

PORTO NOVO IRON WORKS.

THE IRON AND STEEL COMPANY, have now again blown in their Furnaces, and are 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 produced:—Large Castings.—Columns or Pillars, Beams and Pipes, for Buildings, &c. Small Castings.—Plain and Ornamental Brackets for Wall Sheds, Lamps, Shelvcs, &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.

Castings of all kinds 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.

VICTORIA HOTEL,

SHANGHAI.

P. F. RICHARDS, begs to inform the Foreign community resident in China, that his new house being now nearly completed, will be opened (under the above title) for the accommodation of the Public on or about the 15th day of June next on, being so trusty to strict attention to the comfort of his guests, and moderate charges, to render it worthy of their patronage.

P. F. R. having made arrangements for an ample supply of the very best Wines, Foreign and British Brandy, Ale, Porter, Beer, Soda Water, Lemonade, &c. &c. and having spared no expense in the building and furnishing of his house, feels confident the accommodation and entertainment at the Victoria Hotel, cannot be surpassed by those of any other house of public resort in China.

N.B.—Shipping supplied with Fresh Provisions of every description, and of the very best quality on the most moderate terms. Shanghai, 16th April 1846.

BRITISH HOTEL,

KWING HOUSE,

Queen's Road, Victoria.

MICHAEL GABRIEL has the honour to announce to his friends and the public, that he has taken a large spacious and commodious premises known as Keying House, where he intends to carry on the business of a Hotel keeper, and he begs to assure those parties who may be pleased to patronize his new establishment, that nothing shall be wanting on his part to insure to them the greatest comfort and attention.

Billiards can be engaged in airy and spacious rooms with a water frontage, at the following rates, viz:—Day Games 1 Rupee. Night do. 1 do.

A CARD,

R. A. BRYNE,

Shipping General and Commission Agent and Auctioneer, CHUSAN.

DEGS to acquire the merchants and others of B China &c. &c. that he has commenced business in the above capacity; and in soliciting their patronage, assures them, that his best endeavours on all occasions shall be to promote their interest. From his long experience in mercantile houses, his having been two and a half years on the island, and doing business on moderate charges, he trusts to insure success.

Respectable reference can be given if required. Chusan, 3rd April 1846.

CHARLES BUCKTON,

DEGS leave to intimate that he has this day opened a house in the Queen's road, at the foot of Oswald's hill, in connection with his establishment at Whampoa, for the purpose of supplying ships &c. with stores of every description, viz:—Canvas, Twine, Cordage, Blocks, Bunting, Duck, Paints, Paint Oil, Turpentine, Tar, Pitch, Varnish, Ship and Cabin Bread, Flour, Provisions, Sperm Candles, Manilla Cerooots, Tobacco, Oilman's Stores, Guns, Shot, Spars, Oars, Handspikes &c. Brandy, Rum, Whisky, Geneva, Port, Sherry, Champagne, Claret &c.

Indian and London bottled Pale Ale, Barclay's Porter and various other stores. Superior Stores purchased or exchanged. Hongkong, 1st May 1846.

NOTICE,

M. R. NIMAN CRAWFORD is authorised to sign for me by procuration at Hongkong from this date.

CHARLES BUCKTON:

24 April 1846.

FOR SALE,

Ex Nicolas Guard:

French Plums in tins, in first order. Ex Hebrides:

A Invoice of Pannas (Cortum) or Leather Cloth Boots and Shoes, strongly recommended to persons with tender feet.

Ex Wanders: A number of Memel Red Pine Planks 14 ft x 10 in. by 3 in.

Ex Monarch:

Allsop's Beer in bottle.

CHARLES BUCKTON,

Queen's Road and Whampoa Reach. 1st May 1846.

FOR SALE.

SUPERIOR selection of goods from Messrs Devonport & Co. daily expected per "Mirzapore," consisting of:—Enamelled Dinner services, ditto and Japan Dessert services, ditto and ditto Breakfast services, ditto and ditto Tea services, Chamber Sets, Embossed Jugs of all sizes, with, and without covers. Seventy dozen Tea tasters and Cups, Eight and twelve light Chandeliers, with richly cut opal glasses, and fittings to match. 9, 10 and 12 inch Vase Lamps, with shades &c. Quart and Pint Decanters; water bottles, Tumblers; Wine, Claret, Champagne and Liqueur Glasses. Taper Green Glasses; Butter, Tubs and Stands; Sals; Cruet stands; night Lamps &c. &c. CHARLES BUCKTON, Queen's Road, and Whampoa Reach. Victoria, 1st May, 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 Potting Street.

