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Victoria, 8th June, 1844.

FOR SALE.—At the office of this paper. Commodore's cheque books. Ship's Articles, with an extract of the merchant's name not endorsed on the back. Charter-parties, after form by Chilly. Powers of Attorney, after form by Chilly. Bills of Lading. Chinese Tariff of Imports and exports. For printing houses.

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N. DUUS.
Hongkong, March, 20th 1844.

FOR SALE.—Chain Cables, from 1 to 1 inch, and Anchors from 1 to 20 cwt.
Apply to
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FOR SALE.—Manilla Rum and Java Arrack in Casks of all sizes, Brandy in Hogsheads, Sherry in Butts, Hides. Gr. 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.
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N. DUUS,
18, Queen's Road.
Victoria, June 25, 1844.

NOTICE.—The undersigned is authorized by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief of H. Majesty's Land Forces in China, to receive all packages addressed to the Officers of Messes of any of the Regiments employed during this late war.
N. DUUS.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1843

NOTICE.—Goods and merchandise of all descriptions received and carefully stored in spacious airy and secure Brick Godowns situated 18, and 56 Queens Road upon moderate terms. Goods placed [except combustibles] in Godown 18, Queen's Road can be insured from risk of Fire, apply to
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Goods received and sold on Commission.
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and
General Store Warehouse.

EX "CITY OF DERRY,"
LARGE and Choice assortment of Chinaman's Stores, Prime Westmoreland Hams, Cheeses, and Smoked Bacon, Hardware, Ironmongery, Fowling-pieces, Saddlery, Gig and Phaeton Harness, Buckskin Trowser Patterns, Stationary, a quantity of superior London Bottled Ale and Porter, and a splendid four-wheeled Phaeton.
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FOR SALE.—At the Godown of Messrs. Fox Watson & Co., a quantity of Brandy Ale in Hhls. from Worthington and Robinson, ex "John Bibby."
N. DUUS,
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FOR SALE.
CLARET, \$6 and \$9. Red Burgundy, \$12; Red Hermitage, \$12; Sauterne, \$3; Hockheimer, \$10; Champagne, \$10; Port, \$9; Sherry, \$9; Cognac, \$8; Schablan, \$5; Curacao, \$15; Noyau, \$10; in sizes of one, two, and three dozen each, from Messrs. Henry Brothers Jersey.
Apply at the Godown of Holliday, Wils & Co.,
JOHN RITON.

FRESH Salmon Trout ex "Old England," of two and four pounds, warranted fresh, for sale by
DICKSON & Co.
July 10th, 1844.

FOR SALE.
A FEW fine Gull-quill Hens; a superior article for summer wear.
P. TOWNSEND.

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

FOR SALE.—At the office of the undersigned, a quantity of New Cables, Glass Paper, by Broadwood & Sons of Glasgow, and other articles of superior quality. For particulars apply to
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Queen's Road.

FOR SALE.—Pale and Brown Sherry
E. L. MADORA
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.

FOR SALE.—At the Hotel of Mr. J. J. LOPEZ, viz:
Fine Claret, Do. Port,
Do. Brandy, Do. Porter,
Do. Champagne, Do. Sherry,
Do. Cheese, Liqueurs,
Superior No. 8, Manilla Cigars,
Do. No. 4, do.
Do. Sperm Candles,
Do. Butter.
Victoria, 10th April, 1844.

JUST ARRIVED AND FOR SALE. at the Godowns of the undersigned—Bally Rice, Paddy, Dholl, Buffaloes' Hides, Coconut Oil, Copacoutu, and Java Coffee, (of excellent quality) Apply to
BURD, LANGE & Co.
Victoria, 4th, June 1844.

FOR SALE.—English Copper, 20, 22, & 26 oz. A 32 cwt. Anchor, two Chain Cables, of 1 1/2 and 1 1/4 inch.
Apply to
BURD, LANGE & Co.
Queen's Road, Victoria,
31st May.

FOR SALE.
PATENT BALANCES and Scales, weighing from three hundred to two thousand pounds each, by
P. TOWNSEND.
Also, Two Patent Copying Presses.
Victoria, May 24th, 1844.

SHEATHING Copper, 16 to 24 oz., with nails. Sheet Lead, &c. &c.
At the Godowns of
HENRY HUMPHREYS & Co.
18 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.

JUST RECEIVED by the undersigned. A few superior No. 3 Manilla Cereoids, of 1843 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,
or to
P. TOWNSEND,
Victoria,
Macao, 24th June, 1844.

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 Wharves in Harbour, and will be anchored off the wharf of Mr. N. Davis.
Apply on board at the Godown
Cook & Delivery.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1844.

FOR SALE.
ALLSOP'S Calcutta bottled East, a small batch. A Parcel in the above order. Claret highly commended. Laitie, Chateau Margaux, &c. Fine Champagne and Champagne of the quality Champagne. Champagne Brandy, Madras Brandy Sherry, and Cherry Cordial; all stored from first made in Europe. A small parcel of English Glass packed in 1843 just landed from the City of Lyons. Also Mr. Davis's superior Manilla Cables. Just received. Apply to
P. TOWNSEND,
Victoria, 10th July, 1844.

FOR SALE.
NEW American Belton, just landed, direct from the United States.
Apply at the Godown of
HEER HALSTED & Co.
Victoria, 17th July, 1844.

CONTRACTS FOR BUILDINGS.
Notice is hereby given that Tenders will be received at the office until the 20th instant, inclusive from such persons as may be willing to contract for erecting the unmentioned buildings, viz:
1. Officers' Quarters and Outbuildings on the South side of the road in front of the North Barracks.
2. An Officer's House on the Hill above the Canton Bazaar.
Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Commanding, Royal, and Superintending Engineer, between the hours of 10 and 3, where information may also be obtained of the materials which will be supplied from the Engineer stores; but no party need apply who is not prepared to give sufficient security for the due completion of the services undertaken.
E. PINE COFFIN, C. G.
Commissionariat, China,
Victoria, 10th July, 1844.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
TO THE CREDITORS OF THE KINGDA HONO. WITH reference to the Government Notification dated 17th June, ultimo, it is hereby notified that in consequence of the absence of the Commissary General on duty at Canton, the payment of the Interest due to the Creditors of the above Insolvent Hong, duly registered in the Consop End Books, is deferred until the 20th instant, when his return may be expected, or the payments made on his behalf by the Undersigned.
By Command
of His Excellency His Majesty's Plenipotentiary,
LEONGE BATH,
Deputy Assistant Commissary General,
Commissary General's Office,
Victoria, 22nd July, 1844.

JUST RECEIVED ex City of Derry, and now open at Mr. Lowrie's Store, corner of Magistrate's street, Salon Reading Lamps
Do. House do.
Do. Queen's pattern Lamps
Do. do. hakered do.
Patent ever feeding Candlesticks
Ladies and Gents' Cotton Hose and Socks
Do. do. Cotton Thread and Silk Gloves
Lambes wool and Cotton Hosiery, Vests and Drawers
Ladies silk and thread Mitts
India rubber Biscuits and Pantalon straps
English Silk and Gingham Umbrellas
Check and Striped Muslin Dress patterns
Scent bottles of a variety of patterns
Flemish inkstand
Kerseymora, Broad Cloth, Ladies' Habit Cloth, and Doeklin of all colours
Check white and coloured Table Covers
Valencia for children's clothing
Stationary of all kinds
Sets of Maender's works
Almanacs
Dressing Cases, fitted complete with Tooth, Nail and Hair Brushes, Razors, Scissors,
Fancy Soaps, Sets of Table Cutlery, Scissors, And numerous other articles.
Victoria, July 3d, 1844.

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

THE Partnership existing between Dixon, Carter & Co., at Bombay, Dirmo, Rens, Kour & Co., at Liverpool, and ourselves in China, having expired by its own limitation on the 1st 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, Hurter & Co., and at Liverpool under the firm of Dixon, Davidson & Co.
DIRMOM & Co.
Macao, 31st August, 1843.

ADVERTISEMENT.
NOTICE is hereby given that the business of the late Messy Poy in China, which has been temporarily carried on by John Mackay & Co., will in future be conducted by the undersigned, who have associated themselves as Messrs. Mackay & Co., and at Liverpool under the style of Mackay & Co.
DONALD C. MACKAY,
J. J. MURROW.
Canton, 1st June, 1844.

WANTED.—Army of New Bills on England.
Apply to
PHILLIPS, MOORE & CO.
16 Queen's Road.

ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the Friend of China.)

Sir,—Amongst other letters procured from the Post-Office at Hongkong, on the 10th instant, by my Agents there, who send a cable letter every day with a book, were four letters respectively bearing the Hongkong Post Mark of the 17th and 26th of May, and 21st and 23rd of June.

Such negligence on the part of an official, who would be vexed with a speedy despatch and it ought not seem to be allowed to pass over with impunity.

I shall be obliged by some allusion to the above in your valuable publication, but do not wish my name to be made public.—Yours truly,

A SUBSCRIBER.

It is unnecessary to make any comments upon the above statement speaks for itself, and many others equally pertinent are almost daily brought to our notice. Sooner or later this trifling with the interests of a great commercial community must be stopped.—Ed. F. or G.

Hour of Day	Baromet. (Baromet. at Sea Level)	Thermom. (Max. Min.)	Wind	Weather
1	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
2	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
3	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
4	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
5	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
6	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
7	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
8	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
9	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
10	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
11	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
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13	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
14	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
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17	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
18	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
19	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
20	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy
21	30.0	78.0	SE	Cloudy

NOTICE.

Parties sending 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 evening previous to publication, viz. Tuesday and Friday.

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LATEST DATES.

ENGLAND	May 6	SINGAPORE	July 8
UNITED STATES	Feb. 11	JAVA	June 10
CALCUTTA	June 14	MANILA	June 18
BOMBAY	June 15	CYPRUS	June 23
SINGAPORE	May 4	SHANGHAI	June 18
		AMOY	

THE FRIEND OF CHINA, AND HONGKONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA, WEDNESDAY, JULY 26th, 1844.

