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

THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steam Ship **LADY MARY WOOD**, will leave this for the above places on Wednesday, the 24th of June.

CARGO WILL BE RECEIVED ON BOARD UNTIL NOON, AND SPECIE UNTIL 4 P. M. OF TUESDAY THE 23RD.

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 20 days, and CALCUTTA in 34 days, from the date of leaving CHINA. Steamers belonging to the 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.

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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.

Until further notice the Rates of Freight will be as follows:

For MEASUREMENTS GOODS.

To SINGAPORE, per Ton of 40

Cubic Feet.....\$120 Sp.

And for SPECIE.

To MADRAS and CALCUTTA.....2 percent.

CEYLON.....14 "

SINGAPORE and PENANG.....1 "

No Goods can be received for Overland Transit unless packed in non-susceptible Coverings as Wood, Matting, Tarred Cloth, &c., and the Contents and Value of each Package either marked on the outside, or declared in Writing at the time of Shipment.

Further particulars regarding the Rates of Freight and Passage may be obtained by application at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong.

J. A. OLDING, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1846.

FOR MANILA.

THE Spanish Brig **SIL** will sail for the above port on about twelve days.

For freight or passage, apply to the Captain on board.

Victoria, 20th June 1846.

TO LET.

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

BUSH & Co.

Victoria, 6th March 1846.

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.

TO LET.

A HOUSE on Queen's Road, containing twelve rooms, with godowns. Apply to

ARCH: MELVILLE

Victoria, 14th April, 1846.

TO BE LET.

A Single and a double storied Godown. Apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Victoria, 6th June 1846.

TO LET.

THREE convenient Houses, two in Gough Street, the other in Hollywood Road, at a low rent.

Apply to

ROWLAND REES,

Victoria, 4th June 1846.

TO LET.

THE spacious and convenient two storied House Corner of Wellington and D'Aguiar Streets, formerly occupied by the Supreme Court; has good dry godowns and convenient mercantile Offices. Rent \$50 per month. For further particulars apply to

E. SPRING,

Ravenburg Cottage,

Stanton Street.

TO LET, three furnished rooms, with a bath, in a convenient and healthy part of Town, rent moderate; for particulars apply to

D. LAPRAIK,

Wellington Terrace, D'Aguiar St.

Victoria, 5th June 1846.

TO LET.

THE godowns, and first floor of the premises on Queen's Road, adjoining Messrs Smith and Brimelow. Apply to

GEO. STRACHAN,

Victoria, 1st June 1846.

TO LET.

THE Bungalow on the Hollywood Road, to the east of Union Chapel; contains dining and drawing rooms, three bedrooms, bath, and servants offices &c.; also two houses in Gage Street, consisting of four rooms and servants offices. Apply to

GEO. STRACHAN.

Victoria, 1st June 1846.

TO LET,

TWO Houses on the south side of Gough Street. Apply to

GEO. STRACHAN.

Victoria, 1st June 1846.

TO LET.

TWO commodious Houses situated in Stanley Street, containing 8 Rooms each, with yard and outhouses; rent moderate. For further particulars apply to

D. LAPRAIK, 1 Wellington Terrace,

D'Aguiar Street.

Victoria 5th May 1846.

TO LET ON LEASE.

A Godown situate on Lot 19 Queen's Road, with sea frontage, at present in the occupation of Mr C. W. BOWRA. Apply at the Office *Friend of China*.

Victoria 6th June 1846.

ORIENTAL BANK.

NOTICE.—Mr CHARLES J. F. STUART (late Manager at Bombay) will take charge of the China Branch of the Oriental Bank from the 1st proximo.

Hongkong, 26th May 1846.

FOR SALE.

MADEIRA in Pipes, Hogheads and quarter Casks, from the well known House of Stoddart & Co.

Sherry in Pipes,

Port in 3 dozen Cases. Apply to

DENT & Co.

Victoria, 15th June 1846.

NOTICE.

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

MACVICAR & Co.

Victoria, 23rd January, 1846.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned have been appointed Agents at Shanghai for the Imperial Fire Office of London.

BLENKIN, RAWSON & Co.

Victoria, 22d April 1846.

FOR SALE.

AT the Godowns of Messrs BLENKIN, RAWSON & Co superior Sherry, Madras, and Port in wood and bottle. Champagne from the house of Mumm & Co. Rheims.

Hongkong, 1st June 1846.

PHENIX MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CALCUTTA.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above named Company, are prepared to grant Policies in Hongkong and Canton, payable in London, Calcutta, Bombay, and China.

MURROW & Co.

Hongkong, 23rd May 1846.

FOR SALE.

WEBSTER, Gordon, Cussart & Co's. superior Madeira, in Hhd; quarter and half quarter casks, and in cases. FLETCHER & Co.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1845.

NOTICE.

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

HEGAN & Co.

1st January, 1846.

FOR SALE.

BLANDY'S Madeira, in half pipes, hhd's, and quarter casks. Apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Victoria, 10th April 1846.

NOTICE.

MR JOSEPH L. ROBERTS is a partner in our firm.

AUGUSTINE, BEARD & Co.

Canton, 20th March, 1846.

NOTICE.

MR AUGUSTUS RAWLINS HUDSON is authorised to sign our firm by procuration.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, 29th May 1846.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Firm of FRANK WILKS & Co., of Canton, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 7th March last. The undersigned will continue the Business of the late Firm at Canton, from this date, under the Firm of FISCHER & Co.

MAXIMILIAN FISCHER.

Canton, 20th June 1846.

MR M. A. PILLANS is authorised to sign our firm per procuration from this date.

(Signed) COCKERELL & Co.

Calcutta, 1st May 1846.

NOTICE.

THE business of the undersigned will in future be carried on under the firm of

Wm. PUSTAU & Co.

at Hongkong and Canton.

China, the 1st of January 1846.

SUMMER WINES & BEER.

ON SALE by the undersigned—An excellent light Claret for summer use, cheap; Champagne; Hock; Straw Colored and Golden Sherry, of 1st quality; Port; Alsop's and other Ales in wood and bottle.

AND,

Superior Navy Canvas, Anchors of various sizes, Chain Cables, Europe Rope, and other ship stores.

Also,

An Loterie of Colored Window Glass, suitable for ornamental Doors and Windows.

W. H. FRANKLYN.

Victoria, 9th June 1846.

TO LET.

TWO Spacious Rooms in a house fronting the Queen's Road, apply to

W. H. FRANKLYN.

Victoria, 19th June 1846.

200 Piculs Camphor packed ready for Shipment at a very low price.

W. H. FRANKLYN.

FOR SALE by the undersigned;

Alsop's Beer in bottle.

Byass's do do.

HOLMES & BIGHAM.

Victoria, 22nd April 1846.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED.

MILNERS Patent Fire Proof Boxes.

AND

Sotherans Patent Water Filters of sizes.

ROBERT RUTHERFURD.

Queen's Road, June 6th, 1846.

FOR SALE.

JUST received, ex "Queen," a batch of Bragg's Pale Ale, in cases of 4 dozen.

ALSO,

Fresh Seltzerwater, ex "Caster."

ROBERT RUTHERFURD.

Queen's Road,

Victoria, 18th May, 1846.

ROBERT RUTHERFURD has just received

an assortment of Damask Table covers of different sizes and colours.

