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FOR ENGLAND, CALCUTTA, MADRAS, CEYLON, AND INTERMEDIATE PORTS.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steam Ship BRAGANZA, Captain Lewis, with Her Majesty's Mails, will leave this for the above places on Monday, the 30th of March, at 2 P. M.

Cargo will be received on board until Noon, and Specie until 4 P. M. on Saturday the 28th instant.

This Route affords an opportunity of visiting Singapore and Penang, remaining a short time at Ceylon, and thence proceeding to England by Overland Conveyance through Egypt in 54 days, to Madras in 30 days, and Calcutta in 34 days, from the date of leaving China. Steamers belonging to the H. E. I. Company are also understood to ply between Colombo and Bombay, thus affording Passengers a much more speedy means of reaching the latter place than is otherwise obtainable.

Cargo, Parcels, &c. may be forwarded to England by the above Vessel with the same despatch as H. M. Mails; and Specie, Silk, or other Goods to Ceylon, Madras, and Calcutta, on Terms nearly the same as by sailing vessels, the rate of Insurance having been reduced by several Offices in favour of the Company's Steamers.

Arrangements are made in the Steamers throughout for the convenience of the Native Merchants of India, proceeding as Passengers; certain accommodation is also reserved in the Calcutta Steamers 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 of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Comp's. Office; and Shippers of Cargo are requested to take notice, that no Goods can be received for Overland Transit unless Packed in non-susceptible Coverings, as Wood, Matting, Tanned Cloth, &c. and the Contents and Value of each Package either marked on the outside, or declared in Writing at the time of Shipment.

J. A. OLDING, Agent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 9th March, 1846.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY'S STEAMER "BRAGANZA."

PASSENGERS and Shippers of Cargo by the above vessel are requested to take notice that she will be despatched on the 30th instant.

J. A. OLDING.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 9th March, 1846.

TO LET.

A House in Pottinger Street opposite the R. C. Church and next to Mr Shortt, apply to

BUSH & Co.

Victoria, 6th March 1846.

TO LET.

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

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

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.

TO LET.

A Bungalow in Queen's Road, opposite the Albany Godowns, consisting of Six Rooms well ventilated below, with detached Offices and Stables complete.

Apply to

TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, March 2nd, 1846.

TO LET.

THREE Houses situate in Wellington Street, commanding a fine view of the Bay. Early possession can be given. For further particulars apply to

R. OSWALD.

Victoria, 27th February, 1846.

FOR SALE.

MARINE Lot No. 64 Situated between the lots of Messrs. MACVICAR & Co. and FRANKLIN JAMESON 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 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 Feby. 1846.

TO LET.

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

HUGHESDON & Co.

TO LET.

A spacious bungalow on Caine's Road. Apply to

HUGHESDON & Co.

Victoria, 3rd, 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, Jany, 30th, 1846.

TO LET.

THE upper part of a commodious and well 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'Aguilar Street.

Victoria, 24th October, 1845.

NOTICE.

THE Commercial Business of the undersigned will from this date be continued, under the style of "Senn Van Basel & Co."

M. J. SENN VAN BASEL.

Canton, March 1st, 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. J. SENN VAN BASEL.

His Nethlds Majesty's Consul.

Executor.

Nethlds. Consulate, Canton,

3rd October, 1845.

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.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY.

MESSRS 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 and quarter Casks from the well known House of Stoddard & Co. Port in Cases of 3 dozen each.

Hodgson and Abbots Pale Ale in Hogsheads.

Apply to DENT & Co.

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 Hds, 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 Gleditsia, King & Co. London.

Port in cases of 3 dozen

Madeira " " 3 "

Champagne " " 1 "

Apply to

LINDSAY & Co.

Victoria, 26th January, 1846.

FOR SALE.

WEBSTER, Gordon, Conant & Co.'s superior Madeira, in Hds, 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.

VANDERBURG BOWSWINCKEL & Co.

Canton and Macao, 31st Jany, 1845.

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

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Victoria, 22nd December, 1845.

NOTICE.

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

HEGAN & Co.

1st January, 1846.

NOTICE.

MR. HENRY LIND is authorized to Sign for our Firm by Procuration.

R. OSWALD & Co.

Victoria, Hongkong, 27th February, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned beg to notify, that they have formed a partnership for the transaction of a general Commission and Agency business at Canton, under the firm of CARLOWITZ, HARKORT & Co.

RICHARD CARLOWITZ.

BERNHARD HARKORT.

Canton, 1st January, 1846.

BILLS on London, drawn under Messrs Baring Brothers & Co's. Credits, in sums to suit purchasers, for sale by,

J. N. A. GRISWOLD.

Canton, March 5th 1846.

CIRCULAR.

MR. FRANKLYN, General Commission, Land and Shipping Agent, receives goods from alongside ships and stores them on the most moderate terms in dry and secure godowns, sells them by Public or private sale as required. A variety of goods on view at the show rooms.

Queen's Road February, 17th 1846.

PUBLIC AUCTION

MR FRANKLYN begs to give notice that the Sale of that valuable estate in Aberdeen Street some time advertised, will take place at his sale Rooms, Queen's Road at 11 o'clock A. M. precisely, on this day Wednesday the 25th instant.

TO LET.

A Bungalow situated in the most healthy locality with a good view of the Harbour; has a Verandah of 7 feet breadth in front and 6 feet at the back, contains a Dining and Sitting Room 22 feet by 15, and two Bed Rooms 16 by 10, with Bathing Rooms attached to each. The ventilation and fittings will be found in excellent order. Out Houses and stabling detached.

Rent \$25 per mensem.

Apply to

W. H. FRANKLYN.

A QUANTITY of GUN POWDER, for sale.

Apply to, W. H. FRANKLYN.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. FRANKLYN begs to give notice, that the sale of Land and Houses advertised to take place on 10th inst. is postponed until a future period. Due notice of the day will be given in a subsequent paper.

Queen's Road, 11th March, 1846.

FOR SALE.

A Splendid rich toned square Piano forte; just landed.

W. H. FRANKLYN.

HOLMES & BIGHAM have for sale, Gold and Silver skeleton and plain lever Watches, Pistols in cases, Wiltshire Cheese and Cumberland Hams, Butter in kegs and jars, Beef, Pork, and Tongues in small and large barrels, English Paint Oil, best White Lead in 28lbs kegs, Sheet Lead, Eger, Porter, Brandy, Rum, Gin and Whiskey in bottles and cask, Champagne, Claret, Port, Sherry, Cordials &c., Blankets, Regatta Shirts, Chesterfield wrappers &c. &c.

H. & B. have also a small family medicine chest ready fitted up, and a low tape lines on sale.

Victoria, 29th February, 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, Baroque cachemire, Glacé broche, Barege satin, Labrador Veloutine fleurie, and other robes; Ladies fluid Silk shawls and Scarfs, Cravates goulottes, and Mills 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.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned begs to inform parties indebted to him, to pay the same as early as possible; claims on those residing in China, not paid, or arrangements made to do so, up to the end of next May, and those in Europe, &c., up to the end of next August, (after giving due notice in the newspapers of Names and particulars); will be put up for sale by Public Auction, and sold off to the highest bidder.

Those who have established on the East Coast of China, or elsewhere, or have left China, since 1839, are requested to send their address, and their accounts will be forwarded to them without delay.

JNO. SMITH

Macao, 12th February, 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.

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 cattles.

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 Teneriffe 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.

FOR SALE.

100 Piculs Camphor; packed ready for shipment.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co.

Victoria, 25th February, 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.

JUST IMPORTED

A small invoice of superior black Hats; for sale by,

F. FUNCK,

Opposite the Commissariat, March 11th 1846.

WANTED.

A PERSON as Clerk, or to sell goods on commission; one, who has a connexion amongst shipping would be preferred. None need apply who are not prepared to give up their whole time and services to the advertiser, and the most satisfactory testimonials, both of character and ability, are indispensable.

Applications by letter only, addressed A. Z. care of the Editor of this paper, will meet with early attention.

Victoria, 4th March, 1846.

HONGKONG-DISPENSARY.

SODA WATER, AERATED LEMONADE. Aerated Chalybeate Water, (highly recommended, on account of its tonic properties).