Our readers will observe by the Notification, which we copy from the Government paper, that a change has taken place in the management of the Post-office. Mr. Spring, who succeeds Mr. Scoble, was also his predecessor in office, and during the time he held the appointment, gave much satisfaction, from his regularity, attention and civility. It is to be hoped that, the appointment made by His Excellency will be confirmed by Her Majesty's Government, as there is no doubt they will secure the services of a Gentleman perfectly fitted for the office.

The Officers of the 4th M. N. J., have politely arranged that, their band will play on the evenings of Tuesday and Friday, on the ground at the foot of the Marine Magistrate's office.

The proposed and almost immediate reduction in the duties on Foreign grown Sugar, the produce of free labour, is a very unexpected measure, but one that will have much influence on the trade of Great Britain with foreign possessions east of the Cape. The heavy duty which has heretofore been levied upon all foreign grown Sugar, appears not to have benefited our own colonies, and has checked the consumption of this nutritious article of diet; also, we are convinced, limiting the amount of revenue, which were the trade more unfettered, would undoubtedly be collected from Sugar. During the past thirty years the population of the United Kingdom has increased about eight millions, every other necessary of life progressing with it, not outstripping the increase of the inhabitants, with the single exception of Sugar the import of which has slightly fallen off since 1811. The laudable intention of bolstering up the west India colonies, by a differential duty of 40s. per cwt. in favor of the Sugar of plantation growth, has been singularly unsuccessful. The cultivation of these islands appear long ago to have reached maturity, and latterly there has been a falling off, which but for the judicious admission of East India Sugar, would have been a serious loss to the revenue, and a heavy tax upon the consumer, giving the West India planters a monopoly of the Sugar market. The legislature have at length, wisely distinguished between a protection and a prohibition, and in retaining a differential duty of 10s. in favor of the colony Sugar, they will open the British market to importations from other quarters, increasing the consumption and re-

venue, also adding largely to the export of manufactured goods, and at the same time giving an ample protection to the colonial planters, who if they cannot grow Sugar to pay for £10 a ton, or 50 per cent. more than can be done in other countries, where the cultivation is also by free labourers, but the cultivation of it is not profitable. In our issue of the 29th of May, we had occasion to make a few remarks upon the tea-duty; we then expressed our conviction that a reduction would be made on Sugar as well as tea—we then stated that a differential duty of 10s. per cwt. would be a reasonable protection to British planters and would, we believed, be the rate at which it would be fixed. We notice this, not that we claim any credit for the correctness of our views, as we are satisfied that, after a comparison of the rates at which raw Sugar can be purchased in the various sugar growing countries, the quality of the Sugar, expense of freight, &c. such would be the conclusion arrived at by every enquirer. Our impression was that from the large and increasing stock of tea in Europe, and the necessity of taking a still larger supply from China yearly, unless we would check the splendid trade that is opening for our manufactures, the consumption must be increased—and that can only be done by a liberal reduction on the import duty. With a surplus revenue of £2,700,000, a thriving commerce, and almost universal peace, we confidently anticipate that, another session of parliament will not close before the required change in the tea duty is made.

The admission of free labour Sugar, of foreign growth, at a moderate duty will bring forward unexpectedly, a new export from China, at the very time that it is so much required. Many have looked forward, in perspective to the possibility of Chinese Sugar ultimately finding its way to the English market, but none, or very few, could have dreamt that its almost immediate shipment would offer a regulator to the present deranged state of our trade with China, the inequality between what we give, and what we receive, being too great for a healthy commerce. The quarters from which fresh supplies of Sugar can be obtained, in consequence of this new regulation, are, Batavia, Manila, Siam, and China. It is with the last of these that we have a special interest, and will shortly investigate the nature of the trade and the probability of its being lucrative, premising that, if Sugar can be purchased in China at a price sufficiently low to afford a profit upon the shipment, the quantity which Great Britain can consume, at a moderate reduction on present prices is almost unlimited, or at least greater than can be brought forward for some years. In quality the Chinese Sugar is second to none of the white, or clayed Sugars of India. In the Bombay market, it commands a better price than either Bengal, Siam or Manila. It is with these Sugars it would have to compete in the English market, and the question is, admitting it to be equal in quality, can it be shipped to pay at the current rates of the London market. The strong Muscovados of the West India and the Mauritius, even of the best quality, do not command so much by 2s per cwt. as the best class of Bengal Sugar; it is with this scale that we must measure the capabilities of that of China growth. In the London Journal of commerce, of date 11th May Bengal, white Sugar, of good fine, quoted at from 64s. and 6d to 70s per cwt., duty paid. With this quotation as a guide we turn to the Sugar of China, at the current prices of the day, we will give two statements of the actual cost laid down in England, one calculated at the present exchange of 4s. 3d. the other at an exchange of 4s. 6d.

EXCHANGE 4s. 3d.

No. 3 Sugar, picul \$4.50 cwt 16s.	
Shipping charges and Ins ^t 8 pr. cent.	1.3d.
Freight	4.
Import duty	34.
5 per cent Additional	1.9
	per cwt. 57s.

No. 1 Sugar, picul, \$5.50 cwt 19s.	
Shipping and Ins ^t 8 pr. cent.	1.3
Freight	4.
Import duty	34.
5 per cent Additional	1.9
	per cwt. 61s.

EXCHANGE OF 4s. 6d.

No. 3 \$4.22 picul, cwt. 17s.	
Shipping and Insurance	1.4d
Freight	4.
Import duty	34.
5 per cent Additional	1.9d
	per cwt. 59s 1d

No. 1 picul \$5.50 cwt. 20s 10d	
Shipping and Insurance	1.3
Freight	4.
Import duty	34.
5 per cent Additional	1.9
	per cwt. 62s 10d

If these statements are correct, and we believe that they are, rather than under the mark, at the exchange of 4s. 8d. there is a profit of from 7s 6d to 9s. per cwt. subject to the deductions of commission, brokerage and wharfage in England, and at the more probable exchange of 4s. 6d. a profit of from 6s. 6d. to 7s. 9d. subject to the same deductions. The quality of Chinese Sugar, we are persuaded, is better than that of any Sugar that

has not gone through the process of refining, and though we have taken Bengal as a standard, it would probably fetch a couple of shillings more. By referring to some old memorandums, taken in 1840, we find that in Bombay at that period China Sugar was worth 9s per lb; Manila, fine, 5s Bengal, 5s 7 1/2 and Siam, fine 8s. The nearest approach to the produce of China was that of Siam, which by late advices from Singapore, is worth in that market, \$5.50 per picul, the price at which we have rated No. 1 Sugar in China.

We are favored with Singapore papers to the 4th July. The *Driver*, with His Excellency Sir Henry Pottinger on board, arrived on the 30th ultimo, making the passage from Macao in 9 days against the North East Monsoon. The *Driver* again sailed for Ceylon on the 3rd instant. Three French vessels of war arrived at Singapore on the morning of the 3rd. M. de Lagrange, French Bayou Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to China, and suite are with the fleet. His Excellency had an interview with Sir Henry Pottinger on the forenoon of his arrival. The French ships of war at Singapore, are the frigate *La Syrene*, *La Sabine*, and *Victorieuse* corvettes, and the brig *Messager*; these with the two frigates now in China will form a squadron of six pennants.

The *Samarang* arrived from Borneo on the 2nd. The rumour of Sir Edward Belcher's having been wounded is authenticated. We copy from the Free Press of the 4th.

H. M. Surveying Ship *Samarang* Sir E. Belcher, &c. arrived on the 2nd inst. from Borneo. We understand that Sir Edward has employed in the Ship's boats making scientific observations of the Coast of Giloa, a considerable Island lying east of the Northern limit of Celebes, was attacked by a large party of Malacca pirates, consisting of ten prahu with about 60 men in each. The boats of H. M. Ship had silenced several of the prahu which were afterwards taken possession of and destroyed, when a shot from one of them struck Sir Edward Belcher, passing through one thigh and lodging in the other, and knocking him overboard. Sir Edward was, we understand, in the act of directing a rocket against one of the prahu, when the shot reached him, and is the only one of the party who was seriously hurt, but it was not until considerable execution had been returned to the ships which immediately bore up to Singapore. The shot which struck Sir Edward when cut out, was found to be an iron swivel ball of more than an inch in diameter; but he is nevertheless progressing favourably and will no doubt be able to take part in the operations which the Admiral will, we trust, ere long, direct to be pursued against the Pirates in that quarter of the Archipelago, whose repeated outrages against Europeans we have recorded of late.

We heartily concur with our contemporary in expressing a hope that the pirates of Banca, and the neighboring islands will ere long receive that punishment which their crimes so richly merit.

OPIMUM.—The *Laurick* brought a supply of only 25 chests *Benares*. We have heard of no transactions during the week in *Patna*. *Benares* has been sold at \$700 and one or two chests yesterday as high as \$725—*Mahoe* has been in more inquiry and sales made at \$650 *Cash*, 685 a 670—*Credit Turkey*—neglected.

The *Sultana* from Bombay 10th ultimo, arrived on the morning of the 21st, with the London Mail for May. This mail is exceedingly bare of general news, though there are several items of great interest to the inhabitants of British India and the commercial community of China. We notice first, the arrangement for a monthly steam communication to China via India, and a bi-monthly mail between England and India. It is not stated when these arrangements are to commence, or whether the China mail is to be carried to and from Ceylon by H. M. S. ships on the India and China stations, or whether the Peninsular and Oriental Company, who carry the mail that leaves England, on the 1st of each month so far as Ceylon, will also contract for transporting it from thence to China. It is definitely fixed that one Mail is to leave South-India on the 1st of every month, to be conveyed throughout by the Peninsular and Oriental Company, calling at Ceylon, from whence letters will be despatched to Bombay, and by steamer to China; and proceeding onwards via Madras to Calcutta, where it is to arrive in sufficient time to allow five days for reply by the homeward Mail via Bombay. The other Mail is to leave London on the 15th of each month, and proceed via Marseilles, Trieste, as may hereafter be determined upon, to Suez, from whence it will be conveyed by the East India Company to Bombay, letters and papers being forwarded thence, as heretofore, to the several presidencies of India, where they will arrive so as to permit replies by the next homeward Mail, which will leave Calcutta calling at Madras, and at Ceylon for China and Bombay letters, &c.

