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FOR CEYLON ENGLAND AND INTERMEDIATE PORTS.

THE Steam Ship LADY MARY WOOD, Captain Cooper, with Her Majesty's Mails, will leave this for the above places at 2 P. M. on the 1st of March, 1846. Cargo will be received on board until noon, and specie until 4 P. M. on Saturday the 28th Inst. This route offers an opportunity of visiting Singapore and Pinang, remaining a few days at Ceylon, thence to Madras or Calcutta in 34 days from leaving China. Steamers are also understood to ply between Colombo and Bombay.—Specie, Silk, and other Goods, may be forwarded by this route to Madras and Calcutta, and will be retained on board the Steamer at Galle until the arrival of the Suez Steamer for those places, when they will be transhipped free of expense. Arrangements are made in the Steamers throughout for the convenience of the Native Merchants of India, proceeding as passengers and certain accommodation is reserved in those from Calcutta, for Passengers from China, joining the Suez line at Galle, to secure which it is requisite that a notice of at least two months be given to the Company's Agent here.

Information regarding the rates of freight and passage can be obtained by application at the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Comp's Office; and shippers are requested to take Notice that a Shipping order cannot be granted unless the contents and value be distinctly marked on the outside of each package for overland transit.

J. A. OLDING, Agent.

Victoria, Hongkong, }
February 1st, 1846.

FOR MANILA.

THE Spanish Bark "PRECIOZA," daily expected from Macao, will have immediate despatch for the above port. For Freight, Apply to

GILMAN & Co.

Victoria, 6th February, 1846.

FOR SALE OR CHARTER.

TO any part of the coast of China the Schooner "STARLING," 109 Tons Register, G. Chape Commander, and now lying at the Cumshingmoon anchorage. For further particulars apply to D. LAPRAIK, 1 Wellington Terrace, Hongkong, or to the Commander on board.

Victoria, 30th January, 1846.

TO LET.

A HOUSE situated on the North Side of Gough Street. Apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

TO LET.

A Commodious and well finished Dwelling House, at the corner of Peel Street and Gage street, consisting of dining and drawing rooms, four bedrooms, offices on ground floor, with servants apartments &c. For particular apply to

GEO. STRACHAN.

THE Eastern side of the large and commodious house situated in Wellington Street and now in the occupation of Messrs Gilman & Co. For particulars apply to,

Rom Cath. College's Superior.

Victoria, 2nd December, 1845.

TO LET.

TWO Convenient Houses in Gough Street, with Verandahs, each containing nine Rooms, exclusive of outhouses, enquire of

ROWLAND REES.

Pottinger Street.

Victoria, 6th December, 1845.

TO LET.

A House in Gough Street. Apply to,

JOHN CARR.

FOR SALE.

MARINE Lot No. 64 Situated between the lots of Messrs. MACVICAR & Co. and FRANKER JAMSETJEE Esq., measures 200 feet sea frontage, and altogether is a very desirable lot. For further particulars apply to

FLETCHER & Co.—Hongkong.

or DIROM, GRAY & Co.—Canton.

Victoria, 1st July, 1845.

TO LET.

THE premises known as the office of the "Friend of China;" Three Houses situate in Wellington Street, commanding a fine view of the bay; a Shop and Store situate on the Queen's Road, in a central part of the town. Early possession can be given. For further particulars apply to

R. OSWALD.

Victoria, 19th December, 1845.

TO LET.

THE upper part of a commodious and will built dwelling House containing seven rooms with servants rooms, and outhouses with stabling. For further particular apply to,

D. LAPRAIK

No. 1 Wellington Terrace D'Aguiar Street.

Victoria, 24th October, 1845.

TO LET.

THE HOUSE in Queen's Road lately occupied by Phillips Moore & Co. Apply to

HUGHESDON & Co.

TO LET.

A spacious bungalow on Gaine's Road. Apply to HUGHESDON & Co. Victoria, 30th January, 1846.

TO LET.

SEVERAL convenient tenements situated in Wellington and Stanley Streets. The terms which are very moderate, may be known by applying to

BURD, LANGE & Co.

Queen's Road, Jan. 30th, 1846.

TO LET.

A Small House No. 2 Pottinger Street; enquire of L. Just Sennr., corner of Queen's Road and Pottinger Street.

L. JUST.

Victoria, 22nd January, 1846.

NOTICE.

PARTIES receiving letters directed to the late C. LLOYD, Esq. are requested to forward the same to the office of the undersigned at Macao. All charges or postage on the same will be paid on delivery

M. T. SENN VAN BASEL.

His Netherlands Majesty's Consul.

Executor.

Netherlands Consulate, Canton, 3rd October, 1845.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY.

MESSE DENT, BEALE & Co. are authorized to issue Policies on behalf of the Society at Shanghai, payable in Hongkong, Calcutta, Bombay, and London.

DENT, & Co.

Secs. Union Insurance Society.

Victoria, 1st January, 1846.

FOR SALE.

MADEIRA in Pipes, Hogsheads & quarter Casks from the well known House of Stoddard & Co. Port and Sherry in Cases of 2 dozen each. Hodgson and Abbots Pale Ale in Hogsheads.

Apply to DENT & Co.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM THOMPSON in our firm ceased on the 31st ultimo.

TURNER & Co.

Victoria, 23rd January, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned have received authority from the Directors of the Imperial Fire Insurance Office of London, to issue Policies on the New Buildings at Canton.

MACVICAR & Co.

Victoria, 23rd January, 1846.

FOR SALE.—AT the Godowns of Messrs Blenkin, Rawson & Co., Burton Ale in Hhds, from Worthington and Robinson.

Hongkong, 15th January 1846.

FOR SALE.

AT the Godowns of Messrs Blenkin, Rawson & Co Allsops Pale Ale in bottle; Barclay's Porter in bottle, Superior Sherry, Madeira, and Port, in wood and bottle.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned have been appointed Agents at Canton for the "Globe Insurance Office" of Calcutta, and are prepared to grant Policies payable in London, Calcutta, Bombay and Canton.

MACLEAN, DEARIE & Co.

Canton, 10th November, 1845.

FOR SALE.

THE undermentioned Wines from the House of Gledstones, King & Co. London.

Port in cases of 3 dozen

Madiera " " 3 "

Champagne " " 1 "

Apply to

LINDSAY & Co.

Victoria, 26th January, 1846.

FOR SALE.

WEBSTER, Gordon, Cossart & Co's superior Madeira, in Hhds, quarter and half quarter casks, and in cases.

FLETCHER & Co.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1845.

