUS.
Hongkong, March, 20th 1844.

FOR SALE.—Chain Cables, from 2 to 1 inch, and Anchors from 1 to 20 cwt.
Apply to
N. DUUS.
Victoria, 21st May, 1844.

FOR SALE, at the Godowns of the Undersigned, signed,
A Coppered Longboat, with Masts, Sails, &c.
ALSO,
A Four-oared Jollyboat,
N. DUUS.
Victoria, 21st May, 1844.

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

FOR SALE.—Beer in Wood and Bottles just arrived.
Apply to
N. DUUS
Victoria, April 26th, 1844 18 Queen's Road.

FOR SALE.
A FEW BAGS BENGAL GRAM just arrived.
Apply to
N. DUUS,
18, Queen's Road.
Victoria, May 31, 1844.

FOR SALE.
A FEW bags Bengal RICE and DHOLL; also a few two mould Casks of Ghee just arrived.
Apply to
N. DUUS,
18, Queen's Road.
Victoria, June 25, 1844.

JUST received by late arrivals. A small quantity of superior Sherry and Port Wine, in 3 doz. cases, superior Sparkling Champagne, in 12 doz. baskets; Pale and Dark Brandy; English Shoes; Towelling, Crockery, and Glass ware.
ROBERT LOWRIE.
Victoria, 2nd July, 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.

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

WATER BOAT.—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. Duus. Apply on board or at the Godown.
Cash on Delivery.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1844.

STORAGE may be obtained in dry, secure, and insurable Godowns.
Apply to
HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co.
18 Queen's Road,
24th April, 1844.

D. REMI,
FROM AUBERT and REAPPEINBERGER,
London and Geneva.

BEGS to acquaint the Public that he has established himself as Chronometer and Watch-maker, and also repairs musical boxes, and by his attention to business, he hopes to be favored with the patronage of the community.
28th, Hospital-street,
28th June, 1844.

NOTICE.
JUST landed, a small parcel of Superior No. 3, and No. 4 Manila Cigars. Apply to
F. H. TIEDEMAN.

FOR SALE.—Pale and Brown Sherry
E. I. Madeira
Port
Hock (Graefenberg)
Claret
Champagne, and
Cognac Brandy.
Apply at the Godowns of
W. & T. GEMMELL & CO.
Victoria, 17th May, 1844.

FOR SALE.—From 16 to 32 oz. Sheathing Copper, and Nails, Bolts, Rings—Butt Bolts and Spikes. Also, Canvas, from No. 1 to 6.
Apply at the Godowns of
W. & T. GEMMELL & CO.
Victoria, 17th May, 1844.

C. W. BOWRA,
BEGS to inform his friends in China, and the inhabitants of Hongkong generally, that he has fitted up and connected with his former establishment, that spacious building of No. 12, Queen's Road, opposite Magistracy Street, for a Ship Chandlery and General Store Warehouse, which business he intends carrying on as heretofore. He has now on hand a general assortment, consisting of the following articles, viz. —Anchors and Chains of sizes, Chain Cables, Europe, Coir, and Manila Cordage from 1 to 8 inch, Canvas of all numbers, Hooks, Thimbles, and Twine; Buntin Red, White, Blue, and Yellow; Blocks, Oars, Spun Yarn, Galium; Peon, Teak, and Pine Spars of sizes, Nails of sizes, Paints, Oil, Turpentine, Pitch, Coal and Swedish Tar, Beef, Pork, Ship and Cabin Bread, Coffee, Sugar, Tea, Coconut Oil, Vinegar, Spermin and Wax Candles, Butter, Cheese, and Bacon, Brandy, Rum, and Arrack in Casks, Beer in Wood and Bottle, Brandy and Gin in cases, Port, Sherry, Madeira, Claret, and Champagne, Flour, Grain, &c., &c., &c.
Victoria, 17th June, 1844.

FOR SALE,
ALLSOP'S Calcutta Bottled Beer, a small batch warranted in the finest order; Clarets, highly esteemed Lafitte, Chateau Margaux, Larose, Picheloux, and Hermitage, of the finest quality; Champagne, Johannis, Champagne Brandy, Madras Brown Sherry, and Cherry Cordial, all direct from first hands in Europe. Apply to
F. H. TIEDEMAN,
At the Stores of Messrs. Oswald, Dismant & Co.
Victoria, 8th June, 1844.

FOR SALE.—AT the Godowns of Messrs. Fox Rawson & Co., a quantity of Burton Ale in Hhds, from Worthington and Robinson, ex "**John Bibby**."
Hongkong, 27th March, 1844.

FOR SALE.
FINE CLARET, Chateaux, Lafitte, &c. \$ 8 0
per dozen
" Chateau Margaux per doz. 7 0
" " Léoville " 6 0
" " St. Julien Medoc " 4 50
" " Pauillac " 3 50
Fine White Wine Vinegar " 2 50
Beer Corks, per thousand " 3 50
Said Oil, superfine (thirty pint bottles) \$ 1 50
Perfumed Soap, one dozen " 1 50
Apply on board the French ship **Orient**, or to
N. BOULLE,
Queen's Road.
Victoria, 14th June, 1844.