The Court of Directors of the Hon. E. I. Co. have unanimously come to the determination to recall Lord Ellenborough from the Governor-Generalship of India. Sir Henry Hardinge is appointed his successor and will take his departure in June. Sir Henry Pottinger had been talked of as a proper person to fill this honorable and important office. The objection made to Sir Henry, appears to be a by-law of the East India Company that they will never appoint any one who has been in their service to this post. We cannot see the policy of such a rule; on the contrary the fact of his being an old officer in the Company's

service we would consider to be one of Sir Henry Pottinger's chief recommendations. Few men of the age are better acquainted with eastern diplomacy, and the true interests of British India, and if experience, sagacity and moderation are requisites in a Governor-General, he possesses them all, at the same time the feeling of respect with which he was so long accustomed to regard the Court of Directors, would induce him to treat them with that deference to which they are entitled, but, which appears to have been systematically withheld by Lord Ellenborough; His Lordship has not lived long enough to know that, the appointment which he holds is that of a servant, not alone to the crown, but also to the Directors of the Company, and in his intercourse with them in the relative position of employed and employer, it is necessary that he should look less to his peerage and more to the nature of his appointment. Her Majesty's Ministers are much dissatisfied with the Directors of the Company. The Duke of Wellington has designated it a "gross indiscretion." Lord Ellenborough is a personal friend, and doubtless the Duke feels the disgrace which has been thrown upon his friend keenly, particularly as in his opinion it is unmerited. Lord Ellenborough may have been somewhat unpopular in consequence of his proclamations may have disgusted his countrymen, who are no admirers of the Napoleon style, but if success is any proof of merit, as a Governor, he has carried all before him. The total abolition of slavery in British India—where it continued to exist among the Hindoos and Musselmen according to their own laws, long after its abolition in all other British colonial possessions,—will throw a halo round his Lordship's career which hereafter will not be shaded. The conquest of the Beloches, the annexation of Scinde, and the hard fought battle of Gawhor, with many other important affairs have followed each other so fast that, while people have been discussing the merits of one, another unexpectedly is heard of. Prudent men are alarmed at His Lordship's successes—thinking men question the justice of some of his conquests, but with all his arrogance, or coxcombry, his plans have been arranged and carried to maturity in a manner, which those who question his judgment and talents will find it difficult to account for.

The flourishing state of the Revenue has induced the Government to reduce or repeal the duties on several articles of import. The proposed reductions, however, only amount to £400,000 per annum, while the gross surplus as compared with the previous years revenue is £4,165,000, the surplus after paying the expenses of the current year £2,700,000, and the net surplus after paying the deficiency of 1842-3 £1,400,000. This flourishing state of the national finances, would encourage us to hope for a reduction on the heavy duty on tea, a measure which the manufacturing and commercial interests of Great Britain loudly demand. The following changes have no influence upon the China trade; Currents from 22s to 15s.; foreign Coffee from 8d to 6d per lb; Glass assimilated at three farthings; Vinegar to be repealed altogether. The duties on Marine Assurances are to be reduced and the scale materially altered; the benefit to be derived from this will be common to all engaged in commercial pursuits—the loss to the revenue from the measure will be about £100,000. On wool the duty has also been abolished entirely. The most important part of the Budget is the proposed alteration in the duty on foreign Sugar the *produce of free labour*. The present rate of 6s (a total prohibition for consumption) is lowered to 34s. per cwt, or 10s a cwt. more than that on British plantation Sugar. In the East this will make some important alterations in our commerce. Manila, Batavia, Siam, and probably China Sugar in large quantities will find a market in England and lead to an extension of the shipments of manufactured goods to these places.

For court gossip and other news we refer to the letter from our own correspondent. We are in monthly receipt of letters from the same pen, which we never publish; our contemporary the *Singapore Free Press*, also claims the writer as "his own Correspondent" as he furnishes the Free Press with a monthly duplicate of our letter, which many of our readers have the benefit of seeing without its being printed in China. This month "our Correspondent" writes better than usual, and we take the liberty of borrowing his letter from the columns of the Free Press, it being easier for our contributors than the manuscript which now lies before us.

MILITARY.

Detachments of H. M. 98th and 18th Regiments embarked on board the *Jave* transport for China, at Gravesend on the 4th May, consisting of 258 men and the following officers—18th Lieut. Koor, Ensigns Tresson and Brown; 18th Capt. Poppe, Ensign Macdonald and Assist. Surgeon Frazer.

28th Foot. This gallant corps was on the 3rd May, presented with new colours by Lady Douglas, in place of those which bore so prominent a part in the recent campaign in China.

OBITUARY.

General Mitchell, died on the 8th April at his seat in Dorchester, age 70 years.

Lord de Blaquiere, of his seat, Portloman, Westmeath, on the 7th April, in his 68 year.

Sir Charles Westworth, Bart. on the 17th April, at his residence in Devonshire.

Rear Admiral, The Hon. F. E. Iley, C. B., by Byland Hall, Norfolk, on the 23rd April.

Sir Timothy Shelley Bart., on the 23rd April at his seat in Sussex.
Lieut.-Colonel Simcox, K. H., at Hull on the 29th April in 81st year.
Lady Margaret Erskine, in Paris, age 70 years.
Wm. Bechford, Esq., Author of "Vathek" &c., on the 2nd May at the advanced age of 82.
Mr. Commissioner Merivale, at London on the 1st of May.
Dutchess of Portland, on the 20th April.
Hon. Hugh Lindsay, on the 16th of May, age 70 years.

LATEST DATES RECEIVED IN LONDON, ON THE 6TH MAY.

Calcutta, March 22nd. Mauritius, Feb. 8th. Ceylon, Feb. 27th. Pinang, Feb. 27th. Ceylon, March 23rd. Sydney, Dec. 23rd. Cape, Feb. 29th. Singapore, March 2nd. Madras, March 23rd. St. Helena, March 16th.

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

SUGAR.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer having stated that no alteration will be made in the duty on Sugar the produce of British Plantations, has induced buyers to be more disposed to purchase this week. West India has been in good request for the week and the market has been nearly cleared each day, and the rates given are in most instances 6d per cwt above those of this day week; more business would have been done had the market been better supplied; brown Bertha brings 61s, brown Jamaica 62s, low grey 63s, middling 64s to 65s, fine 66s, low grey Demerara and Tobago 63s, and middling 64s to 65s per cwt. The delivery exceeds the arrivals, and the stock is much less than twelve months back. It is proposed by Government to admit foreign free-labor Sugar after November next at a duty of 34s per cwt, but to make no change in the duty on Sugar made by slaves.

There was a good business transacted in West India Sugar on Friday, which taken into consideration the trifling quantity on hand. The total purchases for the week are 1320 bins and tierces, and the rise in prices fully 6d per cwt. The annexed Table shows the Deliveries of Raw Sugar admissible for Home Consumption, at the Port of London this year to Saturday last compared with the three preceding years to the same date, with the stocks and average price on Saturday last.

Table with columns: WEST INDIA, MAURITIUS, BENGAL, and W. INDIA. Sub-columns include Delivered, Stock, and Bales. Data rows for 1844, 1843, 1842, and 1841.

The following are the quantities of Raw Sugar taken for home use at the four principal Ports of England this year, to Saturday last, compared with those of the two previous years.
1844. 1843. 1842.
West India... 23984 24519 17070 tons.
Mauritius... 6593 6874 41071 "
Bengal... 13080 18268 14360 "

Total... 45057 49682 44000 tons.
Mauritius.—There is no alteration in the prices of this description of Sugar; purchases to a fair extent have been made privately, low to middling grey fetching 61s to 61s 6d per cwt. The whole of 11,785 bags 105 casks at public sale found purchasers; fine yellow at 66s 6d to 68s, good 66s, middling 62s to 63s and low 60s to 61s 6d. 63s to 65s, and grey 59s to 63s for low to good, and 62s 6d per cwt for fine. The lowest considerations have been the most in request, but the supply has consisted chiefly of good yellow qualities. The stock exceeds that of last year at this time by 23 000 bags.

On Friday 500 bags offered in public sale and sold at very full rates, middling yellow at 62s 6d to 63s, low middling 60s to 62s, and good fair brown 58s 6d per cwt.
The demand has been good for all sorts of Bengal Sugar, but merchants having supplied the market freely has produced a slight decline in the value of white sorts: at public sale 7245 bags 121 tierces were nearly all sold, fine yellow, very bright Dohet was taken in at 70s to 71s damps solid, fine chrysolite 70s to 71s, and washed 69s, fine white 67s 6d to 70s, good 66s to 67, middling 64s, 6d to 65s 6d, low 63s 6d to 64s, damps, fine white 66s 6d, middling and good 63s 6d to 65s, low 62s 6d to 62s 6d, washed, fine 69s, low 60s 6d to 62s, damp yellow 59s to 61s, washed 58s 6d brown good strong bright 57s to 60s, washed 56s 6d to 57s 6d, and damps 55s 6d to 56s 6d per cwt: there is an increase in the stock as compared with that of last year, at 22,000 bags. Foreign East India Sugar is held at advanced rates, but little business has been done in the private market, and none has been brought to public sale.