NOTICE.

MR F. H. TIEDEMAN is authorized to sign for our firm by procuration.

VAN DERBURG PROMSWINCKEL & Co.

Canton and Macao, 31st January, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE business of the undersigned will from this date be conducted in the name of C. S. COMPTON & Co., his partners being as heretofore, EDWARD M. DANIELL, and WILLIAM DICKINSON of the firm of DANIELL, DICKINSON & Co. in London and Liverpool.

C. S. COMPTON.

Canton, 1st January, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE Firm of FEARON & Son, Macao, is this day dissolved; and the undersigned has removed to Nos. 2 & 3, Wellington Street, Victoria; where he will be happy to attend to the adjustment of average claims as usual.

C. A. FEARON.

Victoria, 1st February, 1846.

MR. ROBERT JACOB is authorized to sign our firm by procuration.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Victoria, 25th December, 1845.

TABULAR Statements of the Commerce of Singapore for the years 1840-41, 1841-42, 1842-43, 1843-44 with an abstract view of the same continued in 1845, (in one bound Volume) prepared under the direction of the Hon'ble the E. I. Company, and compiled from Official Documents. For Sale by R. P. SAUL,

at Messrs. THOS. RIPLEY & Co's. Price 10 Rupees each. Victoria, 23d January, 1846

NOTICE.

MR WILLIAM WARD BROWN is authorized to sign for our Firm by procuration.

HEGAN & Co.

1st January, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have formed a partnership, for the transaction of a general Agency and Commission business, under the respective Firms of RAWLE, DUUS & Co. at Victoria, and DUUS, RAWLE & Co. at Shanghai.

S. B. RAWLE.

N. DUUS

Victoria, Hongkong, 1st October, 1845.

FOR SALE.

GRATES complete with mantel pieces. Also a few handsome Stoves.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

Victoria, 23rd January, 1846.

FOR SALE.

BY the undersigned 26 Boxes of Turkish smoking Tobacco.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

Victoria, 17th January, 1846.

PIANO FORTES.

A very elegant Rosewood cabinet Piano, 6½ Octaves, with metallic plates; also a Mahogany Piano of a similar description for sale at the Godowns of,

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

ROMAN CEMENT.

FOR sale at the Godown's of the undersigned a consignment of Roman Cement.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

Victoria, Queen's Road, 9th Feby. 1846.

JUST Received per late arrivals and for sale by the subscribers.

Patent Salamander Safes of various sizes warranted secure in the hottest fire.

ALSO. Patent Weighing Machines from 700 a 2,300 pounds, which can be made to weigh peculs and cetties.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

Victoria, 28th October, 1845.

FOR SALE.

SUPERIOR Sherry and Madeira in wood; also a few half pipes and quarter casks Cape and Tenerife Wines, Sherry, Madeira, Port, Claret, Cognac, Cherry Brandy, in 1 2 & 3 dozen cases.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

Victoria, 28th October, 1845.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED.

AN assortment of Anchors and Chain Cables, Europe, Manila and Coir Rope, Hemp and Cotton Canvass, and several Spars for lower and topmasts.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

Victoria, 28th October, 1845.

WAGHORN & Co's. AGENCY.

THE undersigned has been appointed Agent for Messrs Waghorn & Co., and is prepared to forward parcels to England and India by the Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steam vessels which sail from this port on the 1st of every month.

N. DUUS.

Victoria, 23rd January, 1846.

FOR SALE.

TWO Ponies; one accustomed to carry a Lady. Both warranted sound. Apply to,

N. DUUS.

Queen's Road, 15 Jan: 1846.

CIRCULAR.

W. H. FRANKLYN, Queen's Road, Victoria, has removed to the above premises from Keying House, where he will in future carry on the business of wholesale and retail commission and shipping Agent, general dealer, auctioneer and Wine and Spirit merchant. Goods stored in dry and secure godowns and forwarded on the most moderate terms. The undersigned has Lorchas and a Schooner running regularly to Canton, Cumshingmoon and Macao. Charges for passengers as follows:—

To Canton ea. \$6

" Cumshingmoon \$4

" Macao " \$5

These vessels are all well armed and part manned with Europeans. Every variety of goods on view at the Show rooms.

SPLENDID FURNITURE.

MR W. H. FRANKLYN has the honor to announce to the community of Victoria that he has received instructions to submit to Public competition at an early day hereafter to be named a most unique and rich assortment of English Furniture, to which he begs to call attention, as he feels assured that nothing of the kind heretofore has been landed in the colony. Consisting of

RECLINING CHAIRS in Crimson and Purple Morocco adjusting themselves to the posture and in which to sit to repose. Superb and Costly CABINETS AND CHIFFONNIERS

FAULDS. MIRRORS in Cloth and Gold—Gold and Mahogany.

TABLES Round, Square, Oval of the highest polish in Rosewood and Mahogany, unrivaled

COUCHES, SOFAS AND OTTOMANS with spring horsehair cushions wooing balmy sleep to the fortunate possessor.

CURIOUSLY ELEGANT LADIES' TOILETS with handsome Mirrors above, of a late fashion.

ALSO. Rocking and Bed Room Easy Chairs, dining and drawing ditto, Washing Tables with Marble tops dressing ditto and a variety of looking glasses of every description with an assortment of Perfumery, highly ornamented Musical Boxes playing 4 and 6 tunes.

The whole to be on view from Monday next the 26th instant till the day of Sale (of which due notice will be given) at the Godowns of Messrs Hegan & Co. Spring Gardens. Queen's Road, 24th January, 1846.

VALUABLE ESTATE

BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. FRANKLYN has been favored with Instructions to put up to the Public competition on the 25th proximo, the whole of the Valuable property in one lot comprising:

That commodious and well built Dwelling House now occupied by Messrs MURROW & Co. containing large and well lighted Offices and Godowns, Servants Rooms, Stables, and every other convenience with Granite Treasury on ground floor; on the first floor large Drawing room and Five Bed rooms, with Five Grates in excellent repair.

Those Two Houses immediately below the above occupied by J. POPE Esq., and R. RANGEL Esq., containing Servants rooms, Treasuries, Stables etc. etc. on Ground floor, and on First Floor, Drawing rooms, Three Bed rooms, Dressing rooms, with large Verandahs to each; together with.

That highly valuable Piece of Ground adjoining, and fronting Aberdeen and Wellington Streets.

The Above Houses were carefully built, regardless of Expense, under the Superintendence of Europeans, they are well drained, in excellent repair, and situated in one of the most healthy and respectable part of the Town being in and adjoining one of the most fashionable Streets.