N. BOULLE has and offers for sale the following choice assortment of articles, viz. —
Soups a la Julienne; Green Peas, in tins; Roast Veal dressed with Green Peas; Roast Mutton, Partridges, aux Olives; Woodcock, aux Trufes, Snipe, aux Trufes; Larks aux Choux; Sardines in large or small tins; and a variety of other kinds of French Preserved Meats. The above articles have just arrived and are in the best condition.
Queen's Road, Victoria, May 27, 1844.

FOR SALE.—At the Hotel of Mr. J. J. LOPES, viz. —
Fine Claret, Do. Port,
Do. Brandy, Do. Porter,
Do. Champagne, Do. Sherry,
Do. Cheese, Liqueurs,
Superior No. 3, Manila Cigars,
Do. No. 4 do do,
Do. Spermin Candles,
Do. Butter.
Victoria, 15th April, 1844.

JUST ARRIVED AND FOR SALE, at the Godowns of the undersigned—Belly Rice, Paddy, Dholl, Buffalo Hides, Coconut Oil, Cocoa-nuts, and Java Coffee, (of excellent quality).
Apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.
Victoria, 4th June 1844.

FOR SALE.—English Copper, 40, 25, & 20 oz. A 32 oz. Anchor, two Chain Cables, of 14 and 11 inch.
Apply to
JOHN BURD & CO.
Queen's Road, Victoria,
31st May.

FOR SALE.
PATENT BALANCES and Scales, weighing each, by
from three hundred to two thousand pounds each, by
P. TOWNSEND.
Also, Two Patent Copying Presses
Victoria, May 23rd, 1844.

SHEATHING Copper, 16 to 24 oz., with nails. Sheet Lead, &c.
At the Godowns of
HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co.
13 Queen's Road,
24th April, 1844.

FOR SALE.—The under Wines just received from Alexander Black London.
Fine old Pale and Brown Sherry.
Fine old Port.
Champagne.
HUGHESDON, CALDER & Co.
Victoria, 8th April, 1844.

RIPE PALE ALE.—The undersigned has just received a batch of really superior London Bottled Beer, and on sale at moderate prices.
JOHN SMITH.
Macao, 6th June, 1844.

JUST received by the undersigned. A few superior No. 3 Manila Cigarettes, of 1842 manufacture.
ROBERT LOWRIE.
Victoria, 2nd July, 1844.

BENGAL DIRECTORY FOR 1844
A FEW Copies of Scott & Co's Bengal Directories, for 1844, just received, on sale by
JOHN SMITH,
Macao, 24th June, 1844.

FOR SALE.
CLARET, \$5 and \$8. Red Burgundy, \$12; Red Hermitage, \$12; Sauterne, \$8; Hockheimer, \$10; Champagne, \$16; Port, \$8; Sherry, \$8; Cognac, \$8; Scheidtm, \$5 Canaco, \$15; Noyau, \$15; in cases of one, two, and three dozen each, from Messrs. Hemery Brothers, Jersey.
Apply at the Godowns of Holliday, Wise & Co.
to **JOHN RITSON.**

NOTICE.—The interest and responsibility of M. William R. Lejeu, and Mr. William Cooper, in our house have ceased; and Mr. Nathaniel Kinsman, Mr. William A. Lawrence, and M. William Moore, have been admitted partners therein, their interest commencing on the 1st February last.
Our Firm now consists of W. S. Wetmore, of New York; Samuel Wetmore, Junr., Nathaniel Kinsman, William A. Lawrence, and William Moore.
WETMORE & Co.
Canton, 15th March, 1844.

THE Copartnership existing between **DIXON, CAREW & 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, HEGGER & Co.**; and at Liverpool under the firm of **DIXON, DAVIDSON & Co.**
DIXON & Co.
Macao, 1st August, 1843.

NOTICE.
THE undersigned has this day disposed of his business to Mr. T. A. LANE. All persons indebted are seriously requested to liquidate their accounts to the 30th April as early as possible, to enable him to close his books, at which date his interest in the business ceased.
J. C. POWER.
Victoria, May 3, 1844.

ADVERTISEMENTS.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the business of the late Henry Pybus in China, (which has been temporarily carried on by John Mackey & Co.) will in future be conducted by the undersigned, who have associated themselves as Merchants and Agents, under the style of **MURROW & CO.**
DONALD C. MACKAY,
Y. J. MURROW.
Canton, 1st June, 1844.

ADVERTISEMENTS.
THE Undersigned do to notify that they have authorized **MR. JOHN LITTLE**, and **MR. CHARLES W. MURRAY**, to sign for their firm by proclamation in Hongkong and Macao.
MURROW & CO.
Canton, 1st June, 1844.

ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the Friend of China. (Diss—Sir—Society our excellent Governor will receive the warm approbation, of every right minded person in the Colony, for so manfully putting a stop to all Government work upon the Sabbath. This is as it should be. Long ago I made an attempt to induce one of the high Government functionaries to aid me in bringing to the notice of the Governor, Sir Henry Pottinger, some subject before Sir Henry Pottinger. He assured me that he sincerely desired to see something of the kind brought about, but remarked, that any such matters would meet with no favor from the Authorities, for there was not a man at Government House (the lamented Morrison excepted), who cared one fig about the Sabbath. Under such circumstances I of course took no steps, not wishing to throw pearls before swine. Happily we now have other rulers, and their acts speak for themselves. Now would it not be an interesting feature in the Character of the Governor, to resolve that they would henceforth attend some place of Christian worship at least once every Sabbath? Some of us make it a point to attend several times and at different places on each Sabbath. Why is it that in these ends of the earth we are constantly guilty of neglect and sin, at which our consciences would revolt were we our native lands, surrounded by our parents, our sisters, our brothers, and our friends? To this question, in view of a future Judgment, let conscience speak!

Yours &c. KNOX.

[We most decidedly dissent from the opinion expressed by our correspondent, that not a man about Government House—Mr. Morrison excepted—care a fig for the Sabbath day. His Excellency, Sir Henry Pottinger, was most regular in his attendance at the Colonial chapel, and so far as we can judge from outward appearance, with much earnestness took a part in the service. We have already stated our views as to the propriety or impropriety of a Government or individuals employing heathen labourers to work for them on Sundays, and we rejoice to see that our views upon this matter are similar to those entertained by His Excellency, the Governor. At the same time that we acknowledge the obligation, which we, and all professing Christians are under, not to employ those men upon the Sabbath, we cannot perceive that, apart from their receiving a day of rest—which is partly the humane intention of the Deity, in appointing one day for this purpose—the (the Chinese) will be one whit better, or worse than they now are. The Government has done its duty and vindicated the character of the colony, as being a Christian colony; but the ulterior benefits which may arise from this measure are beyond the control and unknown to man. We notice our esteemed Correspondent's letter, especially, as from our having introduced this subject some time ago, it may be supposed that Knox and ourselves are of one mind on the subject—which in point of fact we are, with this difference, that we do not concur in his opinion of the religious clinging of all the members of the late government. However the religious sentiments of our neighbours are not a fit subject for newspaper discussion, we therefore leave the matter, which is one of great delicacy upon which we are also fitted to judge—at least to judge uncharitably.—Error For.]



SIGNOR DALLE CASSE.

HAS the honor to announce to the Country and inhabitants of this Colony, that the third performance of the FORTIN COMEANS under his management will take place on SATURDAY next, the 6th instant. Signora ANNA having quite recovered from her late indisposition will perform, and Signor Dalle Casse is sure that (with the preparations he has already taken) the performance will meet with the approbation of the public, and tend to give that satisfaction, which it was his intention the first performance should have done. By the kind permission of the Officers of the 4th M.N.L., their hand will be in attendance. The Entertainments will be arranged in the following manner:—

ACT I. NO. 1.

SIGNORINA EMELIA, a young lady twelve years old, will execute on the Tight Rope a dance of surpassing elegance and difficulty, interspersed with a variety of attitudes and leaps, calculated to excite the wonder of the audience.

ACT II.

SIGNORINA ANNA will execute a Gracesque Dance on the Tight Rope, with various feats of agility, and will terminate by the Chair Equilibrium, which has been deemed the *ne plus ultra* of Gymnastic power.

ACT III.

Athletic Exercises by SIGNOR DALLE CASSE.

The exercise of the Roman Chair in which, his feet resting on a chair, he will bend his body over the back of the chair until his head touches the ground, and then, without altering the position of his feet, he will seize an iron bar, weighing one hundred and thirty pounds, and nine feet long, and brandish it while recovering his original posture.

NO. 11.

The feat termed that of "The Iron Foot on the Flaxed Pillar," in which

SIGNOR DALLE CASSE.

will maintain his body in a horizontal position, having merely his feet to depend on for support, and in this difficult position, he will support your MEN.

NO. 12.

Horizontal posture of the Olympic or Revolving Pillar, in which surprisingly difficult position, he will seize and carry off a man, who, from the velocity of the motion, will also be brought *volens* *ensens* into the predicament of *Don Quixote* (when bestrucked the Windmill).

NO. IV. The posture called that of "The Iron Arm," on the Olympic or Revolving Pillar, in which he will keep a horizontal position by the mere grasp of his hands and muscular tension.

NO. V.

"The Flight of Mercury," when with merely his left foot locked in the Revolving Pillar, Signor Dalle Casse will swing round with immense rapidity, snatching up, while in motion, a man, whom he will be round with him.

ACT III.

The celebrated "Dog, Munito," after exciting the surprise and admiration of Europe, America, New South Wales, and several settlements in the East, by his superior intelligence and sagacity, will exhibit for the first time his incredible powers.