GLASGOW REPORT, APRIL 27th.—Sugar.—Sugar continues in a steady demand at full rates the sales of the week being 402 hhd 96 tierces 272 barrels West India, and 1450 bags Mauritius; good brown Trinidad and Demerara brought 57s 6d to 58s, middling 56s 6d to 60s, good middling 61s to 62s 6d, good 64s, fine 67s, good middling 6s. Kitts 60s 6d, good Tobago 63s, good brown does 64s, low yellow Mauritius 60s 6d, middling and good middling 62s to 63s, and good 64s to 65s 6d. At the close of the week about 1500 puns of Demerara and Trinidad all assays have been taken at 93s 6d to 94s. The sale continues at 90s to 91s; but the demand is chiefly confined to immediate consumption. Crushed and Loaves bring full prices with a good demand; brown Crushed 83s to 85s, middling 82s to 84s, good 80s to 78s, and fine to very fine 72s

to 79s, brown Loaves 80s to 82s, good 83s to 86s, and fine to very fine 88s to 90.
Tobago.—The occurrence of a public sale at Leith this month, and another being advertised here for the 30th instant, have caused the demand privately to be on a confined scale, and the sales are limited to 600 chests Congou, at former rates.
LIVERPOOL & REPORT, APRIL 26th, 1844.—SUGAR.—There has been an extensive demand for all descriptions and 600 hhd B. P. sold at the full prices. 6000 mats Mauritius brought 59s 6d for good brown to 65s 6d for fine yellow, and 5500 bags Bengal, chiefly 65s 6d for middling to very fine white. A fair business has been done in Foreign, without change in prices; the sales consist of 100 cases 10 brls and 720 bags brown Brazil, and 120 brls La Guayra.

Rubber has sold fine, trimmed, flat and round, 2s 6d to 3s 4d; ditto mid, rather open and partly purified 4s to 6d.
CASHEE LACONIA has met with a slow sale, and the few parcels disposed of have barely brought previous rates: at auction on Wednesday, 600 chests only partly sold—good this and 6s to 6s 6d, middling 6s to 6s 6d, good ordinary coarse 6s 6d to 60s and damaged in the country 5s 6d per cwt.

MONEY MARKET AND CITY INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 3.
The British Securities have been on the decline during the past five days, in consequence of many parties realising the late high prices to which Consols had risen; yesterday several sales were effected, and the price declined to ninety-nine one-fourth, at which rate the Commissioner for the Brokers took £20,000, by which they finally closed at ninety-nine one-eighth for money and the account. Today, however, there was less stock pressing on the market and the few sales effected were about one-fourth per cent dearer than the close of the previous day, but towards the close of business prices receded, and Consols for money and the account finally closed at ninety-nine one-fourth three-eighths. Three per cent reduced ninety-eight one-half three-fourths; Three and a-half per cent reduced one hundred and one three-eighths five-eighths; New three and a-half one hundred and two three-eighths five-eighths. Exchequer bills have been firm and steady throughout the week; small sales at which rates they left off. India Bonds, ninety-four, India Stock has again declined, and the closing prices were two hundred and eighty-one two hundred and eighty-four. Bank Stock flat and rather lower, and yesterday the leaving off prices were one hundred and ninety-six one hundred and ninety-six and a half. A further portion of the Canada Loan was taken to-day, but at what rates we could not learn.

Foreign Funds have participated in the general dullness, prices of many stocks were lower, and the transactions are not worth mentioning. The leaving off prices this evening were: Spanish three per cents, thirty-four seven-eighths thirty-five one-eighth; ditto fines, twenty-four one-fourth three-eighths; Mexican Bonds, thirty-five one-fourth one-half; Portuguese Converted, forty-five one-fourth; Brazilian, eighty one-half eighty-one; Dutch closed rather better, the five at one hundred and the one-fourth three-eighths, and the two and a-half sixty-one one-eighth three-eighths; Brazilian, eighty and a half eighty-one; Colombian (ex Venezuela), fourteen three-fourth fifteen. All other foreign stocks have been of slow sale at previous rates.

Railway Shares have rather advanced to-day, and more business has been done, Great Western's leaving off at forty-one forty-two, being an advance of 2 1/2s, per share; Brighton, forty-four three-fourth seven-eighths; Eastern Counties, thirteen one-fourth; and Greenock, four three-fourth five.

Money continues as easy as noticed for the past month, the best acceptances are quoted at one and a half one three-fourth second, two to two and a half, and others in proportion.

Sir Henry Pottinger is expected to arrive in this country in June, when there seems to exist little doubt some special mark of her Majesty's favour, and of the nation's gratitude for his invaluable services in China, will be conferred on him; probably a peerage.

Shipping Intelligence. ARRIVALS.
FROM CHINA.—April 6, 6 o'clock, 3 Walker; 16, Wm. Jardine; China and The Friend; 18, Anglerborough, and 19, Ardenham; Simon Taylor; 20, Coom; May 2, Charles Jones, 6th John Brewer.
SAILED.
FOR CHINA.—April 4, 4 o'clock, and 8 o'clock, 8.
FOR CHINA.—April 5, 5 o'clock, 27, Eleanor R.
April 28, John Douglas.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency the Governor-General, understanding that Ordinance No. 5, requiring all persons to file a proper lease of labour to their houses, and keep it slight during the night, has not been complied with generally and being convinced that one of the most essential means both of preventing and detecting crime, consists in having the houses well lighted, calls upon the inhabitants of Victoria to conform strictly to its provisions in future, and directs the Constables

and others to report all offenders to the Police Magistrate, in order that they may be punished for their neglect.

By Order.
FREDERICK W. A. BRUCE, Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 18th July, 1844.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
His Excellency the Governor having found it necessary to suspend Mr. Seales from the office of Deputy Postmaster of this Colony, has appointed Mr. Spring to act as his successor, till the pleasure of Her Majesty's Government be known.

By Order.
FREDERICK W. A. BRUCE, Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 22nd July, 1844.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED.
21 July.—Sultana, Wadge, Bombay.
21.—Maingy, Towanshead, Whampoa.
22.—Concy (Am.), Towne, Whampoa.
22.—H. M. Str. Spiffel, Com. Maitland, Chusan.
22.—Lady Amherst, Bruce, Whampoa.
22.—Ann McKim, from New York at Macao in 100 days.

SAILED.
20.—Harguin, Oliver, Amoy.
22.—Arlington, Cook, Chusan.
23.—Maingy, Towanshead, Chusan.
UNDER DESPATCH.
Swift, Butrey, Amov.
Victoria, Pater, Calcutta.
Louisa, Forgan, Bombay on 24th.
Concy (Am.), Towne, New York.
Laerick, Lingley, Bombay.

The Maingy arrived here, left H. M. Sloop Harlequin at Singapore.
Sultana arrived here, sailed the Drifter on 5th July in the Straits of Malacca, all well.
The Helena, from China, made the passage to New York in 26 days. She struck on the Alceste Rock, Gaspar Straits, and had to throw overboard 900 chest of Tea.

VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR.

South Sooton, W. T. Gemmill & Co.
Yong Queen, St. Hart, Fischer, Larkins & Co.
Anna, 100, Kelso. R. W. Bayra.
Uruguay, 140, Kelso. R. W. Bayra.
Petrol, 60, Rogers, N. Duval.
Grand Turk, (Am) Emory. Rissel & Co.
Mary Ann Wood, White. C. Shaw.
Swift, Butrey T. Scott.
Lewick, Lingley, 600. Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Sanderford, Baulby, 308. Kennedy & McGregor.
Peanag, Hawkins. Jardine & Co.
Erin, Maine, 300. Kennedy & McGregor.
Zephyr, Privatier, Harlet.
Victoria, 500, Potter. Macvicar & Co.
Charles Grant 1700, Wm. Macvicar & Co.
London, 611, Hall, Order.
Ard, Macfarlane. Jardine & Co.
Sultana, Wadge. Dalahoy.
Concy, Towne. Wetmore & Co.
Lady Amherst 400, Bruce. Jardine Matheson & Co.

HER MAJESTY'S SHIPS.
Aginout, 72, Rear Admiral Sir Thomas Cochrane.
K. C. B. Captain Bruce.
London, 72, Captain Guin.—Hospital Ship.
H. C. Str. Praegeria, Com. Hoagh, R. N.
H. M. S. Sapphire, Com. Hook.
H. M. S. Spiffel, Com. Maitland.
H. M. L. S. Cleopatra, 60 guns, Capt. Coeille.

BRITISH SHIPPING AT WHARF.

H. M. B. Folger, 16, Com. Morris.
H. M. B. Wolvins, 18, Commander Justice.
London, 618, Kerr. Jamieson How & Co.
Ara, 587, Smith. Holiday Wines & Co.
Cureeje Covarje, 585, Campbell, D. & M. Rumsonjee.
Cumberland, Major Lindsay & Co.
City of Derry, Wm. Dallas & Co.
Saghalien, Brown. Turner & Co.
Caledonia, Burn. S. Rustonjee.
Evanjee Covarje, Edward. D. & M. Rustonjee.
Fines Allen, Sutherland, John Smith.
Prince of Wales, Jones Dalahoy Rustonjee.
Evanuel (Bel.), Havlock.
Antares, Druel. Murrow & Co.
Ann.
Julia, Jones. Hadje Sbabad.
John Laird. St. Croix.
Dragon, McDonald, D. & M. Rustonjee.
Orion (Dan). N. Duns.
Shah Alack, Page. Elias Hoosein.
Sydney, 183, Scholesfield, C. S. Compton.
Futel Mombard, Moore. S. T. Mahomed.
Madras, Plack. Jardine Matheson & Co.
Shura, Gething. Dirm, Gray & Co.
Turney, M'Key. Turner & Co.

BRITISH VESSELS AT MACAO.

Coraes, Ernest. Rustonjee & Co.
Black Dog, 40. Dalahoy Burjoss.
Madras, 500, Elack. Jardine Matheson & Co.
Rampall, 140, Less. Bourard & Co.
Admiral Moore, 800, M'Knight.
Isabella Thomson, Kilten.
Lord Godolphin, 801, Cook. T. D. Cook.
Spee (Dan), 124, Baird. N. Duns.

AMERICAN AT WHARF AND MACAO.

U. S. S. Shenandoah, Commodore Parker.
U. S. S. Perry, Keith.
U. S. S. Crockett, A. Head & Co.
U. S. S. Erie, Ferry. Wetmore & Co.
Doris, Randolph. Russell & Co.
Vanguard Graves, W. R. Fairfax.
Orest, Trippe. Nye Parkin & Co.
Ann McKim. Russell & Co.

SHIPPERS.

Spee, Roy.
Haines, Russell & Co.