AGENTS AT CANTON,

ACHOOK, Comptroller. No. 3 Imperial Hongkong, 13th March, 1846.

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.

DISPENSARY, CANTON.

THE FOLLOWING SELECT MEDICINES, &c. ARE ON SALE AT THE DISPENSARY, 4 FRENCH HONG, CANTON

BUTLER'S Tasteless Seidlitz Powders; Concentrated Decoction of Sarsaparilla, of double strength, to obviate fermentation; Capsules Gelatinosae; Castor Oil Capsules; Concentrated Disinfecting Solution of Chloride of Lime; Stomachic Bitters; Spirit of Camphor; Castor Oil, Superior Colddrawn; Lison's Healing Lotion; Rose Water, Craville's Lotion; Prepared Chalk; Perfumed Chalk Balls; Lip Salve; 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 Bandages; Horma's Trusses; Ear Syringes; Urethrae do.; Bone and Glass; Lavement Machines; Patent Lin; Specific Solution of Hydriodate of Potash; Sarsaparilla, etc. for Rheumatism and Chronic Catarrhs Affections; Spirit of Wine; Sponges; Liqueur; Rowland's Toothache Drops; Hoffman's Anodyne; Flesh Brushes; Soda Water; Medicine Chests, &c. &c.

EDWARD CULLEN,

M.D.C.C.L., L.A.L.

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 (Jan. 24, Jan. 1, Feb. 8, Feb. 11, Feb. 13, Jan. 24).

THE FRIEND OF CHINA AND HONGKONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25th, 1846.

We direct attention to the alteration in the Braganza's advertisements. She will sail on Monday the 30th instant at 2 P. M., and not on Sunday the 29th, as previously intimated.

Our extra, published on Monday, put our subscribers in possession of the most important part of the intelligence by the Braganza; and in this issue we have selected such extracts as may interest the general reader.

The present position occupied by Sir Robert Peel is one to which it may be difficult to find a parallel. He is bound to no party—supported by no particular interest—tied down to no political creed.

As I said before, that when after the severe labour of last season almost every hour of my time since has been devoted to watching chances and reading evidence night and day, so as to be able to guard against a heavy national calamity, I confess it does seem hard to find myself the object of accusations [loud cries of "hear, hear!"]...

Few Ministers have every expressed themselves so plainly, or perhaps so sincerely. Sir Robert Peel is happily in such circumstances, that in a pecuniary sense office has no attractions.

Imbued with a desire to serve his country, not by bolstering up the interests of the aristocracy, but by improving the moral and social condition of the people, he has boldly struck at the incubus which has, in a degree, borne down the industry of the country, and in a short time the corn law excrescence will be cut from the statute book.

From an extra of the Calcutta Star of the 7th February, we extract Sir Harry Smith's official announcement of the battle at Alewaul.

ARMY OF THE SUTLIG.

Detachment Orders, Head Quarters, Alwal, 29th January 1846.

Major-General Sir H. G. Smith has the heartfelt gratification to congratulate the gallant troops on the victory obtained over the enemy yesterday by the united efforts of all arms. The enemy, it is stated, had, up to the evening of the 20th, 56 guns and 20,000 men.

Such victories are not achieved without loss from an enemy, excited by religious fanaticism, but the Major-General, from all reports he has yet received, trusts it is comparatively small, and while, in common with the troops, he regrets the loss, it is his happy position to applaud, by every expression of his satisfaction, the prompt and energetic obedience paid by all Officers in command, which enabled the Major-General to attain a result so important at this moment, to the completion of the war; casting additional fame on the already high renown of Her Majesty's and the Honourable Company's troops.

lant Commander-in-chief, than whom no General will more appreciate their merits, and the Major-General will have the pleasure and gratification to lay before the Right Hon'ble the Governor-General the valuable and energetic services, the cordial co-operation and assistance, of Major Mackeson, Captain Cunningham and Lieutenant Lake, to whom the Major-General feels deeply indebted.

(Signed) EDWARD LUGARD, Capt. A. A. General.

We have been favored with the perusal of American papers to the 1st of January; but the views held the one day are so irreconcilable with those of the next, that it is difficult to gather anything which may enable us to form an opinion as to the true disposition of the Government, or sentiments of the people, upon the Oregon question. In direct opposition to the public declarations of Mr. Polk, and the denunciations of his Organ, against those who would compromise the Oregon question, we learn that Mr. Buchanan, the Secretary of State, was actually negotiating with Mr. Pakenham, and had offered the 49th degree of north latitude as the boundary; it is one of the peculiarities of the government, and also of the press of America, that they take up positions which they do not intend to retain; it thus becomes difficult to estimate the real risk of a war on the Oregon question.

From the Boston Atlas of the 1st January we copy the quotations of yeas.

Table with columns for item (Imperial, Gunpowder, Hyson, Young Hyson) and prices (50 to 75 cts, H. country 40 to 65 cts, etc.).

(From the London Mail, January 24.)

PRECIS OF MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS.

The restoration of Eton College Chapel, including the enlarging of the choir, the erection of Gothic stalls and a new screen, &c., at a cost of from 10,000, to 12,000, is to be proceeded with immediately. Not only did the "Quarterly" review Lord Campbell's Lives of the Chancellors before the book saw the light, but Mr Murray was able to quote the opinion of the "Quarterly" upon an unpublished work before the review itself appeared.

The subjects proposed for the four bassi reliefs are the victories of Cape St. Vincent, Copenhagen, the Nile, and Trafalgar; and the sculptors appointed to execute these works are Mr. Watson, Mr. Woodington, Mr. Carew, and Mr. Ternouth. The four lions will be executed by Mr. Lough. The relieved works will be in bronze; the lions in stone of granite.

Seven needles have been extracted from the left arm of a young woman at Sheffield. How they got into her body is a mystery. Some years since a great many were drawn from one of her fingers. The senior Magistrate of Berkshire has officiated against the Game-laws, and been fined for the act; he appealed to the Quarter-sessions, and the conviction has been confirmed.

field, and not beating for game; and he called Es servant to prove this. The man said, Mr Goodlake always studiously avoided coursing on Mr Palmer's land: on cross-examination, however, he admitted that the manner they crossed the field was that in which people would do who were beating for hares; but they did not beat for them. They could easily have avoided passing through the field. The bench confirmed the conviction, and ordered Mr Goodlake to pay Mr Palmer's costs—taxed at 27l. 2s. 8d.—By an explosion of fire-damp at the colliery of Messrs. Russell and Co., of Risca, in the neighbourhood of Newport, Monmouth, 35 persons were killed.—The largest factory in the world is now in course of erection at Manchester. It is 440 feet long.—Mr Braham has at length retired from public life and announced his intention to give lessons in singing.—The Duke of Rutland has expressed his intention to kill off all the hares and rabbits on his preserves.—Lately the inmates of the Honiton Union presented a silver table spoon to the master and matron, who have resigned.—Mrs Sigourney, the celebrated poetess, took the premium at the late fair at the American Institute, for the best pair of silk stockings.—Miss Martineau has published a letter announcing her unshaken faith in mesmerism, and her wonderful success in practising it on others.—Mr. Nott, of the firm of Nott and Son, tea merchants, Dublin, committed suicide at the house of his brother-in-law, by hanging himself from a staircase.—The London correspondent of the Chronicle says, he is within the mark in stating that briefs to the amount of 50,000l. have been handed to leading counsel in Railway cases.—The extension of railways during the last three years from about 1,103 to 2,000 miles, has had the effect of increasing the average receipts per mile from about 2,800l. to 3,200l., and the total returns from about 2,600,000l. to just 4,000,000l.—It appears, from a published list of the railway plans deposited as the Private Bill-office and House of Lords, up to the 31st December, that not fewer than 549 of the lines provisionally registered have been abandoned by their projectors.—In the recent arbitration inquiry as to the sale of the corporation land in Cheshire, the Solicitor General's fee was 250 guineas with the brief, 300 guineas for coming down, and 100 guineas per day during the continuance of the arbitration.—Sir Martin Arthur Shee, having withdrawn his resignation, has been unanimously re-elected President of the Royal Academy; a grant of 300l. a year by the council being added to the royal pension of 200l. already settled on Lady Shee.—The Hon. Mr. Everett, the late minister to this country from the United States, will shortly quit the arena of politics for the peaceful paths of learning. He has consented to receive the appointment of Professor of the Harvard University at Boston.