They are formed for a refreshing coolness, not to be found in less elevated and more crowded localities. The whole are tenanted for this year certain, and produce a yearly Rental of about \$2,500, which will revert to the Purchasers from 1st proximo.

TO THE CAPITALISTS.

This presents a safe and rare opportunity for investing money which will continue to yield a high rate of Interest, as the situation will always insure Tenants, and become more Valuable from year to year. To those requiring a residence an opportunity now offer itself of procuring one delightful, airy, dry and well aired—no small consideration in this climate—and which will readily realize its Value at any future period.

The Piece of Ground fronting two of the leading thoroughfares, (dimensions of which will appear hereafter) is admirably calculated for a large Dwelling or House of Business, and is worthy the attention of Builders and others.

MR. FRANKLYN confidently invites inspection of this Estate. Full particulars can be obtained on application at his Office, Queen's Road. Victoria, January 29th, 1846.

LAND AND HOUSES.

FOR Sale Inland lot No. 124 situate west of the Hon. Major Caines late residence.

Measures on North side on a Public Road 173 feet, South 203 feet. East on Road 120 feet, West on ditto 115 feet. The whole contains 21,735 square feet and can be disposed of with those two neat and well built European Bungalows there on standing, or in portions if not less than 2000 square feet to suit purchasers.

The Houses are in a remarkably dry and healthy situation, and command a fine view of the Bay. Apply to

Mr FRANKLYN.

Land Agent &c. &c.

Queen's Road, February 3rd, 1846.

CURIOSITIES.

ON view and for sale at Mr FRANKLYN'S Show Rooms Queen's Road. A small but neat assortment of Chinese Curio's in carved Hambo, Wood and Copper.

Also, an inventory of Brass Musical Instruments consisting of French Horns, Key Bugles, Trumpets and Ophicleids.

HOUSES.

FOR private sale that unfinished house situate in Wellington Street and facing the one occupied by Mon's Dupuis, French Tailor. Apply to

W. H. FRANKLYN.

Land Agent &c.

Queen's Road, February 3rd, 1846.

ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the Friend of China.

Sir,—Can you inform me if a building can legally be styled an encroachment on a Public Road that was erected many months before the Road was planned or thought of; and also what distance of time a Hongkong Ordinance can extend to, in advance of its becoming law.

Your obedient Servant,

A VOICE FROM THE ROCKS

I think a reference to the latter part of the 15th verse of the 4th Chap of Romans ought to answer my second question.

NOTE.—Hongkong ordinances are such extraordinary documents that we feel diffident in answering our Correspondent's queries. The reference he has made to Scripture deserves the attention of our law makers.

NOTICE.

New advertisements, will be received, until 4 O'Clock, on the evenings previous to publication, viz: Tuesdays and Fridays.

LATEST DATES.

Table with columns for location (England, United States, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Sydney) and dates (Nov. 24, Oct. 1, Dec. 9, Dec. 13, Dec. 16, Dec. 28).

FRIEND OF CHINA AND HONGKONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 1846.

MANILA.

We have before us a letter from Manila, dated the 27th Ult., complaining of the very unnecessary obstacles which are thrown in the way of Sugar shipments, by the British Consul at that Port. Sugar from Manila is admitted into Great Britain at certain duties, when accompanied with a document from the Consul resident at that place, certifying that the Sugar is the produce of the Philippines. The British Merchants of Manila, upon applying for such certificates make a declaration in writing that the Sugar is really and bona fide the growth of the country; the declaration is always accompanied with a certificate from the Collector of the Customs to the same effect. There being no country in the east, or probably in the world, where Sugar is grown so cheap as in Manila, the simple declaration of a respectable Merchant, that the Sugar for which he asks a certificate, is the produce of the Philippines may be looked upon as satisfactory proof, were it merely from the well known fact that Sugar grown elsewhere cannot be laid down at the prices current at that place.

The conduct of the British Consul at Manila probably reminds his countrymen of a vulgar observation about "dogs in office," &c. &c. which is often brought to our remembrance in Hongkong. The stipulations and spirit of the Act of Parliament are not to be mistaken. They are such as are necessary, to prevent the introduction, into entropot, of Sugar the produce of Slave labour, which might be shipped to Great Britain, for admission at the low duty imposed on Sugars produced by free labour. In Manila such precautions are quite uncalled for. The nearest sugar raising countries, are China, Siam, and Java; and as the Sugar grown in these countries can be shipped to England direct, and entered as the produce of free labour, it is absurd to suppose that any sane man would incur the expense of first sending it to Manila, on purpose to obtain a false certificate. Indeed, to the east of the Cape, there is no colony, or country, from whence slave grown Sugar could be imported into Manila, with the single exception of the French Island of Bourbon; and as the Sugar grown there commands a higher figure on the spot than it would realize in Manila, (even were it landed at the latter place free of freight, and charges, which would be at least £3 a ton,) it is evident that Slave grown Sugar from Bourbon cannot be shipped to any foreign country, with the intention of its being admitted into Great Britain at the reduced duty. Such Sugar may be smuggled into our own colony of the Mauritius, and from thence shipped to England as Colonial Sugar, being admitted at the differential duty of 10s. 3d. per Cwt.

The Belgian Government also requires certificates of growth on the admission of Sugar, but the Belgian Consul General at Manila is satisfied with the declaration of the Shipper, knowing that Slave grown Sugar—produced by free labour Sugar—cannot be first smuggled

into Manila, and then exported at the same rates as the Sugar of the Philippine Islands. If the English Consul is ignorant of this he must be ignorant indeed, and quite unfit for the Office he holds.

The Official Organ appears anxious that we should lend our aid in drawing him from the obscurity of toadyism by an occasional notice of his absurdities. Not contented with the first appearance of official documents in his columns, and the slice of the "ordinary contingencies" which he receives as the obsequious parasite of Government House, and the Chronicler of their feasts (when they are given at the public expense)—not content, we say, with the perquisites of servility, and the advantages of the first appearance of official documents, the Organ avariciously repines that we should make use of the common privilege of copying such of them as we deem of importance. We would be loathe to encroach upon the privileges of the Government paper—we are well satisfied that the wages he receives are but a poor compensation for the sacrifice of his independence, and the consequent loss of self esteem—but we submit that reprinting official documents, we do not in the slightest degree encroach upon his privileges, or supposed privileges—after public documents once appear, they become public property, and the querulous objections of the "Prince of Printers (Devils?) are childish and ridiculous. The Organ is proud of his qualifications as a printer, and we admit that, in this respect, he far surpasses the Friend of China; but we really think that he would display better taste were he to say less about his typographical beauties; and he would afford some evidence of his capacity as an Editor, were he to give a little of his attention to passing events. In his last issue—the result of a week's cogitation—is 40 lines of self commendation, and impudent remarks upon a contemporary, who would avoid, were it possible, taking any notice of a Journal, which by the Affidavit of two Gentlemen well known in China, is a notorious perverter of truth; but the Official Organ will not be contented unless he figures before the public, were it even in the contemptible character he appeared in on the memorable occasion to which we have referred.