SMITH & BRIMELOW have received ex Pre-Diosca, a quantity of Zebu Chocolate in suitable packages which they offer for sale.

1 & 2 Woosnam's Buildings, Queen's Road, 31st March 1846.

NOTICE,

SMITH & BRIMELOW, beg respectfully to intimate to the Merchants of Victoria, that they have taken those dry and commodious Godowns in Keying House, where they shall be most happy to receive Goods on Storage upon moderate terms.

Victoria, 6th May 1846.

FOR SALE.

A FEW boxes of cold pressed Sperm Candles, at the Stores of, SMITH & BRIMELOW, Woosnam's Buildings, Victoria, 12th May, 1846.

FOR SALE by the undersigned a few Ladies silk Dresses of different shades, Gorge Shawls and silk and satin Cravats; Ladies white and colored Muslin also Habit Shirts, Collars and Cuffs, Kid and Cotton Gloves, Gents French Boots; Childrens summer Clothing made of best Broad Holland; table Napkins and Bathing Towels.

L. E. CHRISTOPHER,

Victoria, 16th May 1846.

JUST received in good condition a few fine O's fine Indian Arrowroot in 5 lb. tins; also Butter, Corn Beef and Tongues, Oilman's stores, &c.

L. E. CHRISTOPHER,

Victoria, 16th May 1846.

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.

JUST received and for sale, a few cases of superior Pale Ale, (Bas's). DRINKER & HEYL, Victoria, May 1st, 1846.

NOTICE,

THE interest and responsibility of Mr ROBERT WALLACE in our firm ceased on the 1st inst. by mutual consent.

MACGEWEN & Co.

Victoria, Hongkong, 4th May 1846.

Ex ALFRED FROM LONDON. JUST arrived, an assortment of Oilman's Stores &c. MACGEWEN & Co. Queen's Road, 28th May 1846.

FOR SALE,

BY the undersigned a few Jars of superior English Paint Oil. C. MARKWICK, Auctioneer, Pottinger Street, Victoria, 19th November, 1845.

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

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 Southampton; 2nd for goods deliverable at 4th for goods deliverable at intermediate ports. They are printed after the Company's forms on Bank paper. Office "Friend of China" 25th October, 1845.

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

LINGUISTS REPORTS and NAVY BILLS, or sale at this Office. Office Friend of China, 28th Dec, 1844.

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

SIR ROBERTS' PEEL'S COMMERCIAL RESOLUTIONS.

The following are the resolutions to be proposed by Sir R. Peel in Committee on Customs and Corn Importation Acts.

Resolved.—That, in lieu of the duties now payable on the importation of corn, grain, meal, or flour, there shall be paid, until the 1st day of February, 1849, the following duties, viz:—

If imported from any foreign country; Wheat:—Whenever the average price of wheat, made up and published in the manner required by law, shall be, for every quarter . . . 2 6

Under 45s the duty shall be, for every qr. 10 0 45s and under 45s . . . 9 0 45s and under 50s . . . 8 0 50s and under 51s . . . 7 0 51s and under 52s . . . 5 0 52s and under 53s . . . 5 0 53s and upwards . . . 3 0 Barley, beer, or bigg: . . . 4 0

Whenever the average price of barley, made up and published in the manner required by law, shall be, for every quarter . . . 8 6 Under 26s the duty shall be, for every qr. 5 0 27s and under 27s . . . 4 6 27s and under 28s . . . 4 0 28s and under 29s . . . 3 6 29s and under 30s . . . 3 0 30s and under 31s . . . 2 6 31s and upwards . . . 2 0

Whenever the average price of oats, made up and published in the manner required by law, shall be for every quarter . . . 4 0 Under 18s the duty shall be, for every qr. 3 0 18s and under 19s . . . 3 0 19s and under 20s . . . 3 0 20s and under 21s . . . 2 6 21s and under 22s . . . 2 0 22s and upwards . . . 1 6

Rye, peas, and beans:—For every quantity of amount to the duty payable on a quarter of barley. Wheat meal and flour:—For every barrel, being one hundred and ninety-six pounds; . . . 4 0 A duty equal in amount to the duty payable on thirty-eight gallons and a half of wheat . . . 3 0

Barley meal:—For every quantity of pounds:—A duty equal in amount to the duty payable on a quarter of barley. Oat meal:—For every quantity of 18 1/2 lbs; . . . 4 0 A duty equal in amount to the duty payable on a quarter of oats.