ALSO,

A lot of Summer Hats.

Queen's Road, Victoria, 19th May, 1846.

FOR SALE.

MR. R. RUTHERFURD, has just received a lot of Hogheads of Bass's India Pale Ale, in excellent order.

ALSO,

A lot of very fine Teas for Family use.

Queen's Road, 7th May, 1846.

THE Undersigned respectfully begs leave to inform Captains of Vessels and the Public in general, that he is prepared to supply Ship and Cabin Storks of all descriptions, and Miscellaneous Articles of the best quality, and on the most reasonable Terms.

A PASSAGE BOAT leaves Whampoa for Canton twice daily, and PRIVATE BOATS may be engaged at any hour with good and trustworthy Crews.

Goods transhipped or stored, and General Shipping Business executed with promptitude and despatch.

THOMAS HUNT.

Store Ship *Jardine*, Whampoa Reach,

10th June 1846.

VICTORIA HOTEL,

HONGKONG.

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 ensuing, when he trusts by 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 a constant supply of the very best Wines, Foreign and British Spirit, Ale, Porter, Beer, Soda Water, Lemonade &c. &c., and having spared no expence 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, 18th April 1846.

NOTICE.

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

S. B. RAWLE.

N. DUES.

Victoria, Hongkong, 1st October, 1845.

ROMAN CEMENT.

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

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

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

FOR SALE

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

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

Victoria, 25th October, 1845.

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED.

AN assortment of Anchors and Chain Cables, A Europe Manila and Coy Rope, Hemp and Cotton Canvas, and several Spars, covers, and topmasts.

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

Victoria, 28th October, 1845.

FOR SALE.

100 Piculs Camphor; packed ready for shipment.

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

Victoria, 20th February, 1846.

ZINC.

AN Invoice for sale by the undersigned.

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

Queen's Road, 9th May, 1846.

FLOOR MATS.

FOR SALE by the undersigned, Scotch Floor Mats (white) in rolls and single mats of 20 yards each. This matting is much superior to that manufactured in Canton.

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

Queen's Road, 9th May, 1846.

PIANO FORTES.

FOR SALE two Cabinet Pianos one of Rosewood, the other of Mahogany with metal plates, a set of extra wires, tuning hammer and fork complete. Maker, C. S. Webb, 142 1/2 Fleet-street London.

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

Victoria, 16th May, 1846.

AMERICAN FLOUR.

A few barrels of kilo dried flour for sale by

RAWLE, DUES & Co.

Victoria, 16th May, 1846.

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 1838, are requested to send their address, and their accounts will be forwarded to them without delay.

JNO. SMITH

Macao, 18th February, 1846.

MESSRS HUNTER & BARTON, beg to announce that their Macao Establishment has been removed to No. 15 *Dominic Hong* Causeway.

MEMORANDUM REGISTER FOR THE WEEK ENDING 1st JUNE 1866.

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1st June	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
2nd June	25	26	27	28	29	30	1st July
3rd June	31	1	2	3	4	5	6
4th June	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
5th June	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
6th June	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
7th June	28	29	30	1	2	3	4
8th June	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9th June	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
10th June	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
11th June	26	27	28	29	30	1	2
12th June	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13th June	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
14th June	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
15th June	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
16th June	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
17th June	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
18th June	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
19th June	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
20th June	29	30	1	2	3	4	5
21st June	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
22nd June	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
23rd June	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
24th June	27	28	29	30	1	2	3
25th June	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
26th June	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
27th June	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
28th June	25	26	27	28	29	30	1
29th June	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
30th June	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1st July	16	17	18	19	20	21	22

They have no doubt that their comrades were drowned as their hands were tied. Captain Marcell was killed in the affair, one man at Cominsong is wounded beyond the hope of recovery, and three were drowned, besides made prisoners, and one is still unaccounted for.

This is one of the most cold blooded atrocities on record, to be surpassed only by the massacre of the Chinese at Amoy in 1859. It is proper to mention, that Captain Talbot, in addition to the Spaniards put on board the "Cominsong," also despatched the Spanish Helmsman, "Vulture," and would have employed H.M. Steamer "Vulture" on the same service, but from her draft of water she would have been of no use.

We have been requested to publish the following documents as a sequel to the correspondence between Mr Farren and the British Merchants at Manila. A perusal of these papers will satisfy the reader, of Mr Farren's incapacity for the office he now holds and cause regret that a servant of the British Government should place himself in a position to be charged with an untruth.

Mr Farren affords another proof of the evil caused by conferring appointments upon those who are not qualified to hold them creditably to themselves or to the power that places them in office. A very slight acquaintance with the Sugar trade of the East would have convinced any reasonable man that there is just as much risk of slave growth being shipped to Manila as there is of slave growth being shipped from China. An acquaintance with commercial affairs, would have told him that a Merchant's books cannot give evidence of the growth of the produce that passes through them, and unless perfectly ignorant of commercial usage, he might have known that to demand inspection of the books is an insult of the most gross description.

We live and learn, and Mr Farren may profit by the lesson he has received, and attend to the simple duties of his appointment, without evincing a desire to make himself a person of importance by putting his countrymen in Manila to the greatest possible trouble. Should he relapse into his late melancholy state, we would advise him carefully to peruse his own letters, and we think they will curbin of any incipient symptoms of the Grandes fave.

COPY.
H. M. Consul to these Possessions in reference to the late correspondence on Sugar certificates, calls the attention of those who are interested in that document to the following communication:—

The letters addressed to him by the British merchants as well as the protest and representations previously made by one of them, had for their express object, to declare that no proof of origin could legally be required from the shippers of Sugar, and that they should be exempt from giving any. To that opinion H. M. Consul dissented; and during the correspondence then arrived a form of certificate sanctioned by H. M. Government, and directed to be adopted, which conferred the view he had taken, as it requires the certifying officer to state, not only that he has examined the contents of the shipper's declaration, and believes them to be true, but that "satisfactory evidence has been given," that the Sugar specified in that declaration in reality and bank file of the growth and production is warranted.

Although the correspondence alluded to was directed to the object which has been stated, H. M. Consul has understood, since it was evinced, that the production of commercial books to prove the origin of the Sugar has lately been made a subject of alleged grievance. During the period in which 22 Certificates were issued, such objections were submitted to him on the part of the shippers, and H. M. Consul is of opinion that they were groundless or exaggerated, and the right of the certifying officer to claim that evidence he unqualifyingly maintains. Being desirous however to adopt the obligations of this measure to the wishes of those who are constrained by them, so far as may be compatible with his opinion of the superior claims of public duty, he has taken into consideration the applicability of that object to the objection in question, as he would have done at any time that properly submitted to him, and he now communicates that, with the other documents heretofore presented, he is willing to receive in substitute for the production of the books of the shippers, and as their own act (for he is not empowered to require it) an oath, declaring the origin of the Sugar according to form, which will be prepared at the Consulate; and also, a written declaration, which the form may likewise be seen there, and to the same effect from the clayers or parties of whom the Sugar may be bought.

The alternative will, in general cases, be left to the shipper; but H. M. Consul requires it to be clearly stated that this is not to be regarded as limiting his or his successor, in the exercise of their discretion, or any exceptions, or changes it may be deemed necessary to make; and for which explanation, and accountability are only due—and would be rendered only to H. M. Government.