Mr Bain, of the Norfolk Circuit, has been created a Sergeant-at-Law.—The Rev John Hurst, rector of Thackam, was accidentally shot by his son last week, while out shooting.—It is a singular fact, that Drs Hannah and Jackson, the Divinity tutors of the two Wesleyan colleges, have each of them a son in the Church, Mr Hannah, being a fellow of Lincoln, Oxford, and Mr Jackson, principal of the Training School of the National Society at Battersea.

One of the most voluminous returns that probably ever issued from the Parliamentary printing-press made its appearance last week, in the form of a catalogue of upwards of 540 folio pages, consisting of an alphabetical and numerical list of the names of all persons in England, Ireland, and Scotland, who subscribed towards the railways of last session less than 2,000l. The return is a curious collection of the names, addresses, and amount of interest of every investor in the lines before Parliament last session, to a less extent than 2,000l. It defies all notions of analysis, and is a sort of stupendous postscript to the return recently issued of all subscribers to railways beyond 2,000l. Irrespectively of the many thousands who hold largely in established lines, the return includes upwards of twenty thousand subscribers to the lines and branches of last session alone, subscribing to the extent of 21,386,763l. 6s. 4d. Amongst the names are to be recognised many of the leading nobility the largest manufacturing firms, and names familiar to most people as connected with the commerce and literature of the country. The juxtaposition of names and descriptions presents some remarkable contrasts; the same columns present in a combination of peers and printers, vicars and vice admirals, spinsters and half pajs, M. P.'s and special pleaders, professors and cotton spinners, gentlemen's cooks and Q. C.'s, attorneys' clerks and college-scouts, waiters at Lloyd's, relieving officers and excisemen, barristers and butchers, Catholic priests and coachmen, editors and engineers, dairymen and dyers, braziers, bankers, beer-sellers, and butlers, domestic servants footmen, and mail-guards, with a multitude of other callings unrecorded in the Book of Trades.

MONEY MARKET.—The funds have declined, and there has prevailed a disposition to ascribe it to the Royal speech; but this is far from general, and there are, at all events, other causes at work. The absence of any declaration in Parliament on the tender subject of the railway deposits, has led the monied interest to conclude, that any interference with the standing order is not to be looked for, and the there are many who regard with uneasiness the fact of the stoppage, at this time, of one of the joint-stock banks—that of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Those who find topics of alarm in Her Majesty's speech, dwell most on the passage which adverts to the difference with America, and the inevitable large remission of protective duties for which it prepares the public, and which may have some influence on the revenue. Consols for the account were done yesterday as low as 91½, but they left off 91½ to 92. The price for money was at one time as low as 94, but closed rather firmer, viz. 94 to 95. Exchequer Bills continue steady, at 20s. to 22s. pre., and Bank Stock is 205 to 207; Reduced 94½ to 95; Three-and-a-Quarter per cent., 95½ to 96; Long Annuities, 10½; and South Sea New Annuities, 93.

We quote East India Railways as follows: Ceylon 1½; Calcutta and Diamond Harbour, ½ pm; East Indian, 1½; Great Western Bengal, 1; Madras, ½ pm.

The amount of Bills drawn by the Honourable the East India Company from 7th January, 1846, to 23rd January, 1846.

Table with columns for location (On Bengal, Madras, Bombay) and amounts (£2,713 17 3, 11,514 14 8, 45,657 16 3).

An experiment has been made at Leeds to manufacture cloth from a mixture, we believe in about equal proportions, of Chinese grass and sheep's wool. The success of the experiment cannot as yet be pronounced upon with certainty, but one of the great difficulties has been overcome—namely, the possibility of felting; and it is shown that a piece of cloth made from these materials, of the

width of 103 inches, has, by the application of the felting stocks, been compressed to the width of 33 inches.—(London Mail, Jan. 24.)

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.

- MARCH, 21, Vishnu (Balley), Lofgreen, Bally 6th Jany., and Ampanam 5th Feby. 22, Falcon, Bellamy, Namoa. 22, Zenobia (Am), Kenny, New York 14th Nov., and Batavia 15th Feby. 22, P. & O. Co's Str. Braganza, Lewis, Galle. 23, Euphrates, Gifford, Bombay 12th Jany., Anjer 17th Feby. 24, Warlock, Jauncey, Namoa.

SAILED.

- MARCH, 22, Starling, Chape, Whampoa. 22, Pearl, Smardon, Chusan and Woosung. 22, Zephyr, Mann, East Coast. 22, Falcon, Bellamy, Macao. 23, Zenobia (Am), Kenny, Manila. 24, Dart (Am), Baylies, Cumsingmoo.

REPORTS.

Poppy, Cole, Macao. Euphrates, Gifford, Whampoa. Ship Zenobia reports—Left at Batavia, ship Radus, Rogers, for Amsterdam; Chile, Notts; Brig Fabiny, White, from Rio; ship J. Caskey, Fuller.

SINGAPORE SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

- Feby. 14, Arratoon Apear, Calcutta 25th January. 16, Mermaid, Macao 3rd January. 16, Marquis of Hastings, Macao 3rd Jany. 17, Prins Carl, Whampoa 4th January. 17, Nymph, Hongkong 8th January. 17, Coquette, Whampoa 8th January. 25, Kelpie China 17th January. 28, Ardaseer, China 19th January. Mar. 7, Lady Mary Wood (st), Hkong 28th Feby. 11, HMS Agincourt, Hongkong 3rd March. 12, HM Steamer Wiven, Hongkong. 13, Braganza (steam), Galle 3rd March.

DEPARTURES.

- Feby. 15, Arratoon Apear, China. 18, Mermaid and Coquette, Calcutta. 18, Nymph, Bombay. 21, Prins Carl, Stockholm. 22, Marquis of Hastings, Penang. 26, Isabella Grey, China. Mar. 1, Kelpie, Calcutt, and Ardaseer, Bombay. 2, Frolic (Am), and Douglas (Am), China. 14, Braganza (st), Lewis, Hongkong.

BOMBAY SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

- Jany. 16, Sir Herbert Compton, China. 16, Anna Eliza, do do. 18, Bombay Castle, do and Manila. 21, Fort William, China. 29, Futtay Mombarruk, do. Feby. 9, Laurick, do, 6th January.

DEPARTURES.

- Jany. 12, Euphrates, Hongkong. 13, Gen, Chusan and Woosung. 15, Shah Allum, China. 18, Murchioness, of Douglas, do. 22, Frolic (Am), do. 25, Will O' the Wisp, do. 29, Monarch, do. Feby. 1, Charles Grant, do. 10, Charlotte, do.

LOADING—Anna Eliza, Louly Famijn, C. Conasjee, Earl of Balcarraz, Caledonia, Sir Herbert Compton, John Bull, Drongan, Charles Forbes and Mermaid all for China.

CALCUTTA SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

- Jany. 12, Prince Regent, China. 29, Red Rover, China and Madras. Feby. 5, Antares, China.

DEPARTURES.

- Jany. 13, Mischief, China. 20, Arratoon Apear, do.

BATAVIA SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

- Feby. 3, Denia, from Bombay, again sailed for China on the 5th. 5, Daniel, China 29th January.

CAPE SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

- Jany. 1, Sir Edward Ryan, China to London. 3, Caldee, China to Dublin. 8, Harbinger, China to London.

ANJER SHIPPING.

- Feby. 13, Alfred, China 28th Jany. for Sydney. 16, Euphrates, Bombay for Hongkong. 16, Gen, Bombay for Chusan. 18, Shah Allum, Bombay for China. 18, Larpent, China 30th Jany. for Cork. 18, Geneva, China 2nd Feby for New York. 21, Lady Ambers, China 8th Feby. for London. 21, John Laird, China 4th Feby. for London. 23, Will O' the Wisp, China for London.

VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR.