Rye meal:—For every quantity of pounds:—A duty equal in amount to the duty payable on a quarter of rye. Pea meal and bean meal:—For every quantity of pounds:—A duty equal in amount to the duty payable on a quarter of peas or beans.

And that from and after the said 1st day of February, 1849, there shall be paid the following duties, viz:—Agates or cordials, set, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 10s and beer of all sorts, for every barrel 10 0 0 Almonds, paste of, for every 100l value 10 0 0 Amber, manufactures of, not enumerated, for 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Arrow-root, the cwt . . . 0 2 6

—if and from a British possession, p cwt . 0 6 Bannisterine (raw), for every 100l value . 10 0 0 —of and from a British possession, for every 100l value . . . 5 0 0 Barley, pearl, the cwt . . . 0 2 6 —of and from a British possession, the cwt . . . 0 1 3

Bag ropes, twines, and stands, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 —of and from a British possession, for every 100l value . . . 5 0 0 Beads, viz:—arango, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 coral, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 crystal, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 jet, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 —not otherwise enumerated or described 10 0 0

Beef of mutton, the barrel . . . 1 0 0 Beans, manufactures of, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 —pepper of, for every 100l value . . . 1 0 0 Brocade of gold or silver, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Bronse, manufactures of, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

—powder, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Buck wheat, the quarter . . . 0 1 0 Butter, the cwt . . . 0 10 0 —of and from a British possession, the cwt . . . 0 2 6

Buttons, metal, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Candles, viz:—stearic, the lb . . . 0 0 3 —stearine, the lb . . . 0 0 1 1/2 —tallow, the cwt . . . 0 10 0 —wax, the lb . . . 0 0 2

Cases, walking canes or sticks, mounted, painted, or otherwise ornamented, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Carriages of all sorts, for every 100l value 10 0 0 Casks, empty, for every 100l value . . . 12 0 0 Casstra powder, the cwt . . . 0 2 6

—of and from a British possession, the cwt . . . 0 0 6 Castings, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Cheese, the cwt . . . 5 0 0 —of and from a British possession, the cwt . . . 0 1 0

China or porcelain ware, painted or plain, gilt or ornamented, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Older, the ton . . . 5 5 0 Citron, preserved in salt, for every 100l value . . . 5 0 0

Clocks, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Copper manufactures, not otherwise enumerated or described, and copper plates engraved, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Copper or brass wire, for every 100l value 10 0 0 Cotton, articles or manufactures of cotton, wholly or in part made up, not otherwise charged with duty, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

—of and from a British possession, for every 100l value . . . 5 0 0 Crayons, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Crystal, cut or manufactured, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

Cucumbers, preserved, for every 100l value . 5 0 0 —of and from a British possession, for every 100l value . . . 2 10 0

Fish, cured, not otherwise enumerated, the cwt . . . 0 1 0 Gauze of thread, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 —of and from a British possession, for every 100l value . . . 5 0 0

Hair, manufactures of hair or goats' wool, or of hair or goats' wool and any other material, and articles of such manufacture wholly or in part made up, not particularly enumerated, or otherwise charged with duty, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

—of and from a British possession, for every 100l value . . . 5 0 0 Harms of all kinds, the cwt . . . 0 7 0 —of and from a British possession, the cwt . . . 0 2 6

Harp strings, or lute-strings, silvered, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Hats or bonnets, viz:—of chip, the lb . . . 0 3 6

—of best, cane, or horsehair hats or bonnets, each hat or bonnet not exceeding 22 inches in diameter, the dozen . . . 0 7 6 —each hat or bonnet exceeding 22 inches in diameter, the dozen . . . 0 10 0

—straw hats or bonnets, the lb . . . 0 5 0 Hats, felt, hair, wool, or beaver hats, each . . . 0 2 0

—made of silk, silk shag laid upon felt, linen, or other material, each . . . 0 2 0 Hops, the cwt . . . 2 5 0