During the late correspondence H. M. Consul could not, he conceives, have proposed this change without causing an impression that he was seeking to compromise the principle then at issue, and maintained by him, of the right of the certifying officer to claim evidence of origin from the party requiring him to certify it; and he has been desirous, also, that no intimidation would be supposed to influence him, in a course which should only be guided by a sense of duty.

Respecting the principle, the form of certificate lately received from, and authorized by H. M. Government, removes any apprehension, and as all that can be effected by correspondence, appeals, protests, and publicity, has now been exhausted, H. M. Consul proposes this arrangement with the satisfaction of being guided in it, as he has desired to be throughout the question, by an independent regard to the public duties, and a conscientious inclination towards those who are affected by them.

British Consulate,
Manila, 24th April 1846.

Manila, 24th April 1846.
GENTLEMEN,—In the recent correspondence between the British Merchants and Mr Farren, on the subject of Sugar Certificates. This Council in his letter of the 23rd ultimo, expressed his disapprobation of the production of Commercial Books, as well as aware of any complaint on the part of the Merchants and Clayers, he is the following statement.

"The Spanish Merchants have always evinced a desire to facilitate my wishes in this measure."
And in his Circular of 24th April, alluding to the Merchants' objections made to the production of their Books he states—
"During the period in which 22 Certificates were issued no such objections were submitted to him."
As these statements of Mr Farren, appear to us contrary to fact, and evidence, I, on the authority of my Brother Merchants, beg you will have the kindness to say, if the above statements, so far as the Spanish Merchants are concerned, are true or false; and further oblige me by cordially stating your opinion on the proceedings of the British Consul in demanding and making compulsory the production of your books at the Consulate when you require from him a Sugar Certificate.

I am, with much respect,
Gentlemen,
Yours obt. servt.,
ROB: DIGGLES.
(Signed)
Messrs. R. DE OTADUI & Co.
ROSENDO MORENO Y CONDE,
JUAN BAUTISTA MARCELA & Co.
JUAN BAUTISTA MARCELA,
JOSE MARIA TAUSON,
MARTIN DE VARANDA,
RAMON MARIA DE EGUARAS.
TRANSLATION.
Manila, 2nd May, 1846.

R. DIGGLES, Esq. We have received your communication of the 23rd ultimo, and in reply to its contents, as respects the production of Books at the English Consulate to obtain certificates of Sugar, we have to say that, Spanish Merchants have manifested much repugnance to exhibit them, but at length did so, to comply with the wishes of the parties who had purchased Sugar of them, or rather compelled by the exigency of the requisition as indispensable to enable them to obtain Certificates from the English Consulate when they have snatched that article for England.

In our opinion—which you desire to have—the production of the Books of Sugar Clayers, if it is thereby sought to prove that Sugar exported from Manila, has been grown in this country, is very feeble evidence, in comparison with what the necessity of the fact presents, that in the Philippine Islands it is never imported from foreign countries, which fact could be attested by Certificate from the Administrator of the Custom House.

It is therefore useless the production of the Books referred to in the present circumstances and it would even be more so did there exist a doubt as to the place where the Sugar is produced, or were there any inducement—which there is not to conceal it, because as the Sugar Clayers almost always avail themselves of Chinese Agents for their purchases, and Chinese also have charge of and keep the accounts of all the entries into and deliveries from their Drying Establishments it is not to be expected, that in such a case, those last would be very scrupulous in declaring the real origin of the Sugar.

The declaration of the Sugar Clayer, corroborated by public evidence, would certainly be of exact value, if not greater than the production of such Books—written generally in Chinese, which up to the present time have satisfied the scruples of the English Consul—and they would thereby be relieved of an act which cannot fail to be most repugnant, because it is in opposition to Spanish Commercial law and usage.

We are,
Dear Sir,
Your most Servant,
(Signed) E. DE OTADUI & Co.
&c., &c., &c.

COPY.
At a Meeting of the British Merchants held this day at Manila, to take into consideration their recent correspondence with J. W. P. FARREN, Esq. H. M. Consul, on the subject of Sugar Certificates, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

That this correspondence was commenced by them in a respectful and conciliatory spirit, with a view to induce Mr Farren to dispense with the rendered necessary by the circumstances of the Trade of this port; but more especially with the hope of prevailing on him to modify or entirely do away with his obnoxious requisitions in insisting on the production at the Consulate of the Merchants Books and also those of the Sugar Clayers, (over whom they have no control) both of which were made indispensable as "proofs" before granting certificate of origin.

That this correspondence filled in its object, having been met at all points by Mr Farren, with his promises, misstatements, prevarications, and personalities quite foreign to the subject, which obliged them in self respect to discontinue it. But they considered it due to themselves in vindication of their characters, to adopt this mode of reporting their opinions of the course he has followed in his correspondence, and the arrogant tone in which he has presumed to indulge.

That the compulsory production of Merchants Commercial Books is contrary to the Laws of England and Spain, and to mercantile usage generally as repugnant and insulting, and in the present case is especially so—and that the present case in their Books do not contain the slightest reference to, or indication of the growth or origin of Sugar—and that to call them or receive them as "proofs of origin"—is an absurdity. They are further compelled to declare, that the exaction of this and other such "proofs" induces the belief, that H. M. Consul, is not actuated by a sense of Public duty, but as he professes, but rather by a feeling of false pride, which alone, in their opinion, prevents him from dispensing with the production of Books, as soon as the absurdity was pointed out to him.

That on the first application by some of their number for Certificates, immediately on Mr Farren's arrival at Manila, they plainly told him, that exaction of such "proofs" was contrary to all mercantile usage and precedent, and was moreover, on other grounds very objectionable, but that as he was a

complete stranger to the country, and as a portion of the Sugar for which Certificates were then required, had been shipped previous to his arrival, they would set aside their scruples in order to facilitate the despatch of the produce to the port, &c., &c., or words to that effect. A few days subsequently, a Spanish Gentleman (a large exporter of Sugar) also concurred in this opinion, and expressed a desire, in the presence of others, his decided aversion, or objection to exhibit his Books; and on the same day, a Spanish Sugar Clayer, positively and absolutely refused to do so. Further on a later occasion, two Spanish Merchants (shippers of Sugar) inquired in the strongest terms, about the compulsory production of their Commercial Books, declaring in reflection on their characters, repugnance in the highest degree to their feelings, and discreditable to exact them, or words to that effect. Repeated indications to the same purpose could be adduced (besides the formal Protest of one of their body on the 17th of July, 1846) all of which have invariably been met by Mr Farren, assuring them, that "his instructions led him no opinion of the assertion therefore of Mr Farren in his letter of the 19th February, that "the Spanish Merchants have always evinced a desire to facilitate my wishes in this measure" and in his Circular of 24th April, that, "during the period in which 22 Certificates were issued no such objections" were submitted to him," are contrary to evidence, and have all the appearance of intentional misstatements.

That Mr Farren's mysterious allusions to "the influences of change and development," "the excess of production in Zebu," "in this Island, and other ports," and the conclusion at which he arrives, that "Foreign and slave grown Sugar from the adjacent region may enter into the Exports to England," tend, in their opinion, seriously to mislead H. M. Government, for whom alone they appear interested, and coming from a source so entirely unauthoritative, induce the belief, that Sugar the produce of slave labor is an article of Commerce in these regions.