FRANCE.
Orient, Cazals.
PORTUGUESE.
H.M.F. Tejo, Du Valle.
Onza Marjo, Rivott.
Nova Virginia, Valente, J. V. Jorge.
SWEDISH.
Hindoo, Granberg. Russell & Co.
Gilana, Salado.
Floriana, Ramirez.
Nuno Robaine, Villar. Pedro de las Horna.
Maria, Ysira. P. Carvalho.

SINGAPORE SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS FROM CHINA.
June 27.—Amfio, Damareque, 20th, H. M. B. Serpent, Nevill; 30th, H. M. Steamer Drive, Hayes.

DEPARTURES FOR CHINA.
June 27th.—Maingy, Towanshead, 29th, Langrick, Langley.
LOADING FOR CHINA ON THE 4th JULY.
Fanny Connell; Earl of Liverpool; Shephard; Sophia, Fraser; City of Palacca; Danish Oak; Feliz Vienna; Loujee Family, and Earl of Clare.

FOR AMOY.

THE Clipper Brig PANTALDON, Captain Porter having the greater part of her cargo engaged, will have immediate despatch. For freight apply to MURROW & CO. Canton, 22nd July, 1844.

FOR MAURITIUS.

To Sail positively on the 16th September.
THE Brigantine ANTARIS, Captain Alfred Druevel, will be despatched for Port Louis on the above date. She will have room for a small quantity of light freight only apply to MURROW & CO. Canton, 22nd July, 1844.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

THE A. I. Schooner THOMAS CRISP, hourly expected from Shanghai, may be chartered partly or in full, to trade between or lie at the different ports on the coast. If no offer is received, she will again be dispatched to the North, immediately on her arrival. Apply to N. DUNES, 19, Queen's Road. Victoria, 23rd July, 1844.

CHARLES WEISS, from London and Geneva, Chronometer and Watchmaker, begs to announce his removal to the shop of Mr. Miller, No. 2, Queen's Road. Victoria, 23rd July, 1844.

PRICE & CO'S PATENT SAFES.
MILNER'S PATENT FIRE RESISTING PORTABLE SAFES AND BOXES.

For the protection of Gunpowder, Ledger Books, Deeds, Writings, Cash, Plate, Jewellery, Silks, and other valuable materials from fire.
Extra super, thick lead Footsack Bank and Bath Post Paper.
A few of Mordan & Co's Patent Leads, to refill the leather boxes or the reservoirs of ever pointed pistols.
Fashionable Silk and Beaver Hats.
For Sale at C. W. BOWRA'S Store, with innumerable other articles, ex Penang.

FOR SALE.
A BATCH OF SUPERIOR BUCCELLAS, in two and three dozen cases, at 80 per dozen. Apply to JOHN SMITH. Macao, 17th July, 1844.

FOR SALE.
JUST Received an invoice of superior made Boots and Shoes, from J. Stunt, London. Apply to F. FUNCK. Victoria, July 24th, 1844.

FOR SALE.—E. I. Company's Bills on Bengal, accepted. Apply to GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO. Hongkong, 28d July, 1844.

SOUTH American Bay SILVER for sale by NYE, PARKIN & CO, Canton.
or GIDEON NYE, Jr., Macao.
Macao, July 16th, 1844.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. Joseph Ouellet in our Firm ceased on the 1st ultimo, and Mr. John Hayward is this day admitted a partner.
ADGUSTINE HEARD & CO, Canton, June 3, 1844.

WASHINGTON, 1844.
Some account of the Smithsonian bequest may not be uninteresting:
James Smithsonian, of England, son of Hugh Duke of Northumberland, and a descendant of the Percys and Seymours, October 28, 1838, made a will, bequeathing his large fortune in trust, as follows: A legacy of £100 annually for life to a faithful servant, and the income of the residue to Henry J. Hungerford, his nephew during his life, and at his decease to his children, if any, the remainder absolutely and forever; and in case of Mr. Hungerford's death without issue, to the United States of America, to be found at Washington, under the name of the Smithsonian Institution, on establishment for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men.

The testator died June, 1820. His will was proved. Mr. Hungerford, his nephew, regularly received his dividends on the bequest, during his life, and in June, 1838, died unmarried and without issue. Richard Rush, Esq., was immediately sent out as agent by act of Congress, to assert and prosecute the claim of the United States to this residuary legacy, who instituted a suit in the Court of Chancery in England, in the name of the president of the United States, vs. Charles Drummond, (the trustee) and Sir James's Attorney General, the defendants. Judgment was rendered in our favor, and Mr. Rush received and remitted \$508,000 to the Treasury of the United States. At the death of the old servant, the annuity of £100 will cease, and a further sum left in England to secure that payment will be received. By act of Congress, this bequest was invested in State stock, September 4, 1838 - viz. \$200,000 in 500 bonds of State of Arkansas, \$1,000 each, at six per cent, semi-annual payments, and a further investment of \$82,700 in bonds of Michigan, at six per cent. These securities are variously spoken of, but they are guaranteed by the General Government. More than \$100,000 interest have already accumulated since this investment, and between five and six years have gone.

Fugate, interest, fugate irrevocable tempus. Time has passed with irrevocable flight, and the nation has reaped no fruit, and there has been no diffusion of knowledge from this magnificent donation. Such is the clear and express words of the bequest, that committees in Congress by whom it has been referred, and every reflecting man who has examined it have been convinced that this fund cannot be appropriated to the education of children or the foundation of seminaries of learning. It is alone and exclusively "for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men," and the location of the establishment for this purpose must be in Washington.

NOTICE.
THE connection which has subsisted between us for some time past, in business has this day ceased.
Witness our hands this 17th day of July, 1844 years

Signed A. L. HODGES.
HUGH MACKAY of Hongkong } Witnesses
JNO MORRISON of do. }

MR. A. L. HODGES, with reference to the above advertisement, begs respectfully to acquaint merchants, captain of ships, &c., that he will continue to carry on, on his own account in that part of Chinam's Hong, facing the wharf entrance opposite the ordnance store; the business of Commission, Shipping and General Agent, and trusts by strict attention to merit a continuation of their favor.
Chinam's Hong, Victoria.
17th July, 1844.

FOR SALE—By the Undersigned a fine assortment of pine apple Cheese just received.
July 19th, 1844. DICKENS & Co.

MESSRS. HUNTER & BARTON.
Members of the Royal College of Surgeons, &c.
BEG to inform their Friends and the Inhabitants generally of Hongkong and Macao, that, having entered into Partnership on the First instant, Mr. G. K. Barton has removed to Victoria, where he intends practising in future.
A Dispensary has been fitted up in the house next the Baptist Chapel. The Medicines supplied direct from London.
Mr. T. Hunter will continue to attend at Macao, where there is accommodation for a few sick seamen. Charge, One Dollar per day.
Medicine Chests replenished at both Establishments.
Mr. Hunter will also visit the Typa.
Hongkong, July 19, 1844.

FRYER and LANE beg to inform their friends, and the inhabitants of Hongkong generally, that they have taken the house formerly occupied by Mr. W. Lane, next door to General D'Almeida's, where they intend carrying on the business of General Store Keepers and Commission Agents; they have now on hand some Hams and Cheese, of superior quality; Sherry, Port, Vinyle, Claret, and other light Wines, Brandy, Smith & Co's Gigs No. 3, and 4, Ferriery, Stationery, Hardware, Glassware, Pickles, Sauces, Bunting, Tard, and various other articles.
Victoria, 19th July, 1844.

TO LET.
GRANTIE, GODDONS, in a central situation, adjacent to the water, lofty and well ventilated, and a stone pier projecting therefrom to the sea. For particulars apply to
Queen's Road. C. W. BOWRA.

THE Undersigned beg to notify that they have purchased Mr. John LAYMAN, and Mr. CHARLES W. MURRAY, to sign for their firm by procurement in Hongkong and Macao.
MURROW & Co.
Canton, 1st June, 1844.

ENGLISH LETTER PAPER.
FOR SALE, a few Reams of Superior Bank Post, Superfine Thick Blue Wave Post, also Superfine Thick Yellow Wave Post.
Office Friend of China,
July 17, 1844.

QUEEN'S ROAD, VICTORIA.
JAMES WELCH has much pleasure in announcing to his Friends, and the Public generally, that he has just received a splendid assortment of Medicines, from London and Liverpool, in which are Cream Tartar, Tartaric Acid, &c., &c., as will be seen by the enumeration below; he respectfully invites parties to inspect the Perfumery and Cosmetics he has also landed; and in acquainting his Friends, and those who have so kindly patronised him since he commenced business, he requests that they will receive his assurance, that nothing on his part shall be wanting to secure their favor and support.

MEDICINES.
Acids—Acetic, Citric, and Tartaric. Alloys—Barbadoes, Hyacinth, and Socotrina. Balsam—Canada, Copaiba, Peru, and Tolu. Borex, Carbonate Soda, Cream Tartar, Camomile, Citrate Iron, Gum Arabic, Dilute Powder, Rochelle Salt, Sal Volatile; Spiritus Lavender, Senna, Alexandria Salt, Lemons, &c., &c.

ESSENCES.
Almond, Bergamot, Ginger, Jasmin, Lemon, Mithridate, Rose, and Sarsaparilla.
CONFECTIONS.
Lozenges—Rose and Peppermint; Adulterated, Drops, Raspberry, Jujubes, Peppercake, and Spanish Juice.

SUNDRIES.
Suspensory Bandages, Trusses, Sponge, Gold Beater's Skin, Tooth Brushes, Amale, Shellac, Green Verditer, Archbil, Black Lead, Rotan Stone, Henry's Magnesia, Daly's Carmine, Norton's Pills, Beauty's Chloride Lime, &c. &c.
Prescriptions carefully prepared.
16th July, 1844.

FOR SALE.
TWO Bay Manila Ponies, accustomed to go in harness and perfectly docile. The above is well worthy the attention of any gentleman wishing a comfortable and good establishment. Apply to
P. TOWNSEND.

FOR SALE.—One large Bungalow, 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, 16th March, 1844.