To descend from great to small, we step from the editorials of the China Mail to an advertisement from "C. McLeod, Captain, Secretary, Mess 42nd Regiment." Such is the signature attached to the advertisement, but our readers at home, to prevent confusion, must understand, that the 42nd Regiment referred to, is not the celebrated Scotch Regiment, but the 42nd Madras Native Infantry. We like to be correct, and hence this explanation. The advertisement to which Captain McLeod objects was brought to this office by the person known as the officer's Messman, and was inserted as a matter of course, there not being the slightest reason to doubt its correctness, and the subject to which it referred (the loss of some blue plates) being so probable, and at the same time so trifling a matter, that it could not have been supposed that the man was acting improperly in requesting that the advertisement be published. After the appearance of the said advertisement, the Editor received a letter from Capt. McLeod, requesting that no advertisements should appear in the Friend of China, unless signed by an Officer of the regiment. Capt. McLeod further requested, that his letter should appear in a prominent part of the paper. The publication of such a letter would have been too absurd, and it was returned; intimation, however, being given to the Clerk in this office not to receive any advertisements from the Mess of the 42nd unless signed by an officer of that corps. Capt. McLeod was also informed that, the proper way to contradict the advertisement of his Messman, would be by a counter advertisement. It was presumed that in his advertisement, Capt. McLeod would have had the good taste to confine himself to the subject of his "blue plates with white figures," but such was not the case, as the advertisement contained the same request as the letter, viz. that the Editor would not admit advertisements in future without the signature of the Secretary or of some of the Officers. Capt. McLeod's request was quite reasonable as a private intimation to the publisher, and of course would have been attended to—as attention is given to the instructions of every other person who advertises in the paper—but the publication of his instructions to that effect appears too absurd. By reversing the case, we think Captain McLeod will be of our opinion. Suppose that the Proprietor of this paper were to address a letter to Captain McLeod, stating that if his account was not paid on a certain day, an action would be raised against him in the court for the recovery of petty debts; and suppose further that, the Proprietor of the paper published the letter. Captain McLeod, under the circumstances, would think himself hardly used; but the usage would be precisely that which he would have bestowed—and in fact has bestowed—upon others.

We must apologise to our readers for taking so much notice of this trifling affair; we were induced to do so, lest Captain McLeod's advertisement should convey an impression, that we had taken undue advantage of our position, and knowingly given publicity to some erroneous statements. That such was not the case we think will be the opinion of those who read this paragraph; and we drop the subject, leaving it for Captain McLeod and his Messman to settle their differences about the "blue plates with white flowers" which were wont to adorn the Mess table of the 42nd Madras Native Infantry.

Since the above was in type, the Messman has called to say, that he advertised for the plates, in consequence of having been obliged to pay for them by the Officers of the Mess.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.

- FEBRUARY, 10, Privateer, Martell, Cumsingmoon. 11, Ardaseer, Evans, Cumsingmoon. 11, Corsair (steam), Soames, Canton. 11, H. M. T. S. Sapphire, Flitock, Calcutta and Singapore. 13, Seiva (Balley), Kundsen, Teimor. 13, Preciosa (Spanish), Pardo, Manila. 13, Lynx, Hely, from the Coast.

PASSENGERS.

Per Sapphire—Deputy Assistant Commissary General Routh.

SAILED.

- FEBRUARY, 10, Victor, Morgan, London. 10, Sil (Spanish), Espejo, Macao. 12, Corsair (steam), Soames, Canton. 12, Natchez (Am), Waterman, Whampoa.

REPORTS.

Jane (Dutch), P. Berg, Macao and Java. Preciosa (Spanish), Pardo, Manila.

VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR.

- H. M. S. Dardalus, Captain McQuhae. H. M. S. Vestal, Captain Talbot. H. M. S. Hazard, Commander Egerton. H. C. Str. Pluto, Commander Airy. H. M. Tr. S. Sapphire, Commander Flitock. H. M. Tr. S. Alligator, Commander King. H. M. S. Minden, 2nd Master in charge Osmer, Hospital and Store Ship. Anglona, Lane, Macvicar and Co. Ardaseer, Evans, Macvicar and Co. Bomanjee Hormasjee, Coates, J. Matheson and Co. Calcutta, Captain J. Matheson and Co. Emma, Frasar, J. Matheson and Co. Gazelle (Am), Chase, Macvicar and Co. Jane (Dutch), P. Berg, Dent and Co. John Barry, Clarke, Macvicar and Co. Kelpie, Sime, Younghusband and Co. Linnet, J. Crooke & Massey. Lord Althorp, Elliott, Dent and Co. Lynx, Hely, James P. Sturgis. Midas (Am. st. shr), Poor, Bush and Co. Paul Jones, Watkins, Bush and Co. Pearl, Smardon, Gilman and Co. Preciosa (Sp), Pardo, Bush and Co. Privateer, Martell, Burd, Lange and Co. Seiva (Balley), Kundsen, Gilman and Co. Starling, Chape, William Lane. Syed Khan, Smart, Wetmore and Co. Theresa, Dent and Co. Wissahickon (Am), Webber, Zephyr, Mann.

SHIPPING AT WHAMPOA.

- H. M. S. Agincourt, Captain Johnstone, Flag of Rear-Admiral Sir Thomas Cochrane. H. M. Str. Vize, Commander Gifford. Amherst, Biale, A. A. de Mello. Audax, Oliver, J. Matheson and Co. Corsair (steam), Soames, J. Matheson and Co. Devil, Furley, Hansen. Fliberty, Grierson, Fletcher and Co. Good Success, Cowie, J. Matheson and Co. Greyhound Hutchinson, Lindsay and Co. John Christian, Thomas, Diron, Gray and Co. Joven Corin, Dring, D & M Rustomjee and Co. Justina (Dutch), Rish, J. M. S. Van Basel. P. Adler (Prussian), Schutt, Russell and Co. Rosanna, Crighton, Turner and Co. Sultana, Wadge, D. & M. Rustomjee and Co. Titania, A. F. Anson, Fletcher and Co. Will I is Girl, Buckton, Captain Blenkin, Rawson and Co. W. Jardine, Small.