NO. 6.

From a list of the hundred and fifty words, in the French, English, Portuguese, Spanish, Italian, German, Latin, and Greek Languages, copies of which will be distributed, he will spell any word correctly, and translate them at the desire of any of the audience—he will also copy any word written by any of the audience on a board, which will be handed for that purpose.

NO. 11.

He will play at *Dominoes* with any gentleman, who will, moreover, be permitted to use his own set of *Dominoes* on this occasion.

NO. 12.

Munro will select, display, and wavo any National Flag, without the least hesitation, at the request of any lady or gentleman of the audience.

ACT IV.

THE YONGE BRAZILIAN will execute an immense variety of *Somersets*, *Leaps*, and every other Gymnastic achievement, which Signor Dalle Casse feels assured will afford the highest gratification to the audience.

Tickets may be had at the office of the "Friend of China," and at the "Victoria Theatre," from 12 to 4 p. m. daily.

NOTICE.

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

The Friend of China is regularly filed in London, by Mr. P. L. Simmonds, Agent for the Colonial papers, British and Foreign Newspapers and all printing agency office, 18 Cornhill (opposite the Royal Exchange), who will receive any communications, orders and advertisements.

LATEST DATES.

Table with columns for location (ENGLAND, UNITED STATES, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, SYDNEY) and dates (Apr. 7, Feb. 11, May, May 13, April 12) and agents (SINGAPORE, JAVA, MALACCA, CHUSAN, SHANGHAI, AMOY) and dates (June 18, June 16, June 18, June 8, June 7).

THE FRIEND OF CHINA, AND HONGKONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA, SATURDAY, JULY 6th, 1844.

We understand the treaty entered into between His Excellency Mr. Cushing, on behalf of the United States, and Keying, on behalf of the Chinese government, has been signed by the respective representatives of the two countries. The particulars we are not acquainted with, but we presume they will be essentially the same as those arranged by Sir Henry Pottinger and Keying, and embodied in the treaty and Supplementary treaty. It is rumoured that Mr. Cushing will visit Peking previous to his return to America.

Her Majesty's ship *Castor*, Captain Grahame, will leave this port for Chusan on the 10th. The *Castor* will probably be kept for some time on that station, which from its contiguity to Ningpo and Shanghai, is the most favorable position on the coast for a vessel of war, if only one is to be allotted for the protection of British subjects north of Amoy.

CANTON.

Our Correspondent writes of the date 2nd. Instant. Thanks to Mr. Forbes, the American Consul, and the presence of a party of marines from the United States ship *St. Louis*, the disturbances are quelled for the present. The British community strongly express their obligation to Mr. Forbes, the Captain of the *St. Louis*, and his crew, to whose energy and timely aid they, with all the other foreigners in Canton, were probably saved from scenes of plunder and riot, if not of bloodshed. The American marines return to Whampoa on the 4th—the anniversary of the independence of the Republic, and it is rumoured there will be another outbreak by the rabble on the 6th. They are evidently in a state of excitement, inflammatory chops circulating among them, and it is feared they are banding themselves for a systematic attack.

On Monday, a preliminary meeting was held at the Consulate, to re-consider the proposed plans for building upon the ground leased by Her Majesty's plenipotentiary from the Chinese government. Nothing was definitely settled; but it is believed the original plan will be modified to meet the requirements of the community. Government will not build a Consular house, but rent one, until instructions are received from home. Messrs. Shelley and Pope attended the meeting, on behalf of Government, and the straightforward candid and business like manner in which they conducted themselves gave much satisfaction; and contrasted

with the shuffling, unsatisfactory, and vacillating manner of the Surveyor General, the impression made upon those present was highly favorable to Mr. Shelley and his conductor.

The heavy rains have caused the river to overflow its banks and completely inundated Canton and the surrounding country; so great a flood has not been known for ten years; in many places it has swept away the embankments destroying much property, lives also having been sacrificed to its fury. The rice crop along the banks of the river is nearly destroyed; inland the crop is large and good. The Canton raw silk has also been injured, and will fall short of the quantity brought forward last year, the quality also being inferior. Owing to the flood all communication is cut off, except by boats; and business is consequently very dull, in the factories and packhouses, in some instances, there is four feet water on the ground floor, and we hear that cotton to some extent has been damaged in store, the ground tiers being saturated with water.

THE COAST.

From Chusan our Correspondent writes of the 18th ultimo. There is a revival of trade, the dullness noticed in his letter of the 7th being nearly temporary, and woollen goods are now in some demand, also cotton fabrics and Straits produce. We regret to hear that the bonded warehouse system to which we alluded some months ago, and which it was then confidently expected would be carried through, has proved a failure. Keying opposed the plan, and his influence was sufficiently strong to render all negotiations abortive. In the meantime therefore the matter is at rest. At Shanghai several merchants have rented portions of land near the consulate on which they intend to build houses and stores—the land rent is extremely moderate. The *Helena Stone* had nearly completed her cargo of teas and would sail from Shanghai for London direct, being the first foreign ship that has loaded from the port for Europe.