FOR SALE.
ALE and Porter in cask and bottle.
Casel's Johannisberg Hock in one dozen cases, 24 to 25 cts. Copper Beheading and Nails, A few cases of Port and Sherry, Champagne of first quality
Saltpetre
Arrack
Coffee
Nail Rod Iron
Apply to
EDWARD NEWMAN,
at the Godowns of Messrs. Macvicar & Co.
Victoria, 11th July, 1844.

FOR SALE.
FRENCH Preserved Meats, Sausages, Poultries, Champagne, Cognac in 1 doz cases, Superior Manin Cheroots No. 4, English Ladies' Shoes, French Gentlemen do.
Candles, superior quality, Raisins, in boxes, excellent condition, Percussion Bayonet Cans, English manufacture, Ramrods, &c., and every requisite article for Gunis, and Pistols, &c.
Superior Salad Oil, Cheese and Butter, in first rate order,
Apply to
N. BOULIE,
Queen's Road.
Victoria, 12th July, 1844.

FOR SALE.—At the stores of the undersigned opposite to Chinam's Hong.
Sherry Wine in wood and bottle, Brandy in wood and bottle, Ale (London bottled), Port Wine in bottle (Pages), Champagne, Anniseed, Whiskey, Rum and Arrack in casks, Jordan Almonds, Muscated Raisins, Zanite, Currants, Jama, Quinine, Cherry Hams, Bacon, Candies, Cheroots, Havannah Cigars, Old Tom, Cardiacs, Coffee, Sugar, Cheese, Flour, Droll, Ghee, Hired Pickles, Turpentine, Navy and Pilot Bread, Smoked Fish, Homgetically sealed Hams, Saddles, Pine rods, Chests, Vinegar, Fanned Haddock Glass ware, Fowling pieces, and a variety of other goods to late arrivals.
Victoria, July 9th, 1844. J. B. PAIN.

MR. A. L. HODGES, has for sale, Manila Rope, Manila Cheroots, No. 2 and 4, Havana Cigars, Long Chilo, Coffee, Soap, Sardines, Sherry of different qualities in wood and bottle, St. Julien Claret, Port, Old Jamaica Rum, Brandy, A superior assortment of Gunis, Pistols, Partridges, &c.; large and small Cheeses of superior quality, white and black Hates of various size and quality, and has just received a consignment of very superior White wine, Muster to be seen at the office.
Chinam's Hong, 19th July, 1844.

SUPERIOR Champagne, Claret, Port and Sherry Wine, Cordials and Liqueurs, Fresh Pickles and Sauces, Preserved Fruits &c. on the most moderate terms for sale by
DICKENS & Co.
July 19th, 1844.

THE Undersigned beg to intimate they have this day commenced business at Canton and Hongkong, as Commission Agents for the sale of
SEARE & CROPPER.
Benjamin Seare, Canton,
Henry Edward Cropper, Victoria,
July 1, 1844.

NOTICE.
MR. Joseph Gibbon Livingston, Mr. John Skinner, and Mr. Thomas Jones are admitted Partners in our Firm from this date.
GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1844.

PHENIX MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CALCUTTA.
THE Undersigned continues to issue Policies for the above Company, payable in London, Bombay, Calcutta and China.
A. A. DE MELLO.
Macao, 28th April, 1844.

CANTON PRICES CURRENT.
17th July, 1844.

IMPORTS.—Duty Paid.
With the exception of a fair demand for white and grey shirtings, the import market is generally very dull. In exports nothing is doing; it is however anticipated, as the floods subside and communication with the interior becomes again open, there will be a considerable improvement in the amount of business done, although it is not expected better prices will prevail in the market.

Ale (best brands) . . . 25 0 0 25 0 0 per hhd.
Alez.—Sunder's and other favorite brands selling at quotation.
Amber Nut . . . 10 5 0 11 0 0 per catty
Beal Nut . . . 5 0 0 5 0 0 per catty
Brazil—Stock small in Canton, with a favorable market for moderate importations at prices quoted.
Cannas—Eng. and . . . 8 0 0 9 0 0 per bolt
Scotch . . . 130 0 0 140 0 0 per catty
Coopers, sheathing . . . 32 0 0 32 0 0 per catty
S. A. M. . . . 20 0 0 20 0 0 per catty
Cordage, European . . . 8 0 0 9 0 0 per catty
COTTON, Bombay, }
sh. ps. 7s. }
Old 69, New 79 }
Madras } 0 0 0 0 0 0
" Bengali } 4 4 0 7 4 0
Old 70, New 82 }

COTTONS.—The imports from Bombay are large, but little doing in consequence of the flood. The staple is allowed to be better this year than usual. Small sales of Bombay at quotations, for Madras, no market.
COTTON GOODS.
White Shirtings, 40 3 30 4 30 70 per piece
Grey ditto ditto, 2 80 3 15
Lace Cloths.—Last week we mentioned that Cotton Lace Goods, Grey and White Shirtings, were in some request at quotations, since then there is but change in the state of the market or prices. On the Coast, by the latest advices, shirtings were selling at, for Gray, 3 dollars 45 cents to 3 dollars 30 cents; White, 4 dollars 40 cents to 4 dollars 20 cents. Yarn, No. 18 to 30, 23 0 0 23 0 0 per picul
CORN YARN.—Said dull of sale, with large stocks. The limited demand is confined to low numbers. Some sales have been made at Army, at 36 dollars per picul.
China Furniture . . . 2 0 0 4 0 0 per piece
METALS.
Tin, Banca . . . 16 5 0 17 0 0 per picul
" Phines . . . 0 0 0 0 35 0 0 per box
Iron, Nail . . . 2 30 0 2 40 0 0 per picul
" Hoop . . . 2 50 0 2 70 0 0
" Bar . . . 2 0 0 2 10 0 0
" Steel . . . 4 0 0 4 50 0 0
Lead Pig . . . 4 75 0 5 0 0 0
MEXICO.—Lead and Tin-plates are in some demand; Iron, very dull. On the Coast Lead and Iron, particularly the former, are freely offered at quotations for Iron-bar, 2 dollars 60 cents, and Red 3 dollars per picul. Lead, 5 dollars 50 cents to 5 dollars 60 cents.
Quicksilver . . . 120 0 0 120 0 0 per chest
" old . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0
" Benares, new, 755 0 0 0 0 0 0
" old . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0
" Malwa, new, 755 0 0 772 0 0
" old . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0
" Turkey . . . 360 0 0 0 0 0 per picul
OPUM.—Sales are making at about 20 dollars over our quotations; for the past month the price of the Drug has fluctuated from, for Patna, 75 dollars to 80 dollars, and for other kinds at proportionate quotations for Iron-bar, 2 dollars 60 cents, and Red 3 dollars per picul. Lead, 5 dollars 50 cents to 5 dollars 60 cents.
Rattas . . . 3 60 0 4 0 0 0
Sandalwood, Malabar, 11 0 0 18 0 0
" Timor, & S. S. 4 0 0 7 0 0
Saltpetre . . . 8 60 0 9 0 0 0
WOOLLENS.
Spanish Stripes . . . 1 15 0 1 25 0 per yard
Long Hils, scarlet . . . 8 50 0 8 70 0 per piece
" do, as reported, 7 70 0
Camels, English, 3 0 0 22 0 0 pr 14 in
" Dutch . . . 26 0 0 27 0 0
Woolens.—Camels have been sold against loss at 34 dollars. Spanish Stripes of favorite colors are in great demand, and are sold at 1 dollar 90 cents to 1 dollar 25 cents, for 24 1/2 inch. As Camels and the other sorts on the Coast, woolens are very little wanted after the speculators are nearly driven out of the market. Camels, well assorted, 25 dollars. Long Hils, reported 30 dollars, but have passed in the present state of the market, are nearly nominal.

EXPORTS.—On Board.
Alum . . . 8 75 0 2 0 0 per picul
Amber . . . Several parcels have been brought from the Coast to the port, and offered and sold for shipment to India. Price at Shanghai, 1 dollar 30 cents.
Anniseed . . . 17 4 0 20 0 0
Camels . . . 17 4 0 20 0 0
Cinnamon . . . 17 4 0 20 0 0
The only remittance we have of any kind is 1000 0 0 of good samples, under duty, sold, we believe, at 1 dollar per picul, in exchange for Opium.

Cassia . . . 0 0 0 9 25 0
" Buds . . . 15 0 0 15 0 0
China Roots . . . 2 50 0 3 0 0
Galangal . . . 2 20 0 0 0
Musk . . . 90 0 0 0 0 per catty
Rhubarb . . . 30 0 0 60 0 0 per catty
Ruxuan.—We hear of no purchases, although several parcels of the new root are in the market. The cheap weather is not favorable for storing and drying it. At Shanghai a fair sample is offered at 100 taels per picul.

RAW SILK.
Tantle . . . 505 0 0 505 0 0
Taysan . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0
Canton . . . 280 0 0 550 0 0
Silk.—None in the market. It is offered at Shanghai from 450 dollars to 480 dollars per picul. Reports to Great Britain for the year ending the 30th June, 1844, Nanjing, 2,435 bales; Canton, 189 boxes; Total, 2,581 bales and boxes. It is anticipated that this year the export will be doubled.

TEA.
Congo . . . 12 12 0 16 0 0
Caper, new . . . 23 0 0 24 0 0
Souchong . . . 15 0 0 20 0 0
Orange Pekoe, new 25 0 0 34 0 0
" second . . . 0 0 0 0 0
Twankey . . . 17 0 0 19 0 0
Hyson . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0
None
Young Hyson . . . 30 0 0 56 0 0
Hyson Skin . . . 15 0 0 32 0 0
Gunpowder . . . 43 0 0 70 0 0
Imperial . . . 40 0 0 67 0 0
Tia.—The market continues quiet. Masters of the new crop have arrived in Canton, and should the weather continue fine, a few ships may be expected immediately. Of the old crop there is still about 20 chests of Congo in the market. Green is nearly exhausted. The shipments to Great Britain for the year are, Black, 45,276 catty; Green, 6,183 catty; Total, 51,459 catty. To the United States, Green, 10,231,877 lbs; Black, 4,125,627 lbs; Total, 14,357,504 lbs.