VESSELS AT MACAO.

- Fatal Hair (Dut), Ingals, J. M. S. Van Basel. Harriet, C. Sapoorjee Lungrah. Isabella Robertson, Kelly, F. J. de Paiva. John (Swede), Oltberg, Cumsingmoon, J. M. & Co. Lady Hayes, Langley, J. Matheson and Co. Lyra, Grosvenor, J. A. Durrant. Sil (Span), Espejo, Rawle, Duns and Co. Snipe, Eadicott, A. Heard and Co.

AMERICAN AT WHAMPOA AND MACAO.

- U. S. S. Columbus (74), Com. Biddle, Bogue forts. U. S. Corvette Vincennes, Captain Paulding. Lechoe, Hatch, Russell and Co. Medara, Cooke, Wetmore and Co. Natchez, Waterman, Russell and Co. Tartar, Lockwood, Olyphant and Co. Yumchi, Steele, Wetmore and Co.

FOR LONDON.

THE A 1 Ship "WILLIAM JARDINE" Capt Small, will be despatched about the 20th inst.; has very superior accommodation for passengers. For passage only, apply to Captain SMALL on board, or to, BLENKIN, RAWSON & Co. Hongkong or Canton. Victoria, 12th February, 1846.

THE Steamer "CORSAIR," will run between Hongkong and Canton with further notice, leaving Hongkong on Monday and Friday, and Canton on Wednesday and Saturday. For freight of Treasure &c. or Passage, apply to Capt. SOAMES, on Board. Victoria, 12th February, 1846.

TO BE LET.

THAT Commodious House, now occupied by Mr. Gabriel, as the "British Hotel," situated in Stanley and Graham Streets. Possession can be given on the 4th of March, 1846. For further particulars apply to C. MARKWICK, Auctioneer, Pottinger Street, Victoria, 15th Feb, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned has been appointed Agent at Macao for the India Insurance Company of Calcutta; and is ready to grant Policies, payable in London, Liverpool, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Penang, Singapore and China. J. J. REMEDIOS. Macao, 1st February, 1846.

RESIN.—An invoice of this article to be sold low. Apply to, McEWEN & Co. Queen's Road and Chinam's Hong.

HOLMES & BIGHAM have formed a partnership and opened a Store, two doors East of the house occupied by General D'Aguiar, where they have on Sale.

- Cumberland Hams, Wiltshire Cheeses, English Pickled Tongues, Beef and Pork, Beer, Porter, Brandy, Rum, Gin and Whiskey in bottles or cask, Champagne and Claret, Port, Sherry, and Cordials &c. Blankets and Clothing of every description, White Lead, Paint Oil, and Turpentine, Sheet Lead, Patent Water Closets, and a variety of other articles. H. & B. have also received an Invoice of Gold and Silver Watches "Hornby" Maker, Liverpool.

JUST LANDED AND FOR SALE.

BLACK Lace of different sizes, Checked Muslin, Damask Napkins, Towelling, and Bathing Towels, Cotton Dresses of different qualities, and a few Morocco skins, also a few Muslin-Delaine Dresses. L. E. CHRISTOPHER. Victoria, 12th February, 1846.

JUST Received, and for sale by the undersigned, an assortment of Gold Pens in Silver Cases; a very superior article. W. S. HEYL, Queen's Road.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Will be sold on Saturday 14th inst. (to day) at 11 o'clock A. M. at the side Rooms of the undersigned.

A quantity of very superior Flour, warranted of first quality, 20 Boxes Soap, Black Hats, Umbrellas, 1 pair "Newton's Globes" in Stands, 1 Grand Piano Forte, Music Stool &c. &c., 4 Wheel Carriage, 1 set Carriage Harness (new) lot Bullocks Horns and Hoofs, Glass Ware, Cheese in Tins, Paint Oil, Butter in Kegs, &c. &c.

W. S. HEYL, Auctioneer

Victoria, February 12, 1846.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. FRANKLYN begs to call attention to his sale of Velvets, Velveteens and Piece Goods THIS DAY at 11 A. M.

At 8 P. M. sale of Books, Pictures, Wines, Cherries and sundry other articles.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

IN THE SUPREME COURT, CHUNG-KEE VERSUS CHUNG-ACHOU, SHERIFF'S Sale, on Monday, the 16th Day of February, 1846, Mr Markwick will sell by Public Auction, at 10 o'clock A. M. on his premises "Pottinger Street," a quantity of Household furniture, consisting of Chairs, Couches, Tables, Drawers, Washstands, Camphor Wood Boxes &c. &c. unless the execution be previously satisfied. C. G. HOLDFORTH, Deputy Sheriff.

Victoria, February 10th, 1846.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

C. MARKWICK. WILL sell by Public Auction on Wednesday 18th February, 1846, at 11 o'clock A. M. at the Commissariat.

The undermentioned Surplus Stores, Between 4 and 5000 Gallons of Bengal Rum, Ship Biscuit in bag, and a quantity of Empty packages.

Terms of sale, Cash before delivery, all Lots to be cleared the same day. Victoria, 14th February, 1846.

NOTICE.

ON the 25th Instant will be sold by Public Auction, by order of E. Barnett Esq. U. S. Naval Store-keeper, a quantity of Condemned Stores, consisting of 63,062 lbs. Bread, 3,942 lbs. Butter, 4,351 lbs. Sour Krout, 2,066 lbs. Dried Apples, 1,500 lbs. Coffee, and 1,500 lbs. Cocoa; also one barrel of Pork, and seven Pea Jacket; the whole will be sold off without reserve, at the Naval Store, Praya Manduco; further particulars will be published in Handbills.

JNO: SMITH. Macao, 7th February, 1846.

ORIENTAL BANK.

NOTICE.—Is hereby given that Messrs James Sinclair and James Mackenzie are appointed Joint Managers ad interim of the China Branch of this Bank.

By order of The Indian Board of Directors. S. J. D. CAMPBELL, General Inspector of the Oriental Bank. Victoria, Hongkong, 27th January, 1846.

MR J. MILLER returns thanks to the numerous friends who have assisted him with their patronage, and begs to inform them, that he has now a lot of the best flour, of which his flour is made, and he only asks those who have not tried it, to have a few loaves, and he feels assured that they will pronounce it the best ever used in Hongkong from any baker's Shop. N.B. The Flour, of "Meida."

WANTED.