Our quotations of prices current refers more especially to the port of Shanghai, but with a very slight variation will also apply to Ningpo and Chusan.

IMPORTS.

Long Ells, in fair demand, good assorteds still selling freely at \$9. Spanish *Sorpes* are also saleable at \$1.50; Camlets good assortment, at \$30; and Habit cloth, in small parcels, at paying prices. *Gray Shirtings* are much wanted, quotations \$3.50 a 3/8. *White Shirtings*, also in request, at \$3.80 a 4/5. *Chintz* \$3, dull of sale with large stocks. Lead still wanted, the supplies not being equal to the demand, quotations 25.50 a 5/70. Iron, rod \$3, bar \$2.60, saleable. *Rattans*, scarce, sellings at \$5; *Pepper* quite saleable at \$6. *Belches de mer*, if good, \$20. *Toory*, large, \$100. *Cochineal* \$80. *Manilla Hemp* \$4.50, in little request. Liquid Indigo \$6.50 for limited quantities. These quotations are all duty paid. Opium has been sold to some extent at *Padua* \$700 and *Malua*, really good \$800. Mention is made of some sales at higher rates, and it was anticipated that instructions would soon be received to advance the price to \$850 or 900. Nine opium vessels were laying outside the port of Shanghai, perfectly undisturbed; the amount of sycee given in exchange for the drug at this port is rated at \$500,000 per month. No attempts are made by foreigners to carry the drug inside the port, but the natives do so with perfect impunity.

EXCISES.

Teas. Good common Congous can be purchased to some extent at Taels 11 a 12. It is anticipated that a large portion of the new crop will be brought forward for sale at Shanghai and Ningpo this season. *Silk*, quoted at \$450 to 460. The crop will be large and the quality good, while prices, it is expected will rule lower than last season. *Howqua* has entered into large contracts for raw silk, intended for the Canton market. *Rhubarb*. A good sample, consisting of 500 piculs is offered at Taels 19. Inferior quality something less. *Alum*, purchases at \$1.20.

We were decidedly wrong in some of our remarks a few weeks ago, upon the land office—we make the *anende honorable*, and confess most penitentially, that the Surveyor General, or his assistant does know something of surveying and mapping—we have seen a plan of the town of Victoria, the fruits of eighteen months labour, and a very pretty plan it is too; streets are laid out with the most mathematical precision, the water courses are curbed between sober banks; the roads and streets, which are so ingeniously traced upon the paper, are of course supposed to be in good order; and altogether, were a stranger to see the plan of Victoria, he would be inclined to think it a very decent place. We acknowledge this plan does great credit to the imagination of the gentleman by whom it was designed; and it is only to be regretted that there is such a wide difference between the real and the ideal town of Victoria. Taken from the picture to the original, and he barely and regularly we behold the most dismal deformity, the street—for there are no streets—straight, or follows the for *houses* of the shores with a graceful curve, in the original is seen rugged and broken, one building protruding its presence upon the *Queen's* high way, while another is drawn back a few paces, leaving a narrow space some few feet deep between

of the buildings, which, in a dark night, is admirably adapted for a man trap. But the other streets of the picture where are they? Echo answers where? They are the poetical creations of the imaginative draftsman, for anything approaching to the appearance of those streets which in the original are laid down parallel with the Queen's road, would defy the industrious search of the most inquisitive. We see ravines, with intervening ridges, covered with huge stones and rocks, making an approach to them somewhat difficult—but streets or roads none; we see a few Bungalows raising their heads upon these ridges, but how their occupants will find access to them it is difficult to perceive; some of them will possibly be in the predicament of the Mammoth steam ship at Bristol, after building her in a dock, they have discovered there is no getting her out, the difference between the ship and the said Bungalows, is that in the latter case after being built there will be no getting to them. From the water, the eye is particularly struck with the incongruity of the town, as it now exists—we do not behold squares in morasses, obelisks in bogs" but we behold what is equally absurd, people building houses nominally on streets, where no man would risk his limbs by approaching after dark—which is quite inaccessible to any vehicle or the foot of a quadruped less firm than a mule.

So far as we can ascertain, bad as affairs are, there is no probability of there being ameliorated. It is impossible for those who purchase an allotment from Government at a high rate to be at the expense of cutting a road to their house; this, in a widely scattered town, would be too expensive for any individual to attempt. At the land sale, of course, there was nothing said about this, or anything else, except the price; but if a man purchases a lot of ground upon a certain street, which he sees laid down upon a government map, he is assuredly entitled to insist upon government keeping faith with him, and making that street; this is essentially a part of the bargain; if not specified it is implied, and until the street is made upon which property was purchased, we do not think that purchasers are equitably bound to pay one farthing of ground rent.