STATEMENT OF TEA EXPORTED FROM CHINA TO GREAT BRITAIN, BETWEEN 1st JULY, 1843, AND 30th JUNE, 1844. IN 96 SHIPPS.

Bohea	11,193
Congo	37,453,759
Souchong	1,840,590
Pekoe,	452,881
B. Pekoe & H. Mury	277,025
Caper	542,387
Orange Pekoe, 1,038,765	
Sorts,	245,720
	41,366,722
Twankey	3,771,790
Hyson	1,271,768
Hyson Skin	331,700
Young Hyson, 1,420,250	
Gunpowder, 1,264,034	
Imperial	576,885
	8,547,022
Hebrides	671,511 lbs.
Mary Barmatney, 632,210 lbs.	1,204,021
Commencing with the Orix, and ending with the Mary Barmatney	
	Total, 51,417,765

LOADING Cumberland Lady Amherst, Saghalien.

COTTON REPORT.
Canton, June 1st to 30th, 1844.
Deliveries. Stock.
Twist, bales 857 4,775
American, bales 79
Bombay, " 18,023 89,769
Bengal, " 845 8,490
Madras, " 3,150 17,072
Total 22,967 114,971

EXPORT OF RAW SILK TO GREAT BRITAIN.
From 1st July, 1843, to 30th June, 1844.
Nanking. Canton
Bales Boxes
Small, 1 to 3 bales
Per Arianas, December, 140
Euphrates, November, 110
Viscont's Santleron, Nov. 15
Paris, Canton, January, 308
Harmony, January, 39
Wm. Jardine, December, 40
Ando, January, 789
Patna, October, 240
Paris, Canton, November, 128
Mary Ann, November, 12
Judith Allan, November, 65
Calcutta, October 35
Paris, Canton, October 15
Mary Catherine, October 33
Thomas Arbuthnot, Jan. 205
Palmyra, April, 130
Countess of Durham, June 45
Creolan, June, 288
Total 2,483 123

PRICES OF BULLION.
Sycee Silver, large, 2 per cent. premium
Small, 1 to 2 per cent.
Spanish Dollars, Ferdinand, par
Carols, 8 per cent. for selected.
Republican ditto, 8 to 14 per cent. discount.

EXCHANGE.
Bills on London at 6 months sight, 4s. 2d.
Navy Bills, 4s. to 4s. 1d.
R.M. Bankers on the Bengal Govt. Treasury closed.
Court of Directors received on 30th, 60 days have been offered at 225 per \$100. Difficult of Sale

FRIGHTS.
To London or Liverpool, 28 per cent. of 20 fl.
To Ostend, 10s. per ton additional.
To Amoy, 87 per ton of 40 feet
To other ports of Amoy, 80 ditto
Freight on Tea.—The present rates for the current rates in the present market are as follows: The amount of available shipping in the port is very small, and from the low rate that has been offered, many cargoes are not expected.

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LONDON **WEDNESDAY** MAY 1844.

Her Majesty has been residing at Buckingham Palace during the greater part of the last month Prince Albert returned to England from his short trip to Germany on the 11th ult. The Queen went to the Hotel de Ville on the 12th ult. She left on the 15th and 16th ult. the latter in celebration of Her Majesty's 25th day both were numerously attended. It is stated these will be the last Drawing Rooms for the season as Her Majesty's medical advisers consider it not prudent she should encounter the fatigue of any further as the interesting event which has been so anxiously anticipated of the line of succession to the Throne being expected to take place the latter part of next month. The Duchess of Kent has taken her departure for Germany via Paris Her Royal highness is expected to be absent from England about a month. The King and Queen of the Belgians have left England for their own territory. I am sorry to state that the Queen Dowager has been seriously indisposed with an attack of erysipelas, and although Her Majesty is now better yet the complaint still lingers about her. The lady Augusta Fitzclarence, youngest daughter of the late Earl of Munster was married at Paris on 10th ult. to the Swedish count Philip de Bonde. This nobleman is represented by the Duke of Devonshire who has dispatched the severe attack of Paralysis under which Lord Abinger the Chief Baron of the Court of Exchequer labored. His Lordship sank under it and died on the morning of 8th ult. in the 75 years of his age. Sir Frederick Pollock the attorney General has been appointed his successor, Sir William Follet into Solicitor General is now attorney General and Mr. Serjeant the Queen's Council has been appointed Solicitor General. These promotions have created several vacancies in the house of commons. Mr. Thomas Baring the late unsuccessful Candidate for the City of London has been returned for Huntington the place represented by Sir F. Pollock. Sir William Follet has been re-elected for Exeter, although an opposition by a General Briggs formerly in the Indian service was got up against him. The Marquis of Blandford has been returned for Woodstock the place lately represented by Mr. Theagar who only sat there during the young Marquis's minority and Mr. Hirst has been returned for Horsham where the Honorable Mr. Scarlett, Lord Abinger's son was Member.

The Parliamentary Intelligence will be found to contain several topics of interest, the most important of which to your locality is the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer of his intention to propose the reduction of the duty on Foreign sugars cultivated by free labor to 34s per cwt. This information was conveyed to the house of Commons on 30th ult. when the Right Honorable George Denham made his annual financial statement. He informed the members of the House of Commons that with Brazil would expire November next, and with that Treaty would terminate the right which the Brazils now enjoy of importing their produce into this country on the footing of the most favored nations. The difficulty which had existed long the Brazilians should make use of the Treaty to bring in slave grown sugar should any alteration have been previously made in the duties, being thus removed, it was intended from and after November next to admit into this country at a differential duty the sugar of those sugar producing countries which are exempt from the tax of the slave trade and which do not cultivate the sugar by means of slave labor. By these means we shall open to the eastward of the Cape of Good Hope the course of the slave trade, and a supply of sugar. We shall thus throw open and encourage a growing trade with China with which our commercial relations have hitherto been much confined; and we shall derive a great supply without any departure from the great rule of conduct which Great Britain has hitherto adopted against the principle of Slavery. Our supply of sugar will be increased in consequence and we shall give an additional spur to the production in the different colonies. In stating that we should open Countries to the eastward of the Cape of Good Hope he of course excepted those countries where the Slave Trade still went on and where it was the practice to raise the produce by Slave labor. The differential duty which he intended to propose upon the sugar of those Countries so exempt from the Slave Trade and from the use of slave labor would be a differential duty of ten shillings. The sugar which comes from a British colony will pay a duty of 24s. whilst sugar coming from those countries will pay a duty of 34s. per cwt. He was quite aware it might be stated that the United States had a treaty with a similar clause to that of the one with Brazil, but he is able to show that the sugar which is raised in the Southern States was not cultivated to be brought into our market to compete with free sugar. It would have been most satisfactory to him if the state of this matter had admitted of his making a general arrangement of a permanent nature with respect to the sugar duties generally, and by reducing colonial duties so that he should place all on a solid and permanent basis, but it would be obvious that until the present year it would be impossible to do so. Any principle such as he had described. He could not say that he would decrease from that date the duties on sugars because by so doing he would paralyze all trade. He thought it should be better only to declare that from that date there should be a certain differential duty to that till the period when the sugar duties shall be again considered. In so doing he was not entering into any view as to the feeling towards Brazil whose sugar would be excluded—with respect to the amount fixed upon for the differential duties, he had been anxious to take a particular account which would give us some advantage as sought to be given in colonial growth of Free Sugar on the part of this country. Mr. F. D. Baring is commenting upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer's proposition in a way that encourages us to believe that he will give to Slavery and the Slave trade and that it would have been much more advantageous to have admitted all foreign sugars at the same rate of duty. He says according to an estimate lately published that the whole sugar brought into Europe last year amounted to 875,000 tons. The value of the 875,000 tons was produced at the rate of 55s. 6d. and other British possessions so that their remained

469,000 tons for the other European markets. The account of sugar which it was calculated was brought from Java, Manila, Siam and Coochin-china was 35,000 tons the whole of which sugar was produced by free labor. Now if they took the whole of that out of the British sugar market for consumption in this country what would be the effect? why that this gap would be filled up on the continent by Slave cultivated sugar, and therefore the Right Honorable Gentleman would be keeping his determination in words and departing from his principles.

The other proposition made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in this Budget was a further reduction of two pence per pound on foreign coffee making it for the future six pence per pound instead of eight pence, reducing the duty on crown Glass from two pence per lb. to three farthings, repealing the duties on Vinegar and on the importation of Sheep Wool, and a reduction of duty in the Marine Insurance. Altogether he estimated that these alterations would cause a loss to the revenue of £400,000. In the course of the discussion that followed it was pretty clearly intimated that the Property and Income Tax would not be repealed next year, but that it would be continued if possible for two years further, and that probably some other mode of raising the consumable excise would be proposed as an equivalent thereto.

One other point of considerable importance, the British Interest in your vicinity has been announced namely that the Court of Directors of the East India Company had determined upon sending Lord Ellenborough from the Government of India. This was stated in the two houses of Parliament by the Ministers and there was no question put to them on the subject, with the condition that the proceeding was without the sanction of Government. The first announcement was followed up by a request for information upon the subject, and the production of the correspondence which had taken place between the Board of Directors and the East India Directors. The Duke of Wellington in reply stated there was no doubt that the Court of Directors under the act of Parliament possessed the power of recalling the Governor General and they had submitted to the Government their reasons for the measure they had adopted these reasons the Ministers did not consider valid and therefore reinstated against the measure. He considered it very improper in the Court of Directors to have taken this course, he believed it was the first time since the establishment of the Board of Control that such a power had been exercised, although such proceedings had been more than once in agitation on previous occasions and it was a fact that it had been in contemplation by the same Gentlemen in respect to this very Governor General in the course of the last year. He considered it very improper that they should withdraw their resolution and not to proceed to determine his recall. This was previous to the great operation in Gwalior an operation which must have been founded upon the most just and discriminate measures adopted by the Government for the equipment the support and the maintenance of the armies which were to be put into the field under the direction and superintendence of Government. What would have been the consequence had the Noble Lord been recalled just previous to this operation, threatened as we were at the same moment by a body of Troops on the north-west frontiers, with the Provinces of Scinde still unsettled, and that army deprived as it has been under the superior direction of his Noble Friend withly recall the direction and superintendence of an army employed on the north west frontier and the Bengal provinces. Why the dangers would have been imminent and this would have been the consequence of the recall of his Noble Friend six or eight months ago—it was prevented then only by the representations made of the dangers which would ensue to the public interests the dangers resulting from the impossibility that they would decline to provide for events which would most probable occur if they recalled their officer without the consent of Government who would thus be deprived of the instrument in their hands best fitted for carrying their Policy into execution while the Directors in this Country must be unable to direct the means in existence for securing the safety of the Troops for guarding their frontier.