- H. M. S. Vestal, Captain Talbot. U. S. S. Vincennes, Captain Paulding. H. M. Str. Vulture, Captain Macdougall. H. M. Brig Pioneer, Captain Collinson, c. b. H. M. Brig Waterline, Comander Clifford. H. C. Str. Pluto, Lieut. Airy. H. M. Tr. S. Alligator, Master Comandant King. H. M. S. Minden, 2nd Master in charge Omer, Hospital and Store Ship. Anita, King, Dent and Co. Bomanjee Hormusjee, Coates, J. Matheson and Co. Braganza (st. sh.), Lewis, J. A. Olding. Corvair (steam), Soames, W. H. Franklyn. Euphrates, Gifford, Jamieson, How and Co. Gazelle (Am), Chase, J. Matheson and Co. Glentanner, Brock, W. & T. Gemmill and Co. John Barry, Clarke, Dent and Co. Linnet, Youngusband and Co.

Poppy, Colo, Dent and Co
St. Antonio (P. schr), Burd, Lange and Co
Vishnu (Balley), Lofgreen, J. Matheson and Co
Wurlock, Jauncey,

SHIPPING AT WHAMPOA.

Bengalee, Fisher, Lindsay and Co
Chatham, Ibery, Jamieson, How and Co
Devil, Furley, Hansen
Fanny Connel, Brown, J. Matheson and Co
Governor Doherty, Willson, P. F. Cama and Co
Humayoon, Cameron, Russell and Co
Joven Corina, D. & M. Rustomjee and Co
Meloe (Fr), Durand, Reynvaan and Co
Prince Albert, Thompson, P. & D. N. Camajee
Regina, Quintom, Cowasjee Pallanjee
Stalhart, Dixon, Hormusjee Framjee
Starling, Chape, Macvicar and Co
Wild Irish Girl, Buckton, Captain

VESSELS AT MACAO.

Amelia (Fr), J. A. Durran, Jr
Falcon, Bellamy, J. Matheson and Co
Harriet, C. Sapoorjee Lungroh
Isabella Robertson, Kelly, F. J. de Paiva
John (Swede), Olterberg, Cumsingmoo, J. M. & Co
Lady Hayes, Langley, J. Matheson and Co
Lyra, Grosvenor, J. A. Durran
Mor, Alsten, J. Matheson and Co
Snipe, Endicott, A. Heard and Co
Uniao (Sp), J. Salado
Veloz (Sp), Bordenove,

AMERICAN AT WHAMPOA AND MACAO.

Eagle, Prescott, Russell and Co
Great Britain, Endicott, Russell and Co
Helena, Eyre, J. N. A. Griswold
Lucas, Miller, Olyphant and Co
Milas (steam), Poor, James P. Sturgis
New Lintin, Chase, Russell and Co

NOTICE.

MR. JOSEPH L. ROBERTS is a partner in our firm.
AUGUSTINE, HEARD & Co.
Canton, 20th March, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE following parcels forwarded by Messrs Waghorn & Co, and received by the "Braganza," will be delivered on the presentation of written orders from the parties to whom they are addressed.
2 Parcels President of the Mess Com. H. M. 18th Regiment.
1 " Officer Commanding H. M. 18th Regt.
1 " " H. M. 98th Regt.
1 " President Mess Committee H. M. 98th Regiment.
1 " James Hardy, Esq. H. M. 98th Regt.
1 " F. Macqueen, Esq.
1 " Kenneth Moffatt, Esq.
1 " R. Rawlin, Esq. H. M. S. "Espiegle."
Parcels to be transmitted to England by the Braganza will be received by the undersigned until 4 o'clock on Saturday the 28th instant.
RAWLE, DUUS & Co.
Victoria, 24th March 1846.

FOR SALE.

SODA WATER AND AERATED LEMONADE of superior quality at Messrs. HUNTER & BARTON'S Dispensaries, Pottinger Street, Victoria Hongkong, and 12 Danish Hong, Canton.

BILLIARDS.

HOLMES & BIGHAM beg respectfully to inform the Gentlemen of Hongkong that they have opened a Billiard Room with a first rate, "Thurston's" Slate Table on their premises 2 doors East of the House occupied by Gen. D'Aguiar. Gentlemen honoring them with their patronage will meet with every attention.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned have this day formed a Partnership, as Attornies, Solicitors, Proctors, and Notaries, at Victoria, under the firm of FARNCOMB AND GODDARD; Mr Farncomb will transact the business of the Firm as Notary Public.
E. FARNCOMB.
W. H. GODDARD.
Victoria, 21st March 1846.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

C. MARKWICK will sell by Public Auction on this day at 10 o'clock A. M. (On account of the underwriters) At Messrs. Gibb Livingston & Co's new Godowns, Queen's Road.
32 Chests Patna Opium more or less damaged by Sea water.
TERMS OF SALE.
Cash, before delivery; payment to be made in Spanish Dollars a 7m.-1c. Sc. Rupees taken at 231 to 100 Spanish Dollars.
All lots to be cleared the same day.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

C. MARKWICK will sell by Public Auction on Saturday, 28th March 1846, at 11 o'clock A. M. at Messrs. Dent & Co. Godowns, (On account of the underwriters) 25 Chests Patna Opium more or less damaged by Sea water.
TERMS OF SALE.
Cash, in Spanish Dollars a 7m.-1c.-Sc. Rupees 231 for 100 Spanish Dollars.

SALE OF BOOKS.

MACEWEN & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on Thursday, 20th instant, at their Store, Queen's Road, the valuable and extensive collection of Books, which belonged to the deceased G. T. LAY, Esq., late British Consul at Amoy. Gentlemen who are disposed to Classical, Literary, or Scientific pursuits, will seldom have a better opportunity of indulging their taste than on this occasion.
The Sale will commence at 7 o'clock P. M.
Terms of Sale.—Mexican Dollars or Rupees.
Victoria, 24th March 1846.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

DRINKER & HEYL, will sell on Friday 27th instant at 11 o'clock A. M. at their sale rooms. One pair large Globes, Celestial and Terrestrial; 1 Gilt and 1 Plain Dinner set; a variety of assorted Crockery.
A large assortment of cut and plain glass-ware.
2 handsome mantel piece clocks; Beer in bottle, Toys; clothing, and a variety of other articles.
Terms of Sale.—Cash on delivery in Spanish Dollars, or Rupees 230 per \$100.
Victoria, 24th March, 1846.

COMPOSITORS WANTED.—Apply at this Office.
Office "Friend of China."

MESSRS HUNTER & BARTON, beg to announce that their Macao Establishment has been removed to No. 12 Danish Hong CANTON. WHERE THE FOLLOWING ARE FOR SALE.
SODA WATER and AERATED LEMONADE direct from the fountain. Patent Medicines, Perfumery. Ships Medicine chests sold and replenished.
Canton 16th March, 1846.

WANTED.

TWO respectable Youths as apprentices to the Plumbing and Painting business. For particulars apply to
MR. A. CARLIN.
No. 3 Stanley Street
Victoria, 9th March 1846.

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.

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 Gloster Cheese, Butter in small Kegs and Jars, York hams, 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, Vidonia, old Cognac, Whiskey in cask and bottle, Cask Brandy, Cherry Cordia, and a variety of other articles.
Victoria, 20th December 1845.

ON SALE.

AT the Godowns of the undersigned, a small invoice of Hodgson and Abbott's Pale Ale, in cases of 3 dozen each.
SMITH & BRIMELOW.
Woosnam's Buildings.
Victoria, 20th March 1846.

SODA WATER

AND AERATED LEMONADE,
TO be obtained at the manufactory of the undersigned.
SMITH & BRIMELOW.
No 1 and 2 Woosnam's Buildings, corner of Pottinger Street.

JUST received, a small Invoice of Prime new Bloom Muscatel Raisins in small fancy Caskets; in excellent condition.
SMITH & BRIMELOW.
Woosnam's Buildings, 27th February, 1846.

FOR SALE.—Four Sedan Chairs. Apply to.
McMURRAY & Co.
Victoria, Queen's Road and Aberdeen Street 19th March, 1846.

McMURRAY & Co. hereby intimate to their friends and the public generally, that from this date they will not receive more on cash in payment for READ. The price of a 1 lb. loaf will be 4 Rupees.
McMurray & Co. are compelled to adopt this plan in consequence of the impossibility of disposing of the large quantity of very bad cash that they receive daily.
The price to customers, who keep monthly accounts, will be the same as before, viz:—10 cents for the 1 lb. loaf.
Victoria, Queen's Road and Aberdeen Street, 19th March, 1846.

NOTICE.