The present Secretary for the colonies is quite notorious for the liberal view he takes of the suppositious value of public property, and the many stringent regulations under which he causes it to be brought forward for sale. His Lordship by raising the minimum price of land from 6s. to 12s. per acre, was mainly instrumental in destroying the Australasian colonies and ruining hundreds of industrious colonists—in one year the proceeds of the land sales in New South Wales was reduced from £300,000 to £10,000; the sudden withdrawal of that large sum from the resources of the colony causing incalculable mischief. We are well aware that this, being a commercial colony, its prosperity will not be materially affected by the liberality of H. M. S. Government, now that nearly all the British merchants in China have built stores and dwelling houses on the island. To some extent, however, the increase of the town is retarded, not so much by the high price of land, as from the fact that after purchasing allotments you cannot build upon them, from the want of access, or from the utter impossibility of getting your ground lined out; the great inconvenience which strangers experience from the positive impossibility of getting a house to rent, is solely caused by the neglect on the part of government, as there are many capitalists in the colony anxious for opportunities to invest in house property.

It would be some satisfaction to know that there was even a distant prospect of government bestirring themselves, and making the streets which they have planned; but we fear this important particular in laying out and building up a town, has not been taken into calculation at all. If the prices at which land is sold is not considered sufficient to cover the expenses of making streets, the better plan would be for government to disburse, in the first place, and levy an assessment upon house rent to keep the streets in a proper state of repair, and pay an annual interest for the funds thus expended. It is evident that something must be done; unless satisfied with the rude attempts at engineering exhibited on the Queen's road, it has been determined to leave the rest to individuals. Were we in the position of an incorporated town, there would be no difficulty whatever; the municipal authorities could readily borrow what funds were necessary, and assess the inhabitants to provide for the interest. Now, however, we are in the unenviable position of having neither civil magistrates, with power to attend to the requirements of the colony, nor independent members of the Legislative Council, to impress upon government the importance of having the town laid out in accordance with the plans by which we have been induced to purchase ground, which if properly attended to, will yield a large income to the colony, probably not less than \$40,000 per annum. We do not speak of elective members of the Council, but members chosen by His Excellency from among the more respectable classes of the community, men who in addition to extensive information, and an earnest desire to benefit the colony, have also a personal interest in its welfare, and are intimately acquainted with its necessities. We do not object to any of the members of Council, but we think the inhabitants of Hong Kong have some reason to complain, that out of the 12 members of the Legislative Council, not one has been offered a seat in the Legislative Council—this is an anomaly

In a British Colony, and to us perfectly incomprehensible. Whether the Legislature have in their power to raise the necessary funds for public improvements...

We have great confidence in His Excellency's good feelings towards the colony, and his earnest desire to protect the rights of the colonists...

We are well aware of the advantages which Hongkong enjoys as a free port, and that for that privilege we are taxed a little heavily...

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED.

- July 3. - Starling, Adamson, Macao.
- Syd Khan, Bird, Macao.
- Ardaseer, McIntyre, Macao.

SAILED.

- 3. - Sydney, Scholefield, Whampoa.
- Annie, Potter, Sydney.
- Guess, Perkins, Amoy.

UNDER DESPATCH.

- Passione, for Amoy.
- Elvira, for Whampoa.
- Syph, for Calcutta.

REPORTS.

The Ariel spoke of "William Hughes" off Chapel Island bound to Chusan all well; Poppy off Chusan all well.

VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR.

- South Stockton, W. T. Gemmill & Co.
Starling, 100, Adamson, Adams.
Ardaseer, 422, McIntyre, Macvicar & Co.

H.M.S. SHIPS.

- Agincourt, 72, Rear Admiral Sir Thomas Cochrane.
H.M.S. Cayster, Captain Graham.
H.M.S. Pelican, 16, Commander Justice.

- Starling, Adamson, C. W. Bowra.
Ormen (Dan), 200, Franklyn, N. Duns.
Maslen, 247, Phillips, D. Burjorje.

- John Brightman, 404, Viall, D. and M. Rustomjee.
Ernaad, Field, Gibb Livingston & Co.
Coxsar, Fraser, Rustomjee & Co.

FOR CHUSAN, NINGPO, AND SHANGHAI

THE fine schooner ALLIGATOR Captain Cook, having the greatest draft...

SIGNOR DALLE CASSE'S performance will take place this evening, when the entertainments will be varied from those of last week.

A SPLENDID four-wheeled Carriage, with Harness complete, the property of the Hon Major-General P. Agillar.

DR. Morrison's Chinese and English Dictionary complete in 6 vols. Entirely new.

CHARLES WEISS, Chronometer and Watchmaker, from Geneva and London.

WANTED, a good Pony, or an Arabian would not be objected to.

MESSRS HODGES & HANSEN have for sale the undermentioned articles.

ON MONDAY next, P. Townsend will sell by Auction, by order of the Administrators, all the effects of the late Doctor Satchell.

ON MONDAY 16th instant, will be sold by the undersigned at the Godowns of Messrs. Lindsay & Co.