From these most erroneous conclusions they feel themselves called upon to express their decided dissent founded on unquestionable data. And in order that their opinions may stand on record and unequivocally expressed as regards slave grown Sugar, they declare that, during a residence of many years on the Philippine Islands, Singapore, and Luzon, they have never known, seen, or heard of slave grown Sugar to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, excepting the French Island of Bourbon, and they without hesitation affirm that it does not exist. And they challenge Mr Farren, to prove the statements to the contrary which he has made both direct and by implication, and which he appears for his own purposes so solicitous to maintain.

That the alternative offered by Mr Farren, in his Circular of 24th April, to receive the Merchants' oath declaring the origin of the Sugar, in substitute for the production of their Books, is contrary to statute 5 and 6 W. M. IV. Cap. 69, September, 1835, abolishing "all oaths relating to the Customs or Excise, H. M. Treasury, any of the Offices of H. M. Principal Secretaries of State, or for the purpose of verifying any Book, Entry, or Return, &c., &c.," and substituting in lieu thereof a Copy of an annexed and signed declaration, which is a Copy of an annexed and signed declaration, and they further declare, "That it will be lawful for any officer or any person to administer any oath, solemn affirmation, or affidavit, in the lieu of which such declaration shall have been directed," &c., &c.

That they consider it presumptuous in H. M. Consul, to offer as "a measure of conciliation," an alternative in contravention of the Law of Great Britain and his proposal that a British Merchant should tender "an oath," while he professes his readiness to certify his belief in the simple declaration of a Chinese Sugar Clayer, is insulting to his Countrymen, quite in keeping with his previous conduct, but altogether at variance with his professed "conciliatory inclinations" towards them.

That they deprecate the unauthorized introduction of the names of several highly respectable Spaniards, in his correspondence, and they protest against the calumnious insinuations contained in his letter of the 15th March, and confirmed in his letter of the 17th, respecting a Gentleman high in the confidence of this Government, and for whom they all entertain the greatest respect and regard. The stain of this proceeding must ever stick to Mr Farren. They feel themselves also called on to correct the statements contained in his letter of 15th March, on the subject of Chinese Kitchen account, which by mistake was taken to the Consulate in place of the genuine Sugar Book, and was examined by Mr Farren, and received by him as satisfactory evidence of the origin of Sugar.

That occurrence took place with a Spanish House, and was not even known to any British Merchant till after this correspondence began. The Spanish Gentleman (Mr Varanda) specially named by Mr Farren, as an honorable exception to the general rule, "on these occasions the Spanish Books of the Establishments," is the identical person with whose Chinese overseer, Mr Farren performed this absurd farce. And Mr Varanda authorizes them publicly to state, that he related the whole circumstance to the British Consul, on the Sunday evening previous to the 15th March, the date of his letter!!!

That they are not at all excused for the mean and ungenerous insinuations which Mr Farren has indulged in reference to a part of one of their letters, wherein they endeavored to prove to him how idle were his vexatious requisitions. That the remarks on "Branches of Faith fraudulent substitution of Commercial Books," "deliberately sustained falsehoods," "collusion," &c., &c., are useful perversions of their meaning, and most reprehensible in a person of an official character placed here to aid and assist his countrymen. That they have been insulted in the grossest manner by H. M. Consul, under the shield of his official character, and they do hereby repel with the most unequivocal contempt, the slanderous aspersions which he founds on a deliberate perversion of the letter and the spirit of their correspondence.

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

LA LESTER LALES.

Country	Day	Month	Year
England	April 24	June	28
United States	April 1	June	9
Calcutta	May 20	June	7
Bombay	May 10	June	2
Madras	May 9	June	5
Sydney	April 21	June	5

THE FRIEND OF CHINA AND HONGKONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21st, 1846

Major Aldrich, the Royal Engineer at this place we hear has been ordered home by the Board of Ordnance. It is supposed from some reason, to be kept a profound secret. From all that we can understand, it would have been a benefit to the service at large, with which he is connected had his recall taken place a year ago.

SHANGHAI.
By the Zephyr we have letters to the 5th Instant, but they do not advise any improvement in the market.

The retail opium dealers had a riot with some disreputable Fokien men, and it is said that four or five lives were lost, and many of the combatants severely wounded. It appears that the Fokien men attacked the premises of the opium dealers expecting a good deal of plunder, and from the trade being nominally illegal they expected that they would escape without punishment. The opium dealers made a stout resistance, and as the Mandarins have taken the matter in hand some examples will probably be made. It is also said that the Mandarins have taken measures to prevent opium being carried to Soochow, but this few people will believe.

NEW SOUTH WALES.
The Consignee puts us in possession of a few Sydney papers; the latest dated the 21st of April. The unexpected return of Dr Leichardt and party from their hazardous journey across the continent (after their friends had long looked upon them as dead) had given much gratification to the colonists. A meeting had been held at Sydney, which was most respectfully attended, to determine upon measures for providing a suitable testimonial to Dr Leichardt. A committee was formed, including the Chairman, Sir Evan Mackenzie Barr, to carry out the object of the meeting, and a thousand pounds had been raised in a short time, with which it is proposed to confer upon the enterprising German some substantial proof of the gratitude of the people of New South Wales for the service he has conferred upon the colony, in discovering a country to the northward, which was not known to exist, and which promises to be of great value.

The papers we have received are bare of commercial intelligence. New Zealand is not even named, from which it may be presumed that all was quiet in that quarter.

The Hindava arrived from London on the 18th of April, and the St. Vincent on the 20th, the Giraffe from Canton, and Governor from Manila arrived the same day. The Templer sailed for London on the 20th, the Persian for London, Mission for London and Sarat for Hongkong cleared the same day. The Porpoise, General Harris, Poohunui, St. George, Teard, and Sulana were all loading for England. The Antipater was taking board on board for Calcutta.

Particulars of the capture of the schooner "Privateer" by a frigate will be found in the third page. The loss of the ship has been great, and the capture of the schooner, which was on board, and is now no doubt that two of them were in league with the pirates and the third a female, probably was forced. Two of the crew arrived in Sydney yesterday. They state that after being forced on board they found their way into the stern boat, and with four others, one of them man, they were taken on board the frigate, and were taken to the hospital. The crew were all taken aboard, and the schooner was burnt about 10 o'clock, and the crew were taken to the hospital. The schooner was burnt by swimming, and the crew were taken to the hospital. They reached here near the Cape opposite Macao.

That Mr Parren's remarks on his "depression of health," his "social relations," and "position in Manila," his "fancied" influence and conciliatory efforts with the Captain General and some of the chief authorities...

These resolutions be transmitted through the medium of His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong to H. M. Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, accompanied by the correspondence and other documents which occasioned their adoption.

MANILA, 30th April, 1846. [Signed] DIGGLES, RAWSON & Co. BUTLER SYKES & Co. W. PATERSON & Co. CHARLES B. FINDLAY. M. A. MACLEOD. MARTIN DYCE & Co. KE. B. MCKIMING & Co. HOLLAY WISE & Co. CHARLES MOORHOUSE.

ARRIVALS. JUNE. 19, Kelpie Syms, Calcutta. 20, Constant, Hemery, Sydney. 21, H. C. St. Pluto, Lieut. Airy, Foo-chow-foo. 22, Gallatin, (Danish Frigate) Capt. Steen Bille, Manila. 22, Zephyr, Mann, East Coast. SAILED.