JUST landed, ex Chatham, an Invoice comprising an Assortment of Scotch Cambric Handkerchiefs, and English made Shirts.
ROBERT RUTHERFURD.
Queen's Road
Victoria, 16th March, 1846.

FOR SALE.

FINE Guavo Jelly, and Jams of every description; Pickles and Sauces, assorted; Durham Mustard; superior Mangoe Chutney; Portugal Dried Figs and Plums in Tin.
ALSO
Excellent York Hams, Red Herrings in Tins, and some Prime Berkley and Cheddar Cheese.
Superior Seltzer Water in 2 doz. cases.
ROBERT RUTHERFURD.
Victoria, 17th March, 1846.

NEW GENERAL STORE

AND COMMISSION ROOMS:
MR R. RUTHERFURD begs to inform the Merchants and Foreign Residents in China, that on Monday first, he will open the Godown in Mr Strachan's New Houses, Queen's Road; and will have for sale a General Assortment of Goods, consisting of,—

Superfine Broadcloths of First Quality and various colours; Tweeds for Trowserings and Shooting Coats; Vesting of every description; Hosiery; Angola and White Cotton Socks; Kid, Buckskin, Silk, and Thread Gloves from Dent & Co.; Silk and Satin Stocks; Opera Ties and Cravats; Neckcloths; India Silk Handkerchiefs, British Printed; Dressing Gowns; English made Cloth and Dress Boots and Shoes, with a number of other Articles for Gentlemen's wear.

STATIONERY.

Consisting of Ledgers, Cash and Day Books; Letter Books; Drying Books; Copying Books and Paper; Memorandum and Note Books; Blotters and Blotting Paper; Plain and Ruled, Yellow and Blue Foolscap; Letter and Note Paper; Playing Cards; Envelopes of sizes; Pencils, Quills; Steel Pens; Copying and Writing Inks; Wafers, &c. &c. with an Assortment of London made Gold and Silver Pencil cases.

ALSO

A lot of Splendid Engravings in the first Style of art.

AND THE FOLLOWING SUPERIOR WINES, &c.

Champagne in Pint and Quart Bottles
Hockheimer in 1 dozen cases.
Johannisberg in 1 " "
Cutler's claret in 3 " "
Sherry in 1 " "
Sauterno in 3 " "
Copenhagen Cherry Brandy in 1 dozen cases
Pale Brandy in 1 dozen cases.
Byass's Beer and Porter.
Queen's Road, 11th March, 1846.

FOR SALE.—By the undersigned.
Champagne,
Hock,
Beer, and Stout, all of the first quality.
EDWARD NEWMAN.
Victoria 7th October, 1845.

NOTICE.

WE the undersigned have formed a Partnership for the transaction of a General Agency, Auction and Commission business, at Victoria Hongkong, under the Firm of DRINKER & HEYL.
S. DRINKER.
W. S. HEYL.
Victoria, March 2nd 1846.

NOTICE.

DRINKER & HEYL, offer for sale, at their Stores, superior Port, Sherry, Madeira, and Claret Wines, Peppermint, and Cherry Cordials. Beer and Porter in wood and bottles; Wine Bitters, Choice Butter in Kegs, Neats Tongues, Tobacco, Cigars, Old No. 3 and 4 Manila-Ceroots, Paint Oil, and Turpentine in cans, Bright Varnish, Ravens Duck, &c. &c.
Victoria, 16th February, 1846.

BOOTS! BOOTS!! BOOTS!!!

THE Subscribers have just received and offer for Sale, a large assortment of highly finished Dress and Waterproof Boots, Half Boots, Shoes and Gaiter Boots.
DRINKER & HEYL.
Victoria, 16th February, 1846.

GOLD PENS.

JUST Received, and for sale, a few superior Gold Pens, in Silver Cases.
ALSO
An Invoice of Stationery, consisting of Plain and Ruled Letter Paper, Plain and Ruled Foolscap, Account Current, Account Sales, Office, Envelope, and Blotting Paper, Quills Lead Pencils, Parallel Rulers, Office Inkstands, &c. &c.
DRINKER & HEYL.
Victoria, 16th February, 1846.

FOR SALE.

A Dark colored chestnut Pony; will suit either a Lady or Gentleman, and goes well in Harness.
For terms apply to
C. MARKWICK.
Pottinger Street
Victoria, 3d March 1846.

FOR SALE.

A few Deal Pannel Doors.
6 feet 6 1/2 inches, High.
2 " 10 " Wide.
Apply to
C. MARKWICK, Auctioneer.
Pottinger Street.
Victoria, 3d March 1846.

JUST IMPORTED,

AND For Sale by C. MARKWICK, Auctioneer.
Pottinger Street.
A few Hogheads of Abbott's 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.

MACEWEN & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on Thursday next 26th instant, the undermentioned. Household furniture &c. the property of a Lady about to leave China viz:

- 1 Mahogany dining Table,
- 2 Round Tables.
- 2 Tables with marble tops.
- 2 Chests of drawers.
- 1 Sofa (English).
- 1 Rattan Couch.
- 2 Easy Chairs.
- Ten Chairs with cushions and others.
- 1 Superior Fowling Piece in case.
- 1 Gun, and 1 musical Instrument (Chinese).
- 3 Beds with mattresses &c.
- Books, Saddles and Bridles Hats.
- Plated Candlesticks, Knives and Forks &c.

ALSO

A quantity of Wines; and remainder of Glassware &c. &c. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock A. M. at Chinam's Hong.

Terms of Sale, Mexican Dollars or Rupees.
Victoria, 21st March 1846.

MACEWEN & Co.

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

LINGUIST'S Reports and NAVY Bills for sale at this Office.
Office Friend of China, 28th Dec., 1844.

FOR SALE.—At the office of this paper, Comptrolers 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, for counting houses.

SHIPPING ARTICLES, according to the recent act (Victoria 7 & 8) for sale at this office.
Office "Friend of China." }
Victoria, 10th October, 1845. }

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. }

RIVAL CLIMS TO OREGON.

We think it must be tolerably clear to the generality of unprejudiced minds, that, on grounds of positive right, the American Republic cannot claim the Oregon territory, and we think it is equally clear that the matter cannot be determined at all on grounds of abstract right. In this respect the United States are nearly in the same predicament as Spain, was in the year 1789. Spain asserted a proud and unlimited claim to the whole north-west coast of Africa. In the belief, or assumed belief, of a just title to this vast empire, she seized on the ships, the cargoes, and the persons of British sailors, and destroyed the huts and factories of British settlers. The Spanish Minister, Florida Blanca, supported the violence of Don Estevan in a memorial which justified the pretensions urged by the former in favour of his country to a district extending as far as the 42nd parallel of north latitude. But when the matters was sifted, it came out that these gigantic pretensions rested on a vague expression in the 8th article of the Treaty of Utrecht; that no insignia of Spanish sovereignty had been exclusively displayed, no Spanish settlements exclusively founded, on that coast. That there had been Spanish settlers was true. That Spanish vessels had been in the habit of touching there was also true. True, too, that those seas had in that and the preceding century been scoured by Spanish buccanniers. But it was afterwards implied by the concessions, as it had been before admitted in the words, of the Spanish Court, that its rights to that coast and those ports were "still not quite certain." What, then, did England propose, under the councils of Mr Pitt; and what did Spain assent to, under the administration of Count Florida Blanca? The one proposed, and the other accepted, conditions which every man who loves peace and justice must approve now, as they were approved then by the friends of peace and equity—conditions of joint occupancy, extending over the whole of the north-west of North America hitherto claimed by Spain. England did not take advantage of her own strong fleet, of the weakness of Spain, and the inability of the Court of Versailles to fulfil the pledge contained in the Family Compact—all circumstances highly favourable to an aggressive policy and a bold minister. No, she acquiesced in a participation of trading and settling privileges with a country whom she might have reduced to a more ignoble captivation. And this precedent of a policy at once humane, spirited, and just, is the one which ought to be followed, as nearly as the circumstances of the case allow, on this new crisis. The joint occupation of the Oregon by British and American settlers is no longer judged expedient. Partition is recommended and desired. "In what principles ought that partition to be made? Evidently on those of equal benefit and advantage. In our view of the question, the Americans, having no exclusive right of sovereignty, cannot treat our fellow-subjects as mere tenants-at-will, nor drive them to whatever corner of the Oregon they choose, at the same time claiming for themselves great credit for forbearance. They have both an equal right to the disputed territory—a right arising from oc-

cupation nearly identical in time and similar in purpose. And if a greater share of land is to be accorded to one than to the other, this award must be made, not as a recognition of right, but of those considerations which the proximity, numbers, and the past labours of American settlers introduce as necessary elements in the adjustment of the dispute—considerations which, in all such important matters, it is impossible to merge in the technicalities of law or the minutæ of title.