BAKER. One who understands his business in all its branches, and of steady habits. Apply to J. MILLER, No. 1 & 2 Cornwall Buildings, 15th Feb, 1846.

FOR SALE.

SAUNDERS Pale October brewed ale in Wood, Allsops Beer in Wood, Port and Sherry, Champagne and Claret. Apply to ROBERT STRACHAN. Victoria, 25th July, 1845.

SODA WATER.

ON SALE.—At the Store of Mr. John Smith in Macao from Dr. Hunter's Soda Water Manufactory there. Macao, 11th January, 1845.

FOR SALE.

MEDHURST'S Chinese & English Dictionary, 8 10.00 Ditto ditto in superior binding, 11.00 Medhurst's Dictionary of the Hok-keen Dialect, 10.00 Medhurst's Comparative Vocabulary of the Chinese, Korean and Japanese language, 2.00 Medhurst's Dictionary in the Favouring Dialect of the Formosan language, 2.00 Medhurst's Dialogues in the Mandarin Dialect, 2.50 Medhurst's Notice on Chinese Grammar, 1.50 Medhurst's State and Prospects of China, 2.00 Collier's Translation of the four Books, 2.00 Premare's Notitia Linguae Sinicae, 5.00 Rambles of the Emperor Ching-Tih: a Chinese Tale, translated into English by Tsun-Shien, late of the Anglo-Chinese College, Malacca, 5.00 A Lexilogus of the English, Malay and Chinese Language, 1.50 Apply at the London Missionary Society's Institution Hollywood Road, Victoria, 20th January, 1845.

COOK WANTED for the Mess of the 42nd M. N. I. A liberal salary will be given to a person well qualified. Apply to Captain McLennan, Mess Secretary. Victoria, 6th February, 1846.

COZINHEIRO.—Preciza-se hum para o Rancho do Regimento 42 da I. N. M. Dar-se-lhe-ha hum salario liberal, sendo hem qualificado. Applique-se a Capitão McLennan, Secretario do Rancho. Victoria, 6 de Fevereiro, 1846.

過明做禮西仔 工囉白厨治境 銀行到師文萬 面處急傳要咁處 議便是頓係一刺科 是勿樣名吵地

PORTO NOVO IRON WORKS.

THE INDIA IRON and STEEL COMPANY, have again blown in their Furnaces, and are now ready to execute orders for Pig Iron and Iron Castings of every description.

From improvements in the Manufacture of their Iron, they are now capable of making Castings of the softest description and malleability, and of great strength which can be filed, turned and bored with ease.

The uniform and excellent strong quality of their Pig together with the superiority of their Castings, give them confidence in the perfect certainty of executing any orders they may receive to the entire satisfaction of those who may employ them.

The arrangements to complete their Forge are nearly finished, and they hope by the beginning of the year to supply Bar Iron of all sizes, uniform in quality and equal to the best European Marks.

Castings of the following description may be procured:—

Large Castings:—Columns or Pillars, Beams and Pipes, for Buildings, &c.

Small Castings:—Plain and Ornamental Brackets for Wall Shade, Lamps, Shelves, &c.

Do. Do.—Railways and Balusters.

Do. Do.—Bedsteads with and without Posts.

Hinges and Bolts for large Gates and Doors

Castors for Beds, or for Tables or Boxes.

Pestles and Mortars of large and small sizes, and many other Castings of the like description too numerous to mention.

Order or Letters of enquiry addressed to their Agents.—

Messrs. BAINBRIDGE & Co, Madras.

TULLOCH & Co, Calcutta

REMINGTON & Co, Bombay, or to the Managing Director at Porto Novo, shall be immediately attended to.

CARD.

THE undersigned has established himself in this place as a Commission and General Agent in connection with Messrs FOLBER BROUENS & Co. (Speecher, Canton Appenrell) Switzerland carrying on business under this name and on account of this firm. L. EUYSTER. Manila, 13th July, 1845.

NOTICE.

JUST opened and for Sale at the stores of the undersigned.

A large assortment of Carpeting all patterns, Hearth Rugs &c. &c. Tartan and Check Cloths, Drills and White Cotton and worsted Hoes, Ladies Musline De Laine and Printed Dresses, Lace and a large assortment of Perfumery, stationary Table linen and Oilmans Stores of all descriptions Candles &c.

Queen's Road. D CHISHOLM. Victoria, November 21st, 1845.

FOR SALE.

ANCHORS, Chains, Europe and Manila Rope, Navy and bleached Canvas, Navy Lark, Bunting, Paints, Oil, Salt Provisions, Bread, Flour and Marine Stores of all descriptions, Wines, Spirits, Beer and Porter in wood and bottle, Iron and Lead Water pipe, Sheet Lead, Solder, Ocre, Plaster of Paris and Stencelling Patterns, Stores, Grates with Feeders &c. to match. Nautical Almanacs for 1846, and Manila Cheroots No 3 and 4.

HUMPHREYS & Co.

13 Queen's Road, Victoria, 1st December, 1845.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

POTTINGER STREET.

Is constantly supplied with Medicines of all kinds, which are for sale at moderate prices. Particular care is taken in the selection and preservation of those articles, the Chemical nature of which is liable to change in a warm climate. Those remedial Agents adapted to the treatment of intertropical diseases, will be found of excellent quality.

SODA WATER AND LEMONADE OF SUPERIOR QUALITY.

Handsome Mahogany Family Medicine chests. Ships Medicine Chests replenished. Patent Enema and Elastic Urethra Syringes, Double and Single Trusses for Inguinal Hernia,

THE FOLLOWING PATENT AND PROPRIETARY MEDICINES &c.

Murray's Fluid Magnesia and Acidulated Syrup, Dakin's Family Pills, Digestive pills, Aetheral Essence of Ginger, Camphorated Chalk and Rose Tooth powders, Compound Fluid Extract of Sarsaparilla, Frank's Specific Solution of Copaiba, Gelatine Capsules of Copaiba, Seidlitz and Soda powders.

Hendrie's Perfumed Lavender Water, Smyths Bears' Grease, Indelible Marking Ink, Tooth Brushes, Smelling Salts in cut glass bottles, Arrow-Root, patent Groats and Barley, Fine Turkey Sponge, Peppermint, Cayenne & Ginger Lozenges Refined Liquorice, Pate de Jujubes, Salad Oil &c. &c.

Victoria, February 4th, 1846.

DISPENSARY,

4 French Hong,

CANTON.

FOR SALE THE FOLLOWING

SELECT MEDICINES &c.