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MESSRS BELLIER & BRESS-MAIRE, has received a splendid assortment of Artificial Flowers and Ribbons...

MESSRS HODGES & HANSEN have for sale the undermentioned goods.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Tenders will be received at this office until Saturday the 6th July inclusive.

THE undersigned have on sale the following Goods - Viz. Old Port Sherry.

JUST Received ex City of Derry, and now open at Mr. Lowry's Store, corner of Magistrate street.

MR. Joseph Gibbons Livingston, Mr. John Skinner, and Mr. Thomas Jones are admitted Partners in our Firm from this date.

TO MERCHANTS, SHIPPERS, AND COLONISTS. H. J. & D. NICOLL, Outfitters, Tailors, &c.

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PREIGHT TO AMOY AND CHUSAN. NOTICE is hereby given that Tenders will be received at this office, until Saturday the 6th July inclusive.

NOTICE. AFTER the 30th instant, the firm of JOHN BURD & Co. here, and in Bali Baud (Hall), will be known in China and Bali as BURD, LANGE & Co.

THE Best price given for Good American FLOUR. Apply to D. HUME, No. 2, Oswald's Row, Victoria, June 21.

ADVERTISEMENTS. ALL accounts against MR. FRANCIS DICKENS to be presented without delay to John St. George, to arrange the payment thereof.

DR. RICHARD JONES has removed from Magistrate-street to the house occupied by Mr. James Welch, Chemist and Druggist.

WHAMPOA HOSPITAL. FOR the greater convenience of Vessels lying in the Whampoa and Blenheim reaches, the Hospital Vessel is moored off the Bombay Creek.

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.

LATFEY & CO. Chronometer and Watch Makers. Upper part of Mr. Pain's new store, Queen's Road, opposite to Chiama's Hong.

GLOBE INSURANCE OFFICE OF CALCUTTA. THE undersigned having been appointed Agent in China for the above office, is ready to grant Policies payable in London, Calcutta, Bombay and China.

PHENIX MARINE-INSURANCE COMPANY OF CALCUTTA. THE undersigned continues to issue Policies for the above Company, payable in London, Bombay, Calcutta and China.

TO LET. THE Spacious Bungalow lately occupied by the Officers of the 41st M.N.I., on Oswald's Hill. The House has been put into complete repair, and immediate possession can be given.

TO LET. GRANITE GODOWNS, in a central situation, adjacent to the water, lofty and well ventilated, and a stone pier projecting therefrom to the sea.

WANTED - Army or Navy Bill on England. Apply to PHILLIPS, MOORE & CO., 19 Queen's Road.

PIANO FORTE FOR SALE. JUST imported, a 5 octaves Cottage Piano, by Kirkman & Son, 50, Abchurch Lane, London.

JUST RECEIVED AND FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED. A LARGE Assortment of Stationery, of London, Journals, Day Books, and other Books, of various sizes, also a few new Books, Pocket-books, Copy-books, Large Thick Lead, and Extra Large Bank Paper, and other Papers, &c. &c.

PHILLIPS, MOORE & CO., 19 Queen's Road, Victoria, 29th June, 1844.

STATEMENT OF EXPORTS AT SHANGHAI FROM 16TH NOVEMBER TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1894.

Table listing various export goods such as Cotton Long Cloths, Dyed Cottons, Woollens, and Wines, with their respective quantities and values.

Table listing RE-EXPORTED goods including Long Cloths, Gray Twilled Cottons, and various types of Wines and Spirits.

Table listing EXPORTS and DUTIES PAID, including Tea, Silk, Gypsum, and various other commodities.

Table listing VESSELS ENTERED INWARDS, including ship names like Elizabeth Queen, Laberland, and Louis Campbell.

STATEMENT OF EXPORTS AT SHANGHAI FOR THE QUARTER, ENDING, 31ST MARCH 1894.

Table listing quarterly export statistics for goods like Cotton, Dyed Cottons, Woollens, and various other commodities.

Table listing RE-EXPORTED goods such as Timber, Broad Cloths, Chinaz, and various other items.

Table listing ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, including ship names like Frankland, Wandoror, and Osmrey.

COLONIAL POLICY OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

By R. MONTGOMERY MARTIN, Esq. (Continued from No. 145.) The board consists of a president, who is a cabinet minister, and should comprise some unpaid and paid commissioners, members of the privy council, appointed by His Majesty...

is not indisputable, and has been recently exercised when a colonial assembly (as at Jamaica,) refused to pass a law which the Imperial Parliament deemed requisite. With regard to the power of the Imperial Parliament to interfere in the internal taxation of a colony, it should be observed that the doubt could only arise in reference to those colonies which have representative assemblies; it did not abandon the right, but merely declared that the Parliament will not exercise the right of internal taxation upon the colonies...