But if the award of territorial district may be modified by these considerations, care must be taken that no such modification be carried to the extent of positive deprivation; and that though the British settlers may lose in the superficial measurement of their area, yet that they shall not lose any of those collateral advantages which are absolutely indispensable for the prosecution of their trade—such as the great water privilege of the Columbia and the harbour at its mouth. Now, in what way can this partition be made so as to reserve these advantages, and at the same time to give to the counter-claimants not only all that they may demand as the right of their possession, but all to which their numbers and proximity entitle them? An equal line of partition would be a continuation from the Rocky Mountains, not of that line which has already been fixed on as the commencement of the boundary, but of a line one degree to the south of it, drawn to the southern cape on the outlet of Juan de Fuca's Straits. This would, as nearly as it is possible, be the divisional line of the disputed district, and would give us a greater extent of coast land to the north than we care to claim. But the 49th parallel of north latitude having already been fixed on by the Convention of London as the commencement of the boundary, such a division is of course out of the question. We only notice this to show that our starting point is not one of perfect equality. As the matter already stands, a previous conviction has ratified a certain principle of concession. We have not claimed all that the circumstances of the case and the ambiguity of right would have justified us in claiming. And, knowing this, we feel that we are bound by our duty to our own countrymen resident in those districts to protest against any wanton or careless compromise of their interests. We are not solicitous to push our right to its extreme point. We therefore, will not claim for them, nor for ourselves, that capacious district between the south-east bank of the Columbia and the Rocky Mountains. We concede this—we concede it because we prefer a settlement to a litigation, a compromise to a contest, peace to war. We concede a naked right for the retention of an undeniable good. But we cannot acquiesce in the surrender of positive and long-enjoyed benefits. We think, then, that every purpose both of honour and interest would be answered, if the British Minister, on whom now devolves the duty of making fresh proposals to the Government of the United States, were to renew on his part the offer made to England by Mr Gallatin in the presidency and under the direction of Mr Adams. The proposal was to take the 49th degree of north latitude as far as the sea as the boundary line, reserving to Great Britain Vancouver's Island, the harbour of St. Juan de Fuca, and the free navigation of the Columbia. This would be a concession as far as superficial area of ground is concerned. It would leave the United States masters of the greater part of the Oregon. But it would secure the principal advantage of the country, the free navigation of the Columbia, to the servants of the Hudson's Bay Company, as well as harbourage, anchorage, and settlements for English vessels trading with China, and our possessions in Australia and New Zealand.

It would concede all that the most successful war could acquire—a sovereign but barren dominion; but it would secure all the commercial blessings of an honourable compromise and a rational peace. It would not deprive the native Americans of any equitable advantage, but it would retain for Englishmen that privilege to which they are justly entitled—the privilege of sharing in the traffic between North America and the English settlements in the Pacific. No impartial man can expect that an English Minister would ever consent to transfer to the United States monopoly of the carrying trade between Hudson's Bay and English colonies in that sea.

We hope that no rules of diplomatic etiquette will prevent our representative at Washington from making some proposal of this kind. We hope, also, that no false pride, or more ignoble sentiment, will preclude the Ministry of Washington from accepting it. And if they do reject it as coming from us, we do not see how, after such a rejection, they can refuse to submit the question of miles still left in dispute to the arbitration of some neutral Power. To reject an offer conceived in the spirit of peace and moderation, and at the same time to demur to the suggestion of a reference would be to deserve, not less than to provoke, the imputation of the most reprehensible obstinacy or the most insolent injustice.—Times.

THE WHIG ABORTION.

Lord John Russell accepted office and framed his Ministry in such manner as if his sole object were to show how utterly incompetent he was to execute the task—how very objectionable his Ministry would have been. He, as the leader of her Majesty's Opposition, solemnly proclaims the country in danger; he is graciously deputed to rescue it; he gallantly undertakes the enterprise, and—breaks down at the outset. He cannot even master his men. He did not realise even a promise or shadow of success. If he had been joking—making game of his Country and his Sovereign,—if he had intended to back out of a boasting scrape by a pretended failure, a kind of political swindle, the appearances would not have been very different. We do not impute to him anything so unworthy; doubtless, he was not insincere—he would have revealed the Corn-laws if he could; but he wanted heart, and above all strength for so rough a job. He wanted the courage, or vigour, or whatever you please to call it, which a man must have to be a leader in trying times.

Lord John's notions of a "Liberal" Candidate are equally inept. Where has the man been stumbling for these five years, who could imagine that a revival of the Melbourne Ministry would do to begin the year 1846 withal? Yet such was his re-

tended Cabinet. Every name was stale; each, almost in each office assigned to it, raised a ghost of dreary helplessness in old times. Lord Palmerston retained in the Foreign Office suggests nothing but visions of French hostilities driving English sojourners in disgust from Paris; losing litigation, never ending, with the United States; and trouble everywhere. But fancy Sir John Hobhouse, with the tragedy of the Afghan invasion yet unforgettably retained at the Board of Control! There was not a new man of mark among them; the ablest suffered from being thus restored to an alliance which savoured of nothing but memories of wearisome pertinacity in defeat. There was not a single infusion of freshness, of young strength in a Ministry which undertook the task of grappling with the ancient spirit of Monopoly—which had to face a hostile majority in both Houses, and could not possibly have achieved success except by a certain audacity in making the attack. Lord John had mustered a forlorn hope of Chelsea pensioners; and he gave up the command because he lacked the personal influence to make them agree together! Like the Bourbons, it may be said of him that he had neither forgotten nor learned anything during his exile from power.

Earl Grey, as Lord Howick, had escaped the last worst debasements of the Whig decay in Lord Melbourne's time; as a Peer, he is in a new position, with every probability of excelling his former repute. The Whig place-hunters are furious because they think (erroneously, as we have the means of showing in our news) that he it was who spoiled this their last opportunity. On the contrary he alone would have made the opportunity worth anything. The choice of Lord Palmerston as Foreign Secretary looked like an evil destiny; it excited an ague-fit in the City; it spread a "gloom" over the Bourse at Paris; if the Ministry had not been laighed to death beforehand, the distrust occasioned by Lord Palmerston would have destroyed it. Lord Grey would fain have removed that incubus; and if his wiser counsel had been followed, the Whigs might really have enjoyed place for a time—all, down to Mr. Vernon Smith, would have had a chance. Even as a leader for the party therefore, Lord Grey appeared to be a safer man than Lord John Russell. The coming session must bring forth some curious explanations; it will also severely try the men who were to have constituted Lord John's abortive Ministry; and not less severely, Lord John himself. We suspect that he has at least done one thing effectually—proved himself not at all the man that ought to be "sent for" in the next national emergency.—Spectator.

NAVAL AND MILITARY.

NAVAL.

The Earl of Haddington removes from the office, of First Lord of the Admiralty to another position in the cabinet, in which his services are still retained for the benefit of the country.

The Earl of Ellenborough, the late Governor General of India, succeeds the Earl of Haddington. We have no doubt his lordship will pursue that same fair and impartial course which has made Lord Haddington so deservedly popular with all ranks and departments under the Admiralty Board.

Sir G. Cockburn is about to retire from the Admiralty. The good-service pension of 300l per annum, which reverted to the Admiralty on the death of Adm. Sir C. Rowley, Bart., was conferred on Adm. Sir W. Hallam, &c. &c.

Officers of the navy will be shortly ordered to wear seals on the undress coat, instead of epaulettes, as heretofore similar to those worn in the army. The patterns are already sealed at the Admiralty.

The principal portions of the French and English squadrons destined to co-operate with each other in the suppression of the slave trade on the west coast of Africa, will assemble shortly at St. Thomas's, Prince's, or at Fernando Po. Our force is four or five vessels short of the number agreed to by the treaty.