Iron and steel, wrought, not otherwise enumerated, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Japanned or lacquered wares, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

Lace, viz, thread, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 —made by the hand, commonly called customer pillow lace, whether of linen, cotton, or silken thread, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

Latten wire, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0 Lead, manufactures of, not otherwise enumerated, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

Leather, manufactures of:—boots, shoes, and calashes, viz:—women's boots and calashes, the dozen pair . . . 0 6 0

—women's boots and calashes, if lined or trimmed with fur or other trimming, the dozen pair . . . 0 7 0

—women's shoes with cork or double soles, quilted shoes, and clogs, the dozen pair . . . 0 5 0

—women's shoes, if trimmed or lined with fur, or any other trimming, the dozen pair . . . 0 6 0

—women's shoes of silk, satin, jean, or other stuffs, kid, morocco, or other leather, the dozen pair . . . 0 5 0

—women's shoes, if trimmed or lined with fur or any other trimmings, the dozen pair . . . 0 5 0

—girl's boots, shoes, and calashes, not exceeding seven inches in length, to be charged with two-thirds of the above duties . . . 0 1 8

—men's boots, the dozen pair . . . 0 14 0 —men's shoes, the dozen pair . . . 0 7 0

—boys' boots and shoes, not exceeding seven inches in length, to be charged with two-thirds of the above duties . . . 0 1 8

Leather cut into shapes, or any article made of leather, or any manufacture whose leather is the most valuable part, not otherwise enumerated or described, for every 100l value . . . 10 0 0

Linen, or linnen and cotton, viz:—Cottons and linnen, commonly called French linnen, the piece not exceeding eight yards long, and not exceeding one yard in breadth, and so in proportion, the yard greater or less quantity, than the piece . . . 10 0 0

—bordered manufactures, the piece . . . 10 0 0

Table listing various goods and their prices, including items like 'Linen of any sort', 'Cottons', 'Silk manufactures', and 'Woolens'. Includes columns for item name and price.

Resolved, That the duties of Customs chargeable upon the goods, wares, and merchandise hereafter mentioned, imported into the United Kingdom...

A corrected copy of these resolutions has been since published, by authority, but the only difference between the two is the omission to the corrected report of the following paragraph:—'Plain linen and diaper, not otherwise enumerated or described, and whether checked or striped with dye, yarn, or not, for every 100l. value, 10l.'—Ibid.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHANGHAI. Our advices are to the 1st instant. The arrivals from England have added 250,000 pieces to the stock of Cotton Goods in first hands; moderate sales of bleached shirtings have been made at 1800 to 2800; greys are dull at 1800 to 2400. In barter for produce the quotations are about 30 cents higher. Woolens have been in less demand, and prices have receded. About 3,000 pieces have been added to the stock of Spanish Stripes, and considerable sales have been made at 8 1/2; though it is doubtful whether they can now be given up as high as 8 1/2. A very superior article in Stripes was placed at 8 1/2; we also hear of some trifling transactions in habit cloths at 81.55. Long Ellis nominally 82.50, with a downward tendency, the season for woollen goods being nearly over. Twilled Cottons have been sold at, for greys, 2995 to 3810 for 30 yard pieces, and 2870 for 40 yard pieces. White goods of this description have realized 83.50 to 85.30, but the imports have been excessive. In produce there has been little variation. The Tea exports are only brought down to the end of March, at which date they were for the season, Black, lbs. 2,173,584 Green, ,, 2,173,436

9,888,040. The ship Tomatin to sail for England, on the 4th instant, had on board 300 tons of tea. Six or 600 bales of the same, the Tomatin; the prices quoted for these purchases is a fair rate. The Teative 4400 to 4405 inferior to good fair quality, 290 to 300. This same, best 3310 inferior to good fair quality 210 to 290. Yacoda, best 3370—common to good 200 to 300. Stock 1,300 bales, and 500 bales purchased but not shipped. Shipments for the season, including the Tomatin, 13,810 bales. The weather has been rather unfavorable for the new crop of silk, which was expected to be in the market about the end of June. Frolics are quoted at 7,710, and lamage scarce. The Jeremiah Garnett, New Margard and Old England, were filling up with teas for the home market. The money market was rather tight, some exchange transactions having taken place at 44 1/2; Spence bearing a premium of 8 per cent.