REPORTS. Charles Grant, R. Ison, Chusan. John Bull, Crawford, Chusan. Bengalors, Aton, Whampoa. N. Zaxiso, (Sp.) Foston, Manila.

VESSELS IN VICTORIA HARBOUR. W. M. S. Vestal, Captain Talbot. H. B. W. Walderin, Commander Clifford. H. C. St. Yulore, Captain Macdonald. H. C. St. Pluto, Lieut. Airy. H. M. Tr. S. Aligator, Master Commanding King. H. M. S. Minden, 2nd Master in charge Omer, Hospital and Store Ship. Galetha (D. nish Frigate) Capt. Steen Bille. Anne Jane, Rowe, Turner and Co. Aquia Marina, Conolly, Holliday, Wise and Co. Dingalora, Aiton, Lindsay and Co. Bonnyie Harmerize, Coates, J. Matheson and Co. Constant, Hemery, J. Matheson and Co. Charles Grant, Robson, D. & M. Rustonjoe and Co. Concala, Tilson, Holliday Wise and Co. John Hall, Crawford, Blenkin, Lawson and Co. John Barry, Howard, Dent and Co. Kelpie, Syms, Macvicar and Co. Lady M. Wood, Evans, J. A. Olding. Larkirk, White, J. Matheson and Co. Lord Haugerford, Pigott, Dent and Co. Lord Haugerford, Pigott, Dent and Co. Maczapa, Macfarlane, Younghusband and Co. Mischief, White, J. Matheson and Co. N. Zaxiso, Foston, Gilman and Co. Rapwell, Macvicar and Co. St. (Sp.) Martinez, Order. Wm. Provas, Thompson, Holliday Wise and Co. Zephyr, Mann, Dent and Co.

SHIPPING AT WHAMPOA. Anglona, Lane, Macvicar and Co. Anderson, Evans, Macvicar and Co. Augusta Jessie, Harvey, Fischer, Willis and Co. Alfred, Adair, Compson and Co. Anna Eliza, Granger, N. B. Packard. Charlotte, Liebschwaner, J. Matheson and Co. Charles Farber, Wells, R. H. Canejee and Co. Chebar, Harrison, Lindsay and Co. Devi, Farley, Hansen. Drie Marius Verbee, Reynnsan and Co. Dragon, Macdonald, D. & M. Rustonjoe and Co. Emma, Bibby, Turner and Co. For William, Methvia, J. Matheson and Co. Francis, Fyfe, Equat and Co. Governor Doherty, Wilson, P. F. Carna and Co. Hugh Walker, Cameron, Nye, Parkin and Co. Isidorochar, Rea, Turner and Co. Julia, Jones, Hodgee. Jones Corin, D. & M. Rustonjoe and Co. Lencester, Conway, Gilman and Co. Mary Sparks, Bushby, Dirom, Gray and Co. Mczapa, Hickman, Dirom G. G. Lungruna. M'ward, Eyle, Order. Prima Donna, Jones, Order. Paul Jones, Batho, J. Matheson and Co. Ramillies, Murdoch, Order. Sultany, Mook, D. & M. Rustonjoe and Co. Wm. Gillies, Clark, Order. Wild Irish Girl, Buxton, Captain.

VESSELS AT MACAO. Amica (Fr.), J. A. Durran, Jr. Falcon, Bellamy, J. Matheson and Co. Harrier, C. Saporjee Longrah. J. F. de Paris, D. & M. Rustonjoe and Co. Isabelle, Robertson, Kelly, F. J. de Paris. Lucie Family, Ager, D. & M. Rustonjoe and Co. Lady Hayes, Langley, J. Matheson and Co. Lya, J. A. Durran. Snipe, Baylis, A. Heard and Co. Vela (Sp), Bordenave, J. Salado. Viza, Milne, J. Matheson and Co.

AMERICAN AT WHAMPOA AND MACAO. Neo Lutin, Chase, Russell and Co.

DEED. At Manila on the 7th June after a few hours illness WILLIAM ARBUTHNOT WILLIAMS Esquire, Deceased. Native of Plymouth.

VIVAT REGINA. AMATEUR THEATRE. (SITUATED AT AQUIS BUILDING. LOWER BAZAR VICTORIA HONGKONG.) FIFTH PERFORMANCE. (Being the last in the present building.) Under the Patronage of His Excellency the Governor. ON SATURDAY EVENING, 27th June 1846, will be performed the humorous Farce in two Acts entitled THE RIVAL VALETS.

CHARACTERS. Captain Withard, Old Perkins, Frank (1st Valet), Antony (2nd Valet), Sawyer, Clerk, Servant, Sophia Fielding, Dorothy Styles. To conclude with the laughable Farce in two Acts entitled "WILLIAM THOMPSON, OR WHICH IS HE?" CHARACTERS. William Thompson the First, William Thompson the Second, Doctor Southem, Sheriff, Bowchman, Benoit, Julia Southem, Julia Dormer, Mary.

The Band of the 42nd Regt. N. I. will be in attendance, the officers of that Regiment having with their usual politeness kindly volunteered their services. Tickets may be had of Mr C. W. Bawa, Messrs Smith & Brinelow, Mr F. Funck, and Mr Alex Dixon. Doors open at 7 past seven P. M., performance to commence at eight precisely. V. B. - Should the weather prove unfavorable the performance will be postponed until the first fine evening, of which due notice will be given.

FOR MANILA. THE ZAFIRO, 650 Tons, daily expected from Nacoo will meet quick despatch. For freight apply to, GILMAN & Co. Victoria, 20th June 1846.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS FOR ENGLAND. THE Fine 500 ton Ship AUGUSTA JESSIE, Captain JOHN HARVEY, will leave this for London on or about the 20th proximo; has splendid airy Poop accommodations for Passengers, plans of which can be seen at the office. For passage only apply to, W. H. FRANKLYN, Agent. Victoria, 23rd June 1846.

TWO spacious and handsome Rooms well suited for Offices, or as a private residence. One or two godowns can be had if wanted. W. H. FRANKLYN, Commission Agent.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG. In the matter of J. Victoria in the Island of Hongkong, Book-keeper. NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT DUNDAS N. C. Registrar of the Supreme Court has been appointed Provisional Assignee of the Estate and effects of the above named Insolvent. Dated the 22nd day of June 1846. By the Court, ROBERT DUNDAS CAY, Registrar.

NOTICE. THE partnership business heretofore existing under the Firm of THOMAS RIPLEY & Co. carried on at Hongkong has by mutual consent terminated at that place, the Firm and business of the House being transferred (being the same Establishment) to Shanghai.

THOS. RIPLEY, Liverpool, 23rd February 1846. CHAS. SHAW, Shanghai, 4th June 1846.

FOR SALE. JUST received at Bangalore from the House of Grosse & Blackwell the following, all of best quality, viz:—Tart Fruit, Imperial and West India pickles, White Wine Vinegar, Mustard, Sauces, Salad Oil, Olives, Capers, Jams and Jellies, Anchovy, Bloaters, Salmon and Ham Pastes, Butter in jars of 11 lbs. Salmon in tins, Wildfistie Bacon, Cheshire and Pine Cheese, Fish Bloaters and superior York Hams, packed in tin. LANE, ROWLAND & Co. Victoria, 23rd June 1846.