NAVY OF GREAT BRITAIN.—Ships in commission on the 1st January, 1846:—Line-of-battle-ships at sea, and ready for sea in every respect, 12; line-of-battle ships and frigates in commission as ordinary guard ships and receiving ships, but unfit for service at sea, 15; frigates at sea and fitting out at the several ports, carrying from 26 to 50 guns, 32; corvettes, brigs, and cutters (excluding the Falmouth packets brigs) 67; from 2 to 24 guns each, 83; steam frigates, steam sloops, and ordinary steamers (excluding the mail packet steamers) of from 1 to 12 guns each, 95; armed troop ships of from 10 to 26 guns, 5; Discovery ships, viz. 'Erebus,' 'Terror,' and 'Porpoise,' 3. Total of all classes in commission, 345.

NAVY OF THE UNITED STATES.—The navy of the United States is every respectable. Taking their navy list, it appears that they have of all classes of ships, old, rotten, or on the stocks, on their rivers and lakes, in China and the Pacific, a grand total of 76, namely, 10 line-of-battle ships, 13 frigates of the first class, 2 of the second class, 23 sloops of war, 8 brigs, 8 schooners, 8 steamers, together with 4 store ships and brigs; but it may be safely reckoned that between 40 and 50 of this list are really superior formidable vessels, and really available for any service of emergency. Five ships of the line, alongside which, they say, our 'Victory' looks like a frigate, might be ready for sea in a month, and about 6 first-class frigates, rated as forty-fours, but really more assembling our razee 'Warpite,' which may be considered one of the best ships of her class. The Americans have only one razee, the 'Independence,' 54, a description of ship that hitherto has not been seen in any of our navy yards, but which we shall soon have to exhibit in a few razees now constructing out of some old first-rates that have not seen much service. The total number of sailors in the United States' navy is 5100, of whom about 960 are native-born Americans, the rest being principally English, with a few Swedes and Danes. Their pay is 15 dollars a month, and 4 dollars per month additional, if they don't draw any gratification. This is fully equal to three pounds ten shillings per month. With-out this high rate of wages it would be next to impossible for the secretary of the navy to man the ships.

The 'Vanguard,' 80, is the flag-ship at Cork. Lieut. John Daly, of the 'Melampus,' Capt. Campbell, was tried by court-martial at Monte Video, on a charge of drunkenness, and acquitted. He was subsequently strangled on other charges, in support of which three naval cadets of the ship gave evidence, and the Court sentenced the prisoner to be hanged by the neck with disgrace.

The 'Fury,' a steam-frigate, has been launched at Sheerness. The vessel is constructed on the design of the 'Surveillant' of the Navy; it was built with unusual rapidity, the keel having been laid not earlier than May last. Her extreme length is 214 feet 6 inches; extreme breadth (exclusive of paddle-boxes) 34 feet 6 inches; depth in hold, 27 feet; burden in tons, 1,125 tons.

An iron steam-frigate, named the 'Barracuda,' built under contract for the Royal Navy, has been launched from the builder's yard, at North Berwickhead. Her dimensions are: length, 216 feet; extreme breadth, 30 feet; and a hull depth of hold, 25 feet; tonnage, 1,400 tons. The engines will be of 500-horse power.

APPOINTMENTS.

Comdre.—T. V. Watkins, to com. 'Modeste,' vice Baillie, pro.; H. J. W. P. Gallwey, to com. 'Rapid'; J. S. A. Den-nis, to com. 'Phoenix'; A. Boyle, to 'Thunderbolt,' vice Broke, pro. Lieut.—C. Jenkins, to com. 'Myrmidon'; W. N. L. Lockyer, from 'Rodney' to 'Albion'; G. Lavie, to com. 'Flam-mer,' vice Postle, pro.; T. Cochran, to 'Carysfort'; F. E. Johnstone, to 'Terrible'; W. R. Jolliffe, to 'Hibernia'; Hon. J. Walpole, to 'Collingwood'; J. H. Furness, to 'President'; J. J. B. E. Freere, to 'Carysfort'; H. H. M. R. Page, to 'Ca-nopus'; J. West, to 'Nimrod'; E. Hardy, to 'Vernon'; W. E. Fisher, to 'Rapid'; H. J. Douglas, and H. Chads, to Naval College; H. B. Everest, to 'Phoenix.' Master.—J. Rundle, to 'Phoenix.' Mates.—J. E. Paris, of 'Excellent,' to 'Rodney'; W. Phipps, to 'Battler'; H. West, to 'Nimrod.' Second Masters.—C. Greig, of 'Seaflower,' to 'Carysfort'; W. Byford, to 'Myrmidon.' Midshipman.—A. R. Fox, to 'Carysfort.' Masters' Assistants.—E. Williams, J. O. Jones, and W. H. Parker, to 'Victory'; M. R. C. Wilson, to 'Grampus'; H. J. Cunningham, to 'Black Eagle' Chaplain.—Rev. J. H. Bastard, to 'Terrible. Assist. Surgs.—D. McBride, to 'Calypso'; F. J. Brown, and G. A. Hallian, to Haslar Hospital; D. H. Wright, to 'Gladiator'; L. Casey, to 'Myrmidon.' Paymasters and Pursers.—E. A. Smith, to 'Bittern'; H. S. Dyer, to 'Hecate'; W. H. Wiseman, to 'Sydenham'; G. Niblett, to 'Phoenix'; G. J. Starr, to 'Rapid.' Clerks.—W. H. Richards, to 'Gladiator'; J. Butter, to 'Sydenham'; W. J. Jenkins, to 'Myrmidon.'

MILITARY.

A Horse Guard circular orders the Army to be provided with a plain and elastic leather neck-stock, and cotton shirts instead of linen; white summer trousers are to be replaced by these of light worsted mixture, except in the East and West Indies, or Mediterranean.

An order for 40,000 stand of arms has been received by the Gun Trade, in Birmingham, from Government. Most of the Guns ordered are, to be put in store at the barracks at Weedon.

By order issued from the Horse Guards, it is directed that, "until further orders, the 'minimum' size of recruits for the infantry of the line will be half-an-inch below the standard prescribed by the general order of May, 1844, viz.:—Men at 5 feet 6, and growing lads under 18 years of age as low as 5 feet 5 and a half inches. Recruits for regiments in India, China, New South Wales, and St. Helena, to be eligible at 5 feet 5 and a half, if not under 18 years of age."

The China Medal is ready for distribution. It was prepared some time since, but in accordance with the policy of avoiding the possibility of creating any misinterpretation of the pacific intentions of the British Government, it was deemed prudent to alter the original device on the reverse of the medal, viz. "The British Lion trampling on the Dragon," and to substitute a trophy incapable of giving offence, by being less emblematical of conquest, and more appropriate to commemorate the expedition. The obverse of the medal, as it now appears, exhibits a faithful likeness of her Majesty, and on the reverse is the motto, "Peace in Asia restored by Victoria, 1842."

We regret to announce the death, by his own hand, of Colonel John Gurwood, on the unattached list, who, after a short sojourn at Brighton, terminated his earthly existence on 27th December, by cutting his throat. The deceased was greatly distinguished in the Peninsula, was on the staff of the Duke of Wellington at the battle of Waterloo, afterwards private secretary to the Duke of Wellington, and he has lately completed a task on which he had been for many years engaged, as editor of the 'Wellington Despatches.' He wore the Waterloo medal, and another decoration; and he filled the office of Deputy-Consul of the Tower of London.

The following are the Infantry corps as they stand for foreign service, viz.:—16th, 24th, 32nd, 5th, 6th, 37th, 36th, 56th, 63th, 76th, 67th, 5th, 44th, 70th, 41st, 26th, 83rd, 61th, 49th, 75th, 87th, 53rd, 47th, 92nd, 68th, 55th, 74th, 3rd, and 13th.

INFANTRY.

The Colonels of Irish Regiments of Militia have received orders to fill up all vacancies in the list of officers of their respective regiments. This is preparatory to the calling out of the Militia next spring, when it is supposed from 5,000 to 6,000 of that force will be embodied. All the subalterns who are in receipt of compensation and exceeding 50 years of age, will be struck off, receiving a commutation.

OFFICE OF ORDNANCE, DEC 26.