CANTON, 22nd May 1846. The Canton market continues in a very depressed state for every description of import. The known difficulties of some of the Native Merchants added to other causes—heavy stocks in the hands of foreign Merchants, with enormous shipments of produce on its way to England—have materially affected the transactions of the past month.

IMPORTS. Cotton.—Stocks have been somewhat reduced at our quotations; but there is no desire to make large purchases, and the market is without animation. Cotton Goods.—Transactions have been chiefly confined to second hands, who have evinced a strong desire to realize, that they might be put in possession of funds to give advances upon the next tea crop. For 72 reed, grey and white, the current rates would not average more than 2605; the lower fabrics (reel 56 to 60) range from 1870 to 1830. The finer qualities of white goods have been higher in proportion. Yarns.—Late arrivals have added to stocks, and prices have declined about two dollars a picul. Sales have been limited. Woollens.—Unsaleable. Prices quite nominal. Woollens.—Little enquired for, and prices unaltered, with the exception of Long Ellis, which has been in some demand at better prices. Spanish Stripes have been shipped to Shanghai, where sales had been made at fair rates, though it is probable that they will arrive too late for the season, which for woollens goods, is nearly over. Opium.—Since the news of the End Sales arrived, prices have receded to 6670 for Patna and 6650 for Benares, with a tendency downwards. Heavy time bargains made at 5000, which now would fetch 4000, and as the demand for actual delivery is very limited, lower prices may be looked for, especially as there is a large supply of Malwa, and the sales at 4710.

EXPORTS. The transactions of the month comprise 20 chests of Congou, at 14 taels for very low quality, up to 18 for tea of a fair common class. Of Souchoing, 10 chests have been taken at 18 to 20 taels for common, and 25 taels for good. The market is nearly bare, and the teas remaining are chiefly low qualities of Young Hyson, a few scented orange Pekoes and Capers. Canton made green tea is going into the market, but the prices asked, check pa-chai. The masters of Twankays, Imperial, Canton, and Gunpowder are good, but the holders must submit to a deduction before buyers will close with them. There are also some of last years green teas in the market, and as the Americans have closed their purchases for the season, they will probably be secured for the English market at reasonable prices. The prices asked for Bills having been sold at 4s 3d. A gain lower, good Bills were sold at 4s 3d previous to the arrival of the mail, but buyers are now rather shy. Company's accepted bills have been sold at 212 per 1000, at which rate they are in demand.

PRICES CURRENT.

Table listing prices for various goods like Ale, Amber, Betel Nut, Canvas, Scotch, Copper, Sheathing, etc.

COTTON GOODS.

Table listing prices for Cotton Goods like White Shirtings, Grey ditto, Yarn, Nos. 16 & 24, etc.

Woolens.

Table listing prices for Woolens like Spanish Stripes, Long Ellis, well assorted, Camlets, English, etc.

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EXPORTS.—CN BOARD.

Table listing prices for exports like Alum, Campor, Cassia, Buds, China Roots, Musk, Rhubarb, etc.

TEA.

Table listing prices for tea like Congou, common Ts, 4 0 to 7.18 0 do, Orange Pekoe, 15 0 to 20 0 do, etc.

EXPORT OF TEA TO THE UNITED STATES IN 50 YEARS.

Table showing export statistics for tea to the United States from 1800 to 1845, including total value and quantity.

Table listing prices for various goods like Young Hyson, Imperial, Gunpowder, etc.

SLIP EXPORT.

The Export of Raw Silk to the United Kingdom, from Canton and Shanghai, from 1st July to 20th May amounts to about 15,700 Bales; as follows:—

Table showing slip export statistics for raw silk from Canton and Shanghai, including quantities and values.

PRICES OF HULLION.

Table listing prices for Bullion like Sycee Silver, Spanish Dollars, etc.

SHANGHAI.

Per Old England, Br. ship, No. 127, from Liverpool, arrived 11th April, 1846. Thos. Ripley & Co.

Table listing prices for various goods like 63,750 pieces Grey Shirtings, 5,005 ,, Cottons, etc.

EXPORTS.

Table listing prices for exports like Per Janet Wilson, Br. barque, for London, etc.

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Table listing prices for exports like Per Emerald, Hamburg barque, for Hongkong, etc.

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Table listing prices for exports like 120 bales Raw Silk, etc.