ON SALE by the undersigned at his Auction and Commission Sale Rooms (opposite Chinaman's Hong) Queen's Road. Claret, Sherry, Port, Champagne, Hook, Tokay &c. Ale and Porter of a light quality, Sparkling Champagne (Lyder, English Gin in 3 doz. cases &c. &c. to be purchased at very moderate prices. Just landed a small assortment of fresh Provisions preserved in tins, Ship's Stores of every description, superior Slops, a variety of Cutlery and hardware &c. &c. EDWARD N. BURGESS, Commission Agent and Auctioneer. Victoria, 24th June 1846.

WANTED a young man to fill the above named situation, he must be able to write a legible hand, and have some knowledge of Book-keeping. Good references are required to be furnished, and a general character; for further particulars apply by letter post paid to, McMURRAY & Co. Victoria, 23d June, 1846.

PRESERVED MEATS & SOUPS. FOR SALE, a superior Assortment of these Stores, at McMURRAY & Co's Victoria, 23rd June, 1846.

NOTICE. It is hereby requested that all Persons who may have any outstanding claims against WILLIAM DAWK, late Mesman to the Gunroom Officers of H. M. Ship Agincourt, will forward the same without delay, addressed to the Gunroom Mess Committee of H. M. Ship Agincourt, H. M. Ship Agincourt, Penang, 3rd June, 1846.

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EMERY, FRASER & Co. inform the Community of Hongkong, that they have a horse shoe and farrier lately arrived, and though their establishment is rather distant from the centre of the town, Gentlemen may rely on having their horses faithfully and expeditiously shod.

Opposite the Catholic Burying Ground, June 23rd, 1846.

COMPRADORE WANTED. Apply at this Office. "Gazette Office," 16th June, 1846.

LATELY published and on sale at Watson & Stocquer's, Chemists, the following works:—The married Woman's adviser and Young Mother's Guide; Price \$1.50. A Familiar Treatise on Diseases of the eye, Price 50 cents.—By W. P. Welch M. D. formerly Surgeon to the Somerset County Hospital. Dr Welch may be professionally consulted at Welch & Stocquer's, Queen's Road, 19th June 1846.

TO OFFICERS OF THE NAVY. GOLD Bands and Naval Buttons for sale by the undersigned. Also stores of every description. MACKAY & Co.

FOR SALE. Ladies Fancy goods, Ladies Bonnets of all colours, Ladies and Gentleman's Kid and Silk Gloves; Ladies black and white Lace Caps, and Baskets. Silk and satin Ribbons of all colours; Muslin Dresses of different patterns; Cotton dresses of five Colours; Braided and tuckered jacobets and Book Muslin Robes; Embroidered ditto; Transparent ditto; Ladies black and white silk Stockings; Jaccotet and Book Muslin insertion and Edging; silk Umbrellas and Parasols; Artificial Flowers; black and white Nett; Ladies Slays; Ladies shoes and other articles (so numerous to mention). L. E. CHRISTOPHER. Victoria, 20th June, 1846.

NOTICE. THE sale of Fancy Articles advertised to take place on the 15th and 16th inst., at the London Missionary Society's Premises, will be continued for a few days longer, owing to the unfavourable state of the weather.

BRITISH HOTEL, KEYING HOUSE, Queen's Road, Victoria. MICHAEL GABRIEL has the honour to announce to his friends and the public, that he has taken those 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. Billiard, can be engaged in airy and spacious rooms, with a water frontage, at the following rates, Day Games 4 Rupee. Night do 3 do.

CHARLES BUCKTON; BEGS 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:—Cannons, Twine, Cordage, Blocks, Bunting, Ducks, Canvas, Point Oil, Turpentine, Tar, Flax, Varnish, Ship and Cabin bread, Flour, Provisions, Sperm Candles, Manila Cheroots, 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. Supplies forwarded and exchanged. Hongkong, 15th May 1846.

NOTICE. MR. THOMAS BURGESS is authorized to sign for me by procuration a Deed of Exchange. CHARLES BUCKTON. 3d April 1846.

FOR SALE. Ex. Victoria Guard. FRENCH Plums in tin, in first order. Ex. Hebrides. An Invoice of Pinnus Corium (or Leather Cloth) Boots and Shoes, strongly recommended to persons with tender feet. Ex. Monarch. Allsop's Beer in bottle. CHARLES BUCKTON, Queen's Road and Whampoa Reach. 1st May 1846.

FOR SALE. A SUPERIOR selection of goods from Messrs Devonport & Co. daily expected per "Mirza," 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, coffee and Cups, Eight and twelve high Chandeliers, with richly cut opal glasses, and strings to match, 8, 10 & 12 inch Vase Lamps, with shades &c. Quilt and Pint Decanters; water bottles, Tumblers; Wine, Claret, Champagne and Liqueur Glasses. Taper Green Hocks; Bases, Tube and Stands; Salts; Cruet stands; night Lamps &c. &c. CHARLES BUCKTON, Queen's Road and Whampoa Reach. Victoria, 1st May, 1846.

NOTICE. Ex "LADY MARY WOOD." A small Invoice of Indian Gauze Under-shirts and Drawers, manufactured expressly for this climate, by the old established house of J. & B. Mosley of Nottingham. For sale by, F. FUNCK. Victoria, 19th June 1846.

JUST RECEIVED per Bangalore a consignment of superior Irish Linens, from the house of S. K. Mulholland & Co. of Belfast.

A few dozen of beautiful Damask Table Napkins. AND A small assortment of Ladies Figured Silk dresses of various colors, and elegant patterns. F. FUNCK. Victoria, 19th June 1846.

LONDON made black Hats of a superior quality. For sale by, F. FUNCK. Victoria, 19th June 1846.

MR FUNCK has this day opened a Show-room in addition to his shop, and has on view a quantity of English made furniture consisting of Sideboards, Plans and Figured Stone Hair Couches, Chiffoniers, Reclining Chairs with Morocco backs and seats, Card Tables, And a few pairs of mirrors in elegant gilt frames. Victoria, 25th May 1846.

MRS COOMBS beg to inform the Ladies of Hongkong that she has taken the premises adjoining the Hongkong Register Office, which has this day been opened as a Millinery and Dress-Making establishment; and ventures to solicit a portion of patronage, which it will be her endeavor, by punctuality and attention to deserve. Queen's Road, 25th May 1846.

MRS. COMBS has for Sale at her millinery and dress-making establishment, adjoining the Hongkong Register office:—Braided and Tucked Jaccotet and Book Muslin Robes. Embroidered Turtlenecks do. Transparent do. Children Worked Frocks. Jaccotet and Book Muslin Insertion and Edging. French Flowers, Wreaths, Bonnets, and Bonnet Caps. Dress and half Dress Caps, Ribbons. Lace Collars, Berries and Mantles. Wide cast, Lace edging, &c. &c. Victoria, 23rd June 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.

SODA WATER AND FERRATED LEMONADE. TO be obtained at the manufactory of the undersigned. SMITH & BRIMELOW. No 1 and 3 Woollam's Buildings, corner of Pottinger Street.