BUTLERS Tasteless Seidlitz Powders. Concentrated Decoction of Sarsaparilla, of double strength, to obviate fermentation. Capsules Gelatineuses. Castor Oil Capsules. Concentrated Disinfectings. Solution of Chloride of Lime. Stomachic Bitters. Spirit of Camphor. Castor Oil, Superior Cold drawn. Liston's Healing Solution. Rose Water. Granville's Lotion. Prepared Chalk. Perfumed Chalk Balls. Lip Salvee. Aromatic Syrup of Rhubarb. Tooth Powder. Hydriodate of Potash. Carbonate of Soda in Bottles. Gregory's Powder. Chalybeate Salts. Quinine in Bottle and in Pills. Turkey Rhubarb. Balsamic Paste. Suspensory Baudages. Hernia trusses. Ear Syringes. Urethra de Bone and Galls. Lavement Machines. Patent Lint. Specific Solution of Hydriodate of Potash and Sarsaparilla etc. for Rheumatism and Chronic Cutaneous affections. Spirits of Wine. Medicine Chests etc. etc. etc.

E. CULLEN,

4 French Hong, Canton.

THE undersigned has just received from England by the "William Jardine" the following articles expressly ordered for this market of a superior quality.

Foolscap, Letter and note Paper, together with Envelopes and other stationery.

Mirrors, Hair, Tooth, and Nail Brushes, Complete Breakfast, Dinner and tea services, Good pickled Butter in Jars, Sauces of all kinds, Assorted Pickles, Fruits, Currants in Jars, Anchovy, Sauce and Paste, Mustard in lbs and half pounds

Curtis and Harvey's Diamond grain powder, Old dark Brandy in cask.

C. W. BOWRA.

Victoria, 28th January 1846.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned have this day removed their establishment to the house west side of the Ordnance Office.

PHILLIPS, MOORE & Co.

Victoria, 22nd January, 1846.

ON SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED.

LOOKING Glasses in gilt frames of various sizes Toilet Bottles Plated Epergnes Gilt and Ormolu fourteen day clocks.

PHILLIPS MOORE & Co.

January 20th, 1846.

SMITH & BRIMELOW.

Ship Chandlers, Wholesale and Retail Wine and Spirit Merchants, and Commission Agents &c. No 1 & 2 WOOSNAM'S BUILDINGS.

HAVE for sale all kinds of Stores suitable for Ships; such as Canvas, Blocks, Rope, Twine, Beef, Pork, &c. &c. Also Stores suitable for families, Double Gloucester Cheese, Butter in small Kegs and Jars, York ham, Coffee, Chocolate, Preserved Meats and Soups, Sauces and Pickles assorted, Sardines Prunes, Bloom Raisins, Pearl Barley, Jams and Jellies, Tea in small packages superior Bristol Tripe, Salmon, Tongues.

ALSO

Beer and Porter in Cask, Barclay and Perkins Stout in bottles, Allopp's Beer.

Superior Port and Sherry, Madeira in wood and bottles, Videmia, old Cognac, Whiskey in cask and bottle, Cask Brand y, Cherry Cordia, and a variety of other articles.

Victoria, 20th December 1845.

SODA WATER

AND

PERATED LEMONADE.

TO be obtained at the manufactory of the undersigned.

SMITH & BRIMELOW.

No 1 and 2 Woosnam's Buildings, corner of Pottinger Street.

MESSRS. SMITH & BRIMELOW have just received ex "William Jardine" a choice selection of the following articles:

Durham Mustard in pound and 1/2 lb. bottles Assorted pickles and Sauces Tart Fruits White Wine and raspberry Vinegar French Olives and capers Jams and Jellies assorted Loaf and pine Cheeses Bacon in 12 lbs. pieces, in Cloth and glaizo Prime Yorkshire Hams Sardines in butter Dried Apples Prime mess beef in small barrells and Tierces A few Casks of superior light and dark brandy.

ALSO

A small invoice of fine white Cotton Socks. The above articles are from the well known house of CHARLES, HEATON & Co. LONDON.

February 6th, 1845.

SMITH & BRIMELOW have for sale a Choice lot of Goldner's Preserved Meat and Soups just arrived viz:

Vegetable Soap Hare Do. Mock Turtle Do. Concentrated Gravy Soup and Bouilli Minced Veal Roast legs of Lamb Stewed Veal and Green Peas Ox Cheek and Vegetables Stewed Lamb and Do. Ragout of Lamb Spiced Beef Green Peas Tripe and Onions Irish Stew &c. &c.

Febry. 10th, 1846, No. 1 & 2 Woosnam's Hall

JUST IMPORTED.

EX "ADEN" Superfine Blue Cloth 1st quality; Gent's superior White and Colored Silk Gloves, a small Invoice of Shoes and a few Riding Whips.

F FUNCK.

Victoria, 9th January, 1846.

JUST RECEIVED.

AND for Sale by the undersigned, a few pieces of superior Tartan suitable for Coats and Trowsers.

F. FUNCK.

Opposite the Commissariat. Victoria, 2nd January, 1846.

L. E. CHRISTOPHER begs to inform the Ladies of Hongkong that he has just received by the "Braganza" a splendid assortment of ladies French Silk and Gauze dresses, Baroge cachemire, Glacé broche, Baroge saun, Labrador, Veloutine fleurie, and other robes; Ladies plaid Silk shawls and Scarfs, Cravates goullees, and Mille raies, of the latest style, which he offers with confidence as being the newest and most distinguished lot of goods that has yet been received in Hongkong.

Also gentlemen's Black Silk and Satin Cravats and Waistcoatings of superior quality.

BRITISH HOTEL.

M. GABRIEL has taken a commodious house situated at the Corner of Graham Street, a short distance south of the Queen's Road, which he intends to conduct as a Hotel under the above title. Gentlemen favouring him with their patronage will find their comfort strictly attended to.

All the articles supplied will be of the first rate description. A Thurston's Billiard Table ex the Premises. Victoria, 14th March, 1845.

McEWEN & Co.

GENERAL Commission and Shipping Agents Wine Beer and Spirit Merchants. And Auctioneers Queen's Road & Chinams Hong.

Supply Ships, Families and foreign residents at the consular ports, with all descriptions of Stores, Salt provisions, Wine, Beer and Spirits upon moderate terms.

Also dry and convenient storage for goods. Victoria, 1st January, 1846.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims upon the undersigned are requested to send in their accounts for adjustment; and all persons indebted are requested to make immediate payment to.

JOHN KAINS.

Victoria, 6th January, 1846.