Altogether the honor of Her Majesty's arms and the security of our vast dominion in that part of the World. He said in conclusion that the proceedings now adopted was the most indiscreet exercise of power that he had heard carried into execution by any Body who possessed the power also he had a knowledge of public affairs, which had now been brought forward. The request he made with respect to the Marquis of Normandy with all deference to the Noble Duke thought he had gone rather too far in his censure on the Court of Directors before the house and they had the information laid before them necessary to enable them to draw their own conclusions.

In the house of Commons Sir Robert Peel in reply to similar questions said in substance that at the present moment he did not deem advisable to lay the papers before the house. On the following evening Mr. Hogg and Mr. Assel two of the Court of Directors and Members of the house of Commons entered the Country to suspend their judgment on their proceedings until every information was before them. The question was discussed by the Court of Directors for some time and that at last at an Extraordinary Court at which were present twenty three out of the twenty four Directors it was unanimously resolved that the recall should take place. We now learn that the East India Company have solicited the sanction of Her Majesty's Government for the appointment of Sir Henry Darnley as Governor General of the Gallant Army of New South Wales, and that he will be immediately appointed to that office and will sail on the 10th inst. for the Cape of Good Hope and will sail on the 10th inst. for the Cape of Good Hope and will sail on the 10th inst. for the Cape of Good Hope.

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The House that the course he proposed to pursue in reference to the new Bill for regulating the labor in Factories introduced by Government was to propose clauses to limit the hours of labor from 1st of October next to all young persons to eleven hours per day or 84 hours per week until the first of October 1845 and after that period to impose a further limit to ten hours per day or 80 hours per week. The house of Commons was occupied for some days in consequence of Mr. Roebuck having asked up a charge against Mr. Ferrand of having in a speech made by him in Gorkshire on the Factory question accused Sir James Graham of having used his influence as a Minister of the Crown to induce one of the assistant Poor Law Commissioners to make a false report for the purpose of crushing him (Mr. Ferrand). Mr. Hume said there was another charge against Mr. Ferrand namely that he had asserted that Sir James Graham had induced the member for Beverly Mr. Hogg to commit perjury by voting against his conviction when Chairman of the Nottingham Election Committee thereby supporting Mr. Water of his seat he being a strenuous opponent of the new Poor Law. Mr. Ferrand having denied the power of the house to enter into the question and having declined to afford any satisfactory explanation, the house at last passed resolutions declaring that the charges were false and calumnious and of 12th inst. announces the appointment of Alfred Miller Mundy Esq. as Colonial Secretary for the province of South Australia. That of 23rd the appointment of John Nodds Dickenson Esq. to be one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the Colony of New South Wales.

That of 29th the dignity of Kimingham had been conferred upon Thomas Robert Maddock Esq. of the Bengal Civil Service. That of 30th various promotions of the officers who had served in the late operations in the East Indies. That of 31st inst. The nomination of several officers to be Knights Commanders and Knights Companions of the Military order of the Bath.

The Court of Directors of the East India Company have appointed Major-General Sir George Pollock, a provisional member of the Council of India. The Hon. Hugh Lindsay, an old and much respected member of the Court of Directors died on the 23rd ultimo. There are several competitors in the field for the appointment thus vacated but he has all retired in favor of Capt. Whitman. The election is fixed for the 10th inst.

Mr. Theagar the new Solicitor General having lost his seat as representative of Woodstock by his promotion has had a vacancy made for him at Abingdon, where Mr. Duflieu has been the representative for some years has retired. In Ireland Mr. O'Connell and his Co-Travellers made their appearance in the Court of Queen's Bench early in the term armed with affidavits which they presented to the Court for the purpose of grounding a motion for a new trial. The principal points they rely upon are the irregularity connected with the ballot for the jury list where by the names thereon were not placed in the ballot box; the allegation that a person served on the jury was not the party summoned, namely John Egby was summoned as a man named John Jackson. Rightly answered to the point when called, another ground is that the place where part of the seditious proceeding are alleged to have taken place is not properly described in the indictment. Mr. Whitotes opened the application on the part of the Travellers in most able speech, and has been replied to by the Solicitor General, the other Counsel for the Travellers have been occupying the time of the Court with their addresses and the arguments are not concluded, it is however rumored that it is very possible the Judges will see the necessity of granting a new trial.

ARRIVAL, APRIL 8th.—John Cree, Rodgerson, Singapore, London; Elizabeth Walker, Currie, Singapore, London; W. S. Hamilton, Brown, Singapore, London; 17th, Simon Jardine, Jones, China, London; Cayton, Ferguson, China, London; 18th, George Buchanan, Sim, Singapore, Liverpool; 21st, Ingleborough, Rae, China, London; 22nd, Waverly, Morgan, China, London; 23th, Ariadne, Campbell, China, London; Simon Taylor, China, Portsmouth; May 2, Charles Jones, McFee, Canton, China; 3th, John Brown, from China; April 30th, Poim, Ferguson, China, London.

SAILINGS, APRIL 8th.—Wilhelmine Marie, Valentine, Hambro and Downs, Singapore; 25th, Ellen, Rodger, Clyde, Singapore; Aeden, King, Liverpool, Hongkong; 27th, Eleanor Russell, Jefferies, Liverpool, China; 28th, John Dugdale, Liverpool, China.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE. FRANCE.—The noblest of material importance from the country during the past month, the Royal Family are now engaged in paying attention to the Dutches of Kent.

SPAIN.—The latest accounts inform us that the Ministers have tendered their resignation which have been accepted and the Queen has entrusted to General Narvaez the difficult task of forming a new cabinet. The King's mother is very devoted in her attachment to her Daughters since her return to Madrid and rumors are current that she desires to promote the Queen Isabella's union with a branch of the Orleans family.

LONDON MONTHLY MAIL. SUBSCRIPTIONS received at this office. A few copies of each are given and some immediately on receipt. See the Price List.

MR. DUNCAN JAMES RAY, is authorized to sign by procuration for our Firm. (Signed) TURNER & CO. London, 24th July, 1844.

FOR SALE. ON BOARD the Camberton, now at Whampoa, but shortly expected to arrive in this harbor. A one day Chronometer, by Froehman, London price £250; Hawkers from 4 to 7 inches \$4 50 per picul; 300 gallons Cocoon oil \$7 per picul. Apply on board to the Commander. Victoria, 10th July, 1844.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED. SHEATHING COPPER, and Nails 16 to 26 oz. Chain Cables and Anchors, of Brown, Lenox & Co.'s manufacture; a consignment of Wines, from Messrs. Cock & Co., London; an assorted invoice of sundries, from Silver & Co., Clothiers, London. SEARE & CROPPER. Chinam's Hong, Victoria.

PIANO FORTE FOR SALE. JUST imported, a 6 octave Cottage Piano, by Kirkman & Son, Soho-square, London, manufactured expressly for the climate, with spare strings and tuning key; to be seen at Messrs. Phillips, Moore & Co., 18, Queen's Road, Victoria.

THE Undersigned beg to intimate to the inhabitants of Hongkong, Ship masters, and the public in general, that they have this day commenced business as Commission and General Agents. A. H. FRYER, T. A. LANE, Victoria, July 15th 1844.

AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE OF CALCUTTA. THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China are prepared to Grant Policies payable in London, Bombay and Calcutta. MURROW & Co. Canton & Macao, 10th July, 1844.

WANTED, for the Ward Room of H.M.S. Agincourt, a Steward or Messman. For particulars apply on board. P.S. None need apply who cannot give the most respectable references. Victoria, June 25th, 1844.

WHAMPOA HOSPITAL. FOR the greater convenience of Vessels lying in the Whampoa and Blenheim reaches, the Hospital Vessel is moored off the Bombay Creek. M. O'SULLIVAN, AND E. K. KANE, Members of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, Resident Surgeons. Whampoa, 3rd February, 1844.

LATTEY & CO. Chronometer and Watch Makers. Upper part of Mr. Paul's old store, Queen's Road, opposite to Chinam Hong, Hongkong, 1st June, 1844.

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. A. A. DE MELLO, Macao, 23rd April, 1844.

NOTICE. AFTER the 30th instant, the firm of JOHN BURD & Co. here, and in Balli Bading (Balli), will be known in China and Balli as BURD, LANGE & Co. Victoria, 28th June, 1844.

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

DR. RICHARD JONES has removed from Magistry-street to the house occupied by Mr. James Welch, Chemist and Druggist, where he will continue to practise his profession, May 30th, 1844.

A CARD. DR. B. KENNY, and DR. R. WILSON, beg leave to intimate to the Commanders of ships proceeding to Whampoa, that they have associated themselves in connexion as Medical and Surgical practitioners at that anchorage. China Vessel, moored at the entrance of Bombay Creek in Blenheim Reach. July 16th, 1844.

D. REMI, FROM AUBERT and KLEPFERBORN, 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. Macao, Hospital-street, 30th June, 1844.

JUST received by late arrivals. A small quantity of superior Sherry and Port Wine, in 3 doz. bottles; Pale and Dark Brandy, English Shies; Tawelling, Crockery, and Glass wares. ROBERT LOWRIE, Victoria, 2nd July, 1844.

BILLS of the Honorable East India Company upon the Bengal Government, accepted, for sale by NTE, PARKIN, & Co. Calcutta.

GIDEON NYE, Junr, Macao.

July 5, 1844.