JUST Landed ex "Alfred" and for sale at the Godowns of the undersigned, a small Invoice of J. & W. Bridges London, Pale Ale in cases of 4 dozen each. A fine assortment of Oilman's stores, ex "Alfred." SMITH & BRIMELOW. 2nd June 1846. Woollam's Buildings.

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

NOTICE. WE the undersigned have formed a Partnership for the transaction of a General A. & C. Store and Commission business at Victoria. A notice and Copy of our articles of Partnership are now, under the Firm of BRIDGE & CO. at the Stores of, W. BRIDGE & CO. Victoria, March 2nd 1846.

JUST RECEIVED AND FOR SALE.—2 of Furnaces, Pulten Pump, suitable for raising water into any part of a House, and equally useful in case of Fire; also a quantity of Lead Pipes and Flanges for connecting the same. Apply to DRINKER & HEYL, Victoria, 25th May, 1846.

JUST received and for sale, a few cases of superior Pale Ale (Brewed by DRINKER & HEYL, Victoria, May 1st, 1846.

NOTICE.

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

PALE INDIA ALE.

A small Batch of the above just landed and for sale at McMURRAY & Co's, Victoria, 25th May, 1846.

FOR SALE.

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

FOR SALE.

An Improved Letter Copying machine and stationary Stand (by Hoysdon & Brown, London) complete, with Ink, Boats, Flyscap, Post and Folio Copying Paper &c. &c. Apply to Ma C. MARKWICK, Pottinger Street, Victoria, 10th June, 1846.

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

LINGUISTIC RESOURCES and NAVY BILLS for sale at this Office. Office Friend of China, 28th Dec, 1844.

BILLS OF LADING FOR THE OVERLAND TOR 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. Blank post. Office "Friend of China," 25th October, 1845.

FOR SALE.—At the office of this paper, Comproducers 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, Terms of Imports, and exports, for counting houses.

NOTICE.

By a statement made in our last number, there appeared an increase of the Revenue in some branches, and a deficiency in others; the aggregate of the former, however, exceeding those of the latter by the sum of £3,115, or about 57 per cent. on the gross Revenue. The gross increase was £29,760, or about 17 per cent. The gross decrease was £26,645, or about 11 1/2 per cent.

The increase on Tobacco being about 10 per cent.; we conclude, that less smuggling has taken place in the last quarter than in the corresponding quarter of 1845, because the use of Colonial tobacco has certainly been increasing every month the last two years.

The increase on foreign goods being about 78 per cent. shows both the increased demand for goods, and the increased confidence in the Colony by British shippers.

The fees on the entry and clearance of vessels, wharves, light house dues, and quay rent, being about 75 per cent. proves the same thing, and also, that our country trade has not diminished.

The duties on Colonial Spirits having decreased about 40 per cent., shows, that less spirits have been distilled by this amount. And if illicit stills have been fewer than last year, by so much more is the decrease, as to proportion, augmented. Either way, and any how, the result is a public benefit, as regards the morals and well-being of the lower orders.

The Post-office collections having decreased about 6 per cent., shows, that less correspondence between the distant parts of the Colony with foreign ports, and with each other, has taken place the last quarter, than in the same quarter last year, by its proportion. But we hold it no proof of a falling off of either in agriculture or commerce, but of a peculiarly only.

The increase on Auction dues (some 9 per cent.) shows more business done in this line the last quarter. We think the increase has been chiefly on right auctions, which are in a high state.

Folls and Ferries having increased 32 per cent., shows, that notwithstanding the dreadfull state of our roads, the amount of transportation by land, has increased at this rate; but that the broken drays and limbs of the horses, bullocks, drivers, and passengers, must have increased in a much greater proportion, owing to the increased deterioration of the roads.

The attachment on Live Stock having decreased 75 per cent., proves either that our sheep and cattle, &c. have not increased, or that the Government have made it more in arrears, which latter we have no means of ascertaining, but the former we have no doubt of, under circumstances our commander-in-chief has no doubt of.

The increase on Shipping having increased 10 per cent., shows, that our shipping has increased in this line, and that our foreign goods, and all alike, indicate a general prosperity.

The increase on the fees of the Surveyors, about 10 per cent., shows, that the work done by them has been increased, by a much greater amount.

are informed, that the barristers and attorneys, have had their spoils reduced by this amount.

The fees of the Court of Petty Sessions have increased some 17 per cent. As we understand, that this is owing to the increase of crime, or from higher fees?

The fees of Commissioners of Crown Lands have decreased some 64 per cent. As they collected as much as they did last year, we cannot understand this.

The sales of Crown Lands are higher by only the small sum of £74, than they were last year. The great proof of the impolicy of the ruinous 29c Act.

The Quit-rents have increased 15 per cent; at which we are rather surprised.

The licenses to depature Live Stock on Waste Crown Lands have doubled; a proof either of the vast extension of our sheep and cattle runs, or of arrears being better paid up; either of them good signs.

The worthy and indefatigable agent for the Church and School Lands has exerted himself this quarter. His collections exceed those of last year by £520, or about 90 per cent.

The fines levied by the Sheriff and by the Courts of Petty Sessions have decreased 224 per cent. May we understand from this, that the people have become less lawless, than they were last year? Or, have the Sheriff and our Magistrates been more lenient to delinquents of this class?

The Seizers of Illicit Still have received £189, or 34 per cent, less than last year. We expected the decrease would have been more. The smallness of the decrease shows, that the illicit Distillers are still gone.

THE SYDNEY BARRACKS.

The following article, in that most respectable journal "The United Service Gazette," appeared on Monday in the "Sydney Herald."

IMMORALITIES IN BARRACKS.

[From the United Service Gazette, November.]

In our Gazette of the 18th ult., appeared a letter signed "A Militia Stationer," in which the writer complained, in terms of great interest, of what he alleges to be the gross immorality daily and hourly committed in our Barracks. Our own impression is, that no greater degree of immorality is daily attributable to the several Officers of the British Army, generally, than to an equal number of any other buoyant class of young men. We are aware that a different opinion prevails amongst civilians, but we think that our own officers are less to be blamed, than they are usually represented to be, as well as their dress, publicly exposing their persons and movements of almost every kind—disadvantage under which the members of the other professions do not labour. With respect to women of notoriously bad character living in Barracks, we hope that so respectable a journal as yours ought to be both in mind, and in allowance, in our own opinion rests more with the Commanding Officer than with any other individual. An idea is prevalent amongst young officers, that their Barracks are the best places in which to be, but they should keep that castle in proper order, and need not be a nuisance to the surrounding neighbourhood. It is distinctly laid down in the regulations for the Service, that a Commanding Officer is to avail himself of every opportunity to repress all kinds of immorality. He neglects to do so, he is as liable to be reported to the higher authorities as the soldier who is guilty of any offence. We feel assured that any well-established ground of complaint would meet with prompt attention and eventual success, if being a principle of our Military Government, not only to be observed by the officers, but which is to be practised in the soldier; and to admit of complaint which is in accordance with the customs and mode of well-regulated society.

In the statement in this article which refers, that it is the duty of every Commanding Officer to repress all kinds of immorality, true? Colonel ***** it should appear does not think so. The question, however is one of consequence, and so we repeat it, is the said duty laid down in the Regulations for the Service, or is it not? If it be not, still we insist that it is the duty of the Commanding Officer, for the sake of the married officers, to allow no cohabitations, or other loose women to be in the Barracks. If it be not in the Regulations to be in a Commanding Officer preserve morality, it is in the rules of common sense of common humanity, and of English decency, that no officer shall not be allowed to invite another in their common lodgings, those lodgings being the Barracks, and not the private property of the said commanding officers.

We have been asked, whether, when we penned the article in our last number, intitled "Military Seduction," we were aware of Colonel Despard being the present Commandant of the Sydney Military Barracks? It may seem odd to military men that we should so reply: We did not, but such is the fact. The article, except in the name, and generally subjects of interest with editors. When an active service, nothing interests an editor more than the military; in garison, nothing less. Besides, our readers will recollect, that our observations were to condemn an incident in which Lieutenant Colonel ***** appeared, to our unilitary habits and information, as the Commandant; whereas it appears he was only the Colonel of the regiment; the officer whose conduct had caused complaint. We have great pleasure in saying, that Colonel Despard was not only not the officer we had in our eye, but that from what we know of the Colonel's as a family man, and as a very moral family man, and from what we remember of him when here before with the gallant 17th, (a regiment whose officers generally were for themselves very popular in Sydney by their pleasant manners to the people), we feel confident he would not allow the same practices in the Sydney Barracks, which Lieutenant Colonel W. F. and B. allowed while they had the Barracks, under their command. We know that when the 17th were here, an officer did attempt to keep a concubine in the Barracks; but Colonel Despard was firm, and the female had to change her lodgings. The officer had been in this case, and generally the friends of the female. It was the soldier, and in itself, that caused Colonel Despard, for the honor of his own character, and the comfort of married officers, to interfere.

We have great pleasure in saying, that Lieutenant Colonel ***** alleges, he did not give the answer that is attributed to him, as the rule of conduct by which, on principle, he governed the Barracks, and regulated the comfort of the married officers as a single officer; but that it was a reason why he should not, being that night, pressed into service to save the female to be given up to her parents. We are not to enquire how far this duty may be either right or proper in Colonel *****; the explanation, however, shows a result of great importance to his own character, as the result of a

regiment, and as to public property, namely, that the world in reasonable time, grant redress; and that in doing, he would not tolerate, an principle, the residence of concubines, or visits of other women of loose character into the Barracks, where married officers were accommodated.

RETURN OF DR. LEICHRDT.

We have the highest satisfaction in announcing to our readers that Dr. Leichardt has returned to Sydney, after his expedition to Port Essington, having successfully achieved the object he had in view. For the particulars of the expedition we must refer our readers to the abstract to the Doctor's modestly written journal, which shows that the difficulties to be overcome were neither few nor light, but with an energy and courage, rarely to be met with the high honour of being the first man all, and last the high honour of being the first man all, who crossed from the eastern to the western side of Australia. It will require a more careful perusal of the interesting journey than we have been enabled to give it in the short time it has been in our possession to enable us to enumerate all the advantages likely to accrue to the colony, from the information which has been obtained, but there can be no doubt that the knowledge that there is a large quantity of good land between the Gulf of Carpentaria and the east coast will be the cause of the early formation of a settlement to the northward of Halifax Bay.

Dr. Leichardt has done that which must cause his name to be enrolled among the benefactors of Australia, and we are sure that the colonists will not be backward in showing that they appreciate the value of his services. He ought to be rewarded both privately and publicly. The Legislative Council ought to make him a present of £500, and divide a similar sum among the parties who accompanied him. The colonists ought also to subscribe at least £500, so that Dr. Leichardt may be presented with £1000. Eighteen dreary months have Dr. Leichardt and his party been engaged in the task which they have performed, so that very moderate salaries for that period will reach the amount we have named.

Mr Gilchrist, who fell a victim to the treachery of the blacks, was well known to a great number of the colonists, having been for several years employed in collecting specimens of natural history for Mr Gould.

We hope to be enabled to announce to-morrow that a large sum has been subscribed for Dr. Leichardt, by Mr. Herald.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHANGHAI MARKET, 28th MAY 1846.

The northern market (which depressed with very heavy rains in first half, and since then, has been kept low and silk and pressed which offers the shipper no encouragement. Until the new teas are brought forward a reaction is not looked for. The stock of shirting in the market is estimated at half a million of pieces. We have not received any quotations of Cotton or Woollen goods the prices at present being merely nominal. Prices at Whooing, which are reported to be the last quotations are Pains \$810 to \$815, with a little more for the old drug; Malva \$730; Benares \$760.

SILK.—The market extremely dull. Quotations. Do. cargo to good \$340 to 370 Do. inferior \$290 to 300 Do. best \$340 to 360 Do. cargo to good \$300 to 300 Do. inferior \$200 to 210 Do. best \$250 Do. cargo to good \$250 to 270 Do. inferior \$200 to 200.

The unbleached stock is about 1,500 bales of all sorts; and 1,400 bales has been purchased and about being shipped to the West. Williams' checkered muslins last month at 3s 6d, which has been got off through at a heavy expense for salvage. Her Captain and crew's crew have not been paid, and have been detained in Old England, were loading, and would sail for Liverpool early in June. The other ships in port were the "New Margate" and "William Adams." The "New Margate" ships 3,000 chests of tea to Singapore.

CANTON MARKET, 22nd JUNE 1846.

IMPORTS.—The transactions of the month have been quiet, except, hurried by the heavy floods in the Canton district. Actual sales have been made at the following prices:—

Bombay—common—To 5.7 up to 7.2 for the best quality. Bengal—firm description—To 8.4 to 8.6. Three-twelfths of last season's import—To 7.2 to 7.4.

PORTUGAL YARN.—Last arrivals have been forced upon the market at low prices, and of consequence rates are much lower than those of last month. The imports by the "Arcton" were sold at greatly reduced prices, and for a time have caused a difficulty in giving a quotation for Yarns. Lower Goods.—In the early part of the month sales were effected to some extent at: Grey—5d to 6d—\$8.30 to 8.50. Do. 7d—\$8.50 to 8.75.

White Goods of the better class ruled about ten cents higher. Late arrivals have altered the tone of the market; and these prices could not be obtained were goods forced upon the market.

LOWE DUES.—For this class of Woollens the market has been active—good assortment commanding \$5, 45 to 50. Season's Stripes are in demand—Quota negotiated. No. mill's quotations \$1, 25 for the first and \$1, 50 for the latter.

CANTON.—No market at present. Quotations. English \$12 to 13. Mysore—Bar and 1/4d Iron has been sold at \$2, 70. The purchaser taking a share of cash. Lead is quoted at \$2, 50. Cast-iron is in demand, and is being ordered in large quantities. Bengal Druggs, recent arrivals having a moderate sale in the market. We hear of no sales, though the common quotation for Rais is \$6.25.

EXPORTS.—Tails.—Very few lots of the last season's crop are now in the market, and the quotations are unaltered since last month. Manners of the new crop of ongus have arrived. The quality is thought inferior to the Congress of the former season, and the price is accordingly lower. The new crop of ongus, while the general impression appears to be that they will ultimately exceed those of 1845-4. It is probable that better will be produced, as the season is far advanced. Plain Orange Peaches have also arrived in quantity. They are similar in quality to those of the past year, but the prices asked are as should be those demanded for the same quality of fruit. Very low rates are reported, as there is no enquiry for the fruit.

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