FOR SALE.—By the undersigned. Champagne, Brandy, Beer, and Stout, all of the first quality.

EDWARD NEWMAN. Victoria 7th October, 1845.

FOR SALE.

JUST landed a few Hogsheads Superior Dark Colored Brandy. Also, Dark and Pale Colored Cognac in bottle, of first quality.

McEWEN & Co.

Queen's Road. Victoria, 20th Jan., 1846.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber having succeeded Mr. P. Townsend, as Auctioneer and Commission Agent, respectfully solicits the patronage of the Merchants and foreign Residents in Hongkong and China, and hopes by a prompt attention to business, to merit a continuance of the patronage bestowed upon his predecessor.

WILLIAM S. HEYL.

At the Old Stand Queen's Road Victoria, 2nd December, 1845.

FOR SALE.

ONE Complete Copy of the Chinese Repository. Apply to, W. S. HEYL.

FOR SALE.

ON the Store of the Subscriber. Sherry and Madeira Wine in Wood and Bottles; Port Wine in Cases; Peppermint Cordial; Ale in Wood; Porter and Cider in Bottles; Superior American Butter; Corn meal; Family Beef in 1/2 Bbls; Neats Tongues; Rounds; Tobacco; Segars No 3 and 4, Manila Cheroots in 1000 and 500 Boxes; Oats in Bbls.; Russia Canvas; Twine; Paint Oil and Turpentine; Bright Varnish.

Wm. S. HEYL.

Queen's Road, Victoria, 5th December, 1845.

JUST IMPORTED,

AND For Sale by C. MARKWICK, Auctioneer, Pottinger Street. A few Hogsheads of Abbots' Pale Ale. Victoria, February 4th, 1846.

FOR SALE.

BY the undersigned a few Jars of superior English Paint Oil.

C. MARKWICK.

Auctioneer. Pottinger Street Victoria, 19th November, 1845.

SHIPPING ARTICLES, according to the recent act (Victoria 7 & 8) for sale at this office.

Office "Friend of China," Victoria, 10th October, 1845. } LINGUIST'S REPORTS and NAVY BILLS for sale at this Office. Office Friend of China, 28th Dec., 1844.

BILLS OF LADING FOR THE OVERLAND ROUTE.

FOR sale at this office, four forms of bills of lading for goods or specie shipped by the P. & O. Company's Steam packets. 1st for goods deliverable at London; 2nd for goods deliverable at Southampton; 3rd for goods deliverable at Suez; 4th for goods deliverable at intermediate ports.

They are printed after the Company's forms on Bank post. Office "Friend of China" } 25th October, 1845. }

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 Tariff of imports, and exports, counting houses.

RAILWAY CAPITALISTS.

A substantial middle class is said to be a sign of the prosperity of the state, and the pound and a half of paper comprising a list of the names, descriptions, and places of abode of all the persons subscribing to the amount of £2000 and upwards to any railway subscription contract during the present session of Parliament, is or ought to be, a highly satisfactory document. It should be deposited in some public museum, as a monument of what the gentlemen and tradesmen of England can do, or at all events can undertake to do, with their superfluous capital. It is a libel to say that the wealth of the country is in the hands of a few capitalists; for if it were, we should find the names of peers abundant in the catalogue of contributors.

capitalists who have put down—that is to say, made themselves liable for—their thousands and tens of thousands for the patriotic purpose of perfecting the railway communication of their native land. The Lords who have felt themselves justified in subscribing to the great national object are extremely few. We do not find the Sutherlands, the Westminsters, or the Devonshires, risking their money with the true nobility and recklessness of consequences that is shown by the Eroons, the Joneses, and the Smiths. These are the men to whom England is to be indebted for the millions which are required, and which these worthy capitalists have promised to find, for the construction of railways. No less than forty Browns and eight and twenty Joneses have come forward with their purses—that is to say, their names; while two pages and a half of Smiths have promised to contribute with almost princely prodigality. Three individuals bearing the last-mentioned humble cognomen are subscribers—we mean of course nominally—to the magnificent amount of nearly half a million; while five more of the same plebeian appellation are ready amongst them with another hundred and fifty thousand pounds. All this must be exceedingly gratifying to any one who may have been under the erroneous impression that the wealth of the country is confined to a few hands.

It is also very delightful to contemplate the immense mass of gentility that figures in the pages of the report that is the subject of our remarks. We know the word gentleness has sometimes been very va-

guely defined; but if it means nothing more than one who keeps a gig, there is something pleasing in the idea of the amount contributed to the assessed taxes by those whose names appear in the railway speculation list.

WORKING THE ORACLE.—Theophilus forcing his way through a very miscellaneous assembly, consisting chiefly of attorneys, clerks, and farmers anxiously enquires, "How are the Squabashes?"

"All right," is the reply, "government have given their consent. Committee seem to have made up their minds. Two of them have been asleep, the chairman writing letters all the time. They're as safe as the Bank!"

"Theophilus waited for no more. 'Sell 500 Great North Circumbendibus'; he writes on a card, hands it to a jockey ready waiting on horseback, who starts off like a flash of lightning for the city.

into the room, and putting down his hat, walked to the fatal desk; "they are throwing them in by cart-loads. It's well you got out of your's, Mr Smith."

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS.—A return of the annual amount taken for admissions during the years 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844, has been laid before Parliament.

THE PRESS AND THE BAR.—An amusing trial is pending on the western circuit, in which the bar mess are plaintiffs and the bar reporters are the defendants.

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APPRENTICE HANS.—The means of living at Dinant are worth a passing comment. Nothing can equal the richness of the milk, the bread and butter are both excellent, the water is delicious, and the eggs and vegetables are plentiful and cheap.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHANGHAI.

IMPORTS.

Per "Nimrod," Br. Barque, No. from Sydney, arrived January, 1846. 9,435 piculs Sandal Wood, con. about 154 tons.

A RETURN of the Quantities and Value of Merchandise Exported from the Port of CANTON in 181 British Vessels of the burthen of 90,279 Tons, and in 24 Lorchas of the burthen of 1440 Tons, to the Countries and Places unmentioned during the Year ending the 31st December, 1845.

Table with 5 columns: No. in the Tariff, Denomination of Articles, Quantities, To what Countries and Places Exported, Estimated Value in Spanish Drs. Includes sections for I. RAW PRODUCTS, II. MANUFACTURED ARTICLES, and III. MISCELLANEOUS EXPORTS.

Francis C. Macgregor, R. M. Consul. REMARKS.—The preceding Returns have been compiled from the entries in the Books kept at this Office, and the quantities specified are those that have paid duty.