The authority of the crown over the colonies is almost nominal, it is, in fact, a legal fiction, for the responsibility resting not with the King, but with His Majesty's official and confidential advisers, all acts, appointments, promotions, &c. emanate from the colonial secretary, in the King's name. It is true that the King may not only exercise a veto on any act or appointment, but may also nominate those whom he pleases to office. I am not aware, however, that such sovereign power has been recently assumed. The King in Council has a control over the enactments of the colonial assemblies after the following manner:—Local acts of legislation, when received from a colony, are transmitted by the secretary of state for the colonies, to the lord president, in order to their being laid before the King in Council; they are then referred to a committee of the privy council, who make a report on the same for the assistance of His Majesty in deciding upon the act or acts, first hearing, if required, parties objecting to the confirmation of particular laws. On the King's sanction being given in Council, an order is then transmitted to the Colonial Office to be transmitted in turn to the colony.

With the foregoing data for a guide, we may now proceed to consider the subject of colonial government in a general point of view, and to examine the working of the present system.

A nation possessed of colonies may be compared to a mother with children, particularly as regards settlements which have been founded by the parent state; the greatest care is required in their infancy as they grow in strength, a certain degree of control is necessary, which should be relaxed as maturity approaches, until mutual interests and affections be substituted for maternal control and authority.

With individuals, the perpetuation of their species is one, if not the most essential, of their duties; with kingdoms their permanence ought to be paramount; children with the one, and colonies with the other, are the means by which such results are arrived at: the foundation or acquisition of colonial settlements is, therefore, a desideratum to all nations.

But to an insulated kingdom, like England, colonies are of vital importance, especially if, whatever means may be devised for extending and preserving them, is a public advantage, and deserving of every attention which can be bestowed on a subject fraught with consequences of the highest importance.

The most obvious link of connection between a parent and a child, or between a nation and its colony, is that of government: its efficacy, to a certain extent, is admitted; but unless affection and individual interest be superadded to that of authority, the control of the latter will not be long binding, and all laws and circumstances must daily weaken its permanence.

There are ties between a mother and her child which, in most instances, cannot be totally eradicated; it is the same with a kingdom and its colonies, and wisdom, worldly prudence, and Christianity, indicate the course to be pursued to render those ties enduring and advantageous to both.

When a child has grown up to man's estate, the feelings of consanguinity are, to a certain extent, weakened, especially if the child be far removed from its parent, and subject to a distant, imperfect, irregularly exercised, and too often harsh or capricious control. Under such circumstances, it requires but time to estrange almost completely the offspring from paternal influence, even before it be trained for self government.

Thus also it is with a colony; and hence we see that under our present defective system of colonial government, there is a continual series of disputes with the distant settlements, weakening the natural ties that bind them to the mother country, and causing (as was the case with the United States) them to go to England for their finest possessions, as soon as they become most valuable.

Table listing CANTON PRICES CURRENT, including various goods like Ale, Amber, and Cotton Goods.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Lead Pig, Quicksilver, OPIUM, and various types of Pepper and Rice.

Table listing EXPORTS—ON BOARD, including Alum, Anniseed, Camphor, Cassia, and various other commodities.

STATEMENT OF TEA EXPORTED FROM CHINA TO GREAT BRITAIN, BETWEEN 1ST JULY, 1893, AND 30TH JUNE, 1894, IN 95 SHIPPS.

Table listing tea export statistics for various ports like Canton, Souchong, and Peking.

Commencing with the Opium, and ending with the Greenian. Total, 50,213,744

LOADING BRIDGES, full, London

Table listing shipping agents and their addresses, including Mary Bannatine, full, London and Lady Amherst.

Tip—Since our last notice of the New Orange Pekoe, we regret to say that we were wrong in supposing that foreign demand had slackened from purchasing until the rates demanded by the tea men here were more moderate, and offered some prospect of at least meeting an exchange. We were wrong; those rates, which are inferior to last year, have been settled at from 31 to 34, whereas the finest chops of last season were bought at 28 on board. It is said that an absurd contract, so thin that it scarcely covers the cost, has drawn up the plain ones, the contractor being the first to open the market for plain. The stock of scented orange pekoe at home was very much reduced; as, however, we have not met considerably above a million lbs., the average consumption being about 7 to 8,000,000 lbs., and with a certainty of a large quantity being made under the impression of obtaining rates similar to that of Mr. Mor's contract, we think that at an extraordinary price, had not at home, this tea is likely to be cheaper than it has been for some years past.

COTTON REPORT

Table listing cotton market statistics, including American bales, Bombay, and various other items.

PRICES OF BULLION. Sycee Silver, large, 3 per cent. premium. " small, 1 to 2 ditto. Spanish Dollars, Ferdinand, per Centavo, 3 per cent. for selected. Republican ditto, 3 to 4 per cent. discount. Vespucio.

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London at 6 months sight, 4s. 4d. H.M. Plenipotentiary on the Banggai (Java), Treasury closed. Court of Directors accepted on 30th day, have been offered at 245 per 100. Dividend of 50s. FRIEDRICH. To London or Liverpool, 24 per cent. of 80s. To Out-ports, 10s. per cent. additional.