Rl. Artillery.—Gentlemen Cadets to be Second Lieut.:—W. E. M. Reilly, vice Robinson, prom.; W. B. Saunders, vice Biddulph, prom.; C. H. Smith, vice Vernon, prom.; H. T. Fitzhugh, vice Raynes, prom.; W. H. Moody, vice Milman, prom.; W. N. Hardy, vice Kennedy, prom.; J. L. Bolton, vice Lock, prom.; J. R. Lugg, vice Gilbert, dec.; G. H. J. A. Fraser, vice Baddeley, prom., T. Lambert, vice Nolre, pro. Rl. Engineers.—Gentlemen Cadets to be Second Lieut.:—C. B. P. N. H. Nugent, vice Ward, prom.; E. Bellfield, vice Jesse, prom.; Hon. G. Wrottesley, vice Boucherier, prom.; St. A. St. John, vice Grain, prom.; E. C. A. Gordon, vice Grant, prom.; W. Porter, vice Browne, prom.; J. J. Wilson, vice Somerset, prom.; G. F. Dawson, vice Montagu, prom.; G. St. J. Crofton, vice Mairis, prom.; H. Phillips, vice King, prom.

ADMIRALTY, DEC. 29.

Corps of Rl. Marines.—Gentlemen Cadets G. B. Heas-ter, H. Adair, and H. W. Mawbey, to be Sec. Lieutenants.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

EASTERN REPORTS.

PRODUCE MARKET.

There has been a considerable import of Tin during the past week, although in produce generally little business has been done.

Betelnut.—Some old Nut, bought at 80¢ per bar of 331 catties, is now being shipped on the "Ripsima Anna Maria" for Calcutta. The new crop cannot be expected before the month of May.

Grain.—Rice Arracan, have been looking up and we have news of it at the present moment 10 per coyan & this price is firm with an upward tendency.

Opium.—Benares, is firm at 600 to 610 cash, and some likelihood of rates advancing.

Pepper, Black.—We quote it 11-10 per picul, at which rate the present stock in the place could be secured.

Sugar.—The 'Reliance' is loading Sugars for London. The exports to that market from the dif-ferent estates here are estimated at 2,000 tons for the present year.

Tin.—Imports from Junk Ceylon, and holders are asking 67 per picul.

Miscellaneous.—Only a few Manila Charcoots in the place and wanted. There is now an excessive stock of Coir rope in the place. Of Gunnies a large supply, nearly unsaleable.

Passage.—The 'Reliance' is loading for Lon-don. The 'Eucles' and 'Iron Queen' are the next expected arrivals from England.—Panang Gazette, March 7.

EASTERN ARTICLES.

Arrack, Batavia.—The demand continues very dull at 87 per half league and recent imports re-main in few hands.

Alum.—Selling in moderate lots at 11-7 1/2 & 1-7 1/2 per picul.

Bees wax.—Limited supplies. A lot of 7 piculs, of superior quality, sold at 22¢ per picul, but this rate being considered too high for the home market the demand is less.

Clovest Bourbon.—There has been no supply for a long period. Moderate imports would command about 22 per picul.

Cubeb.—In demand for Calcutta at about 38¢ per picul but supplies trifling.

Camphor, China.—We are still without supplies by the Junks and as the season is now far advanced some anxiety prevails as to the quantity likely to come. The nominal rate is 16 per picul. Advices from Amoy state the article to be very scarce.

Cassia.—Nominal at 11 per picul. None for sale!

Coffee.—The imports during the month have been limited to 370 piculs from Manila which found pur-chasers by Auction at 3-60 a 4-90. Supplies would command quotations. None of good quality in the market.

Cotton.—Inquired for by the Junks traders but no transactions have taken place. Supplies moderate.

Cotton Goods, Bengal & Madras Piece Goods.—Much neglected. The trade in Bengal Goods is now reduced to a trifle the only sales during the month being a few corges of Gurrahs and Saunahs at about quotations. Sales of corges Madras blue Punjum cloth at 38 per corg, and more offered at the same rate. Madras Moorees—are also offered at very low prices. The China dyed English Shirtings appear by these low prices to have driven the Madras blue goods from this market.

Ebony.—About 1,000 piculs imported from Hy-lam which, although very inferior to the Wood from Ceylon, is being sold at good rates. The few lots of Ceylon, command 2 1/2 a 3 per picul from the Junks traders.

Gambier.—Supplies plentiful and sales made to some extent during the month at 1-65 1-60, 1-55 and it is now offered at 1-50 per picul. Shipments to England in February 6,225 piculs.

Gamboge.—Of good quality commands high rates but supplies are very limited. Sales of a few piculs at 80 a 85 per picul.

Gold Dust.—Always in demand for remittance to Calcutta. Pahong and Calantan selling as it arrives at 31 a 3 1/2 and Sambas at 23 a 29 per bun-cal.

Gunnies.—Stocks large no export demand, and only saleable for immediate use at low rates.

Gum, Benjamin.—No supplies and wanted for shipment to Europe and India. Gun Copal—in no request.

Hides & Horns, Buffalo.—Supplies, which dur-ing the last month have been limited to 167 piculs, find purchasers at 14 for the former and 5-15 for the latter.

Mother of Pearl Shells.—None and wanted; last sale at 13 1/2 per picul.

Mace & Nu megs.—Are advancing in price and none of good quality obtainable under 100 for the former and 80 per picul for the latter.

Opium.—The imports from Calcutta during the month have been about 600 chests. At the early part of February sales were confined to a chest or two at a time to meet the immediate demand of Native traders, but on the arrival of supplies from the first sale some activity prevailed. Patna—re-alized 600—and Benares 505 a 615. There has been no enquiry for Malwa, which is nominally worth of 700, and imports for some time past re-main unsold. In Turkey—a few chests have been sold at 570 per picul, but the demand is languid.

The advance or decline in prices depend chiefly on the rates obtainable in China for new Opium.

Pepper, Black.—The demand continues good and extensive sales have been made of clean, dry Sing-gapore and Rhio at 4-10 a 4-25. White Pepper—saleable as it arrives at 6 1/2 a 7.

Rice.—Considerable imports from Arracan which have been sold at 43 a 47 for common, and 52 1/2 for fine long grained. Supplies from Cochin China realised 52 a 54 per coyan. Limited sales of Moogy at 2 per bag.

Rattans.—Are plentiful at quotation, few sales have however taken place.

Sago, Pearl.—Is now more freely offered and sales made at 23 25 a 3 30 and Flour at 2-95 a 3 per picul reported in February 400 piculs.

Sugar.—The supplies brought by the ships of the King of Cochin China amounted to 11,200 piculs of which 7,900 piculs have been sold at 85 and the remaining 4,200 piculs will be taken to Batavia. About 1,000 piculs of first quality Sum sold at 85 per picul.

Sapan Wood, Manila.—None and wanted.

Silk Raw, Canton No. 3.—Continues very dull, sales at about 255. Imports by the Junks are selling at quotations.

Segors, Manila.—The demand has been dull throughout the month and sales made on a very limited scale at about quotations.

Tea, Junk.—No transaction of consequence have yet taken place, sales being confined to a few hun-dred boxes at 6 a 6-50 per 20 catties to supply the India Markets. The quality of some of the im-ports is reported to be superior.

Tin, Seals.—Supplies during the month have been 2,674 piculs which readily found purchasers at 17 1/2 and 17 3/4. A lot of inferior from Calantan sold at 13 per picul.

Tortoiseshell.—None and wanted.

EXCHANGE.

On ENGLAND.—The transactions during the month have not been to any large amount. There are several sellers of Bills at 6 months sight at 4-3 1/2, but buyers are looked for an advance. Navy Bills 4s 2d.

On CALCUTTA.—About 50,000 has been paid into the Treasury for Bills on the Bengal Govern-ment at 220. Private Bills to a limited sum have been sold at 222.

On MADRAS & BOMBAY.—Nominal at 225. On CHINA—at par.

TONNAGE.

The Sarah is likely to go to Shanghai. The de-termination of the Emma is not yet fixed. There is a large quantity of Gambier on hand for shipment but very little of any other cargo the ships now loading—the Beluamen and Roselberry for London and the Guzman for Liverpool—having cleared the market of all merchandise bought.—Singapore Free Press, March 12.

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