

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATION.

Instructions having reference to the transmission of BOOKS, &c., through the Post-Office, are published for general information.

The provisions of a Treasury Warrant of the 12th January 1856, Printed Books, Reviews, Pamphlets, and any description of matter, whether Printed, Manuscript, or Plain, is permitted to be forwarded between the United Kingdom and Hongkong, under the regulation of the Colonial Book Post, will, on and from the 1st April instant, be transmitted by the post between Hongkong and any British Colony in the West Indies (Barbadoes, Trinidad, and Turk's Head excepted), as well as between Hongkong and the British Possessions of Bermuda, Malta, and Gibraltar, at the following reduced rates of postage:

For each packet not exceeding 1lb in weight:
 Between Hongkong and Malta or Gibraltar, via Egypt } 0s. 8d.
 Hongkong and the British West Indies, and Bermuda (via the United Kingdom and Egypt.) } 1s. 2d.

On increasing according to the usual scale of postage, a fraction over a pound being charged as a pound.

The Postage must in all cases be paid in advance; all Packets posted unpaid, or with a prepayment less than the single rate, must be detained and sent to the Dead Letter Office; but Book Packets, which, by inadvertence, may be posted without the amount of Postage being paid, will be chargeable with the deficiency in addition to another single rate of postage.

Any Letter, whether closed or open, and any enclosure sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, found in a Book Packet, will be taken out and forwarded, charged not only with the Postage due upon it as an unpaid letter, but also with an additional rate of Postage equal to the single rate chargeable on a Book Packet.

Any Packet posted at Hongkong with respect to which the required conditions shall not have been observed,—that is to say, if exceeding the limited dimensions of Two feet in length, breadth, or width; or in a Cover not open at the ends or sides; or containing any Letter or communication in the nature of a Letter, written or printed on the cover; will be charged as a Letter, and treated as such in all respects.

WM. CHAPMAN,
Acting Post-Master.

Post-office, Hongkong,
2d April, 1856.

NOTIFICATION.

THE Honourable the SUPREME COURT of NEW SOUTH WALES has been pleased to grant to Mr WILLIAM GASKELL of Hongkong, Solicitor, &c., a COMMISSION to swear Affidavits to be used within the Jurisdiction of the said Court relative to all Legal matters therein.

Also,

A COMMISSION to take the acknowledgments of Married Women to Deeds, &c., relating to Property situate within the said Colony of New South Wales.

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A COMMISSION to take the acknowledgments of Married Women to Deeds, &c., relating to Property situate within the said Colony.

Offices GASKELL & BROWN, Solicitors &c.,
Hongkong, 27th March, 1856.

IN THE COURT FOR THE RELIEF OF INSOLVENT DEBTORS AT CALCUTTA.

In the matter of the Asiatic Marine Insurance Office.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by an Order of this Court, bearing date the fifth day of January last, the SHAREHOLDERS of the said ASIATIC MARINE INSURANCE OFFICE are required to pay the several sums respectively assessed upon them by the Official Assignee, at the rate of Rs2000 on each share, on or before the following dates: that is to say, the Shareholders resident in CALCUTTA or the Suburbs thereof on or before the first day of March next; the Shareholders resident in HONGKONG and BOMBAY on or before the third day of May next; and the Shareholders resident in GREAT BRITAIN, and all other places not mentioned in the said Order, on or before the fifth day of July;—and that the Official Assignee will be at liberty to apply that the defaulting Shareholders, be adjudged to have committed an Act of Insolvency according to the provisions of the Indian Insolvent Act.

DENMAN, HATCH, & DAVIS,
Attorneys for the Official Assignee.

Steam for

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, MARSEILLES, & SOUTHAMPTON;

Also,

BOMBAY, MADRAS, & CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship "MADRAS," Captain DOWN, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo for the above Places, will leave this on TUESDAY the 15th April, at 2 P.M. CARGO will be received on board until 5 P.M. on the 13th, SPECIE until Noon on the 14th, and PARCELS until 2 P.M. on the 14th. For Particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply at the Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company's Office, Hongkong.

CONTENTS, AND VALUE OF PACKAGES, ARE REQUIRED.

A Written Declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route is required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shipper to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any Detention or Prejudice which may happen from incorrectness in such declaration.

ROBT. S. WALKER,
Superintendent.

Peninsular & Oriental
Steam Navigation Company's Office,
Hongkong, 1st April, 1856.

NOTICE.

In re LEE-AHFOON, deceased.

ALL Persons having any Claims against the said Estate are requested to send them in on or before the 1st day of February, 1857, for examination and settlement; and also Persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

李成好 亞蘇
李亞貴

Executors.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1856.

茲者李亞寬身故如有
欠到各人賬目祈將數
單于丁巳年正月初七
以前送至承辦人李成
好亞蘇與李亞貴查察
支理如各人客欠到該
李亞寬銀兩祈即清還
二月廿二日承辦人李
成好亞蘇李亞貴同啟

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late LEE AHFOON in our Firm terminated on the 6th instant.

新盛利
SUN SING LEE.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1856.

WITH reference to the above Advertisement, the Business of the House will be conducted as before under the same Name by the remaining Partners.

LEE SANG HO, alias AHSOO.

李成好 亞蘇

LEE AHQUIL.

李亞貴

Hongkong, 28th March, 1856.

茲者李亞寬在本店之
股份於本年正月卅日
止息 咸豐六年二月
廿二日新盛利啟○以
上之告篇新盛利店之
伴李成好亞蘇與李亞
貴將該店開張如舊
丙辰年二月廿二日李
成好亞蘇與亞貴同啟

NOTICE.

FREDERICK BLOCK, Esq., is my ATTORNEY in China during my absence therefrom.

W. T. BRIDGES.

15th January, 1856.

NOTICE.

In re JOHN COLLETT, deceased.

ALL Persons having any claims against the said Estate are requested to send them in on or before the 1st day of September, 1856, for examination and settlement; and also Persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

B. McDERMOTT,
Administrator.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Ship "Fort William,"
Hongkong, 25th March, 1856.

NOTICE.

MR JAMES McCORMICK is authorized to sign our Firm per Procuration.

ALVORD & Co.

Canton, 12th January, 1856.

NOTICE.

MR R. P. DE SILVER is this day admitted a Partner in our Firm, and will take charge of the New York Branch Establishment.

DE SILVER & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1856.

Mr JAMES BROWN,

Notary Public,
Messrs GASKELL & BROWN,
Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c.,
Queen's Road, Victoria.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS the Firm of NYE BROTHERS & Co. of Canton, China, did, on the 11th day of March, 1856, at the Office of the UNITED STATES CONSULATE in Canton, execute an Assignment of all their Property, real and personal, in trust for the benefit of their Creditors, to the undersigned: We hereby give notice to all concerned to make payment to us of all sums due to, and to present to us any claims against, the said Firm.

RUSSELL & Co.
JAMES PURDON & Co.

Canton, 18th March, 1856.

NOTICE.

NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.

(Established 1836.)

Incorporated by Act of Parliament,

FOR FIRE AND LIFE ASSURANCE AT HOME AND ABROAD.

CAPITAL £1,259,760 STERLING.

THE undersigned have been appointed AGENTS at Hongkong, Canton, and Shanghai.

TURNER & Co.

Medical Advisers.

For Hongkong,—W. A. HARLAND, M.D.

For Canton,—WALT. GHO. DICKSON, M.D.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1855.

SMITH & BRIMELOW,

SHIP CHANDLERS,

Wholesale and Retail Wine and Spirit Merchants,

Auctioneers, and Commission Agents,

Nos. 1 & 2 Woosnam's Buildings,

HAVE always on hand an Assortment of SHIP CHANDLERY STORES of every kind.

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An extensive and well-selected supply of WINES, BEER, and SPIRITS, LIQUEURS, CORDIALS, &c., of a superior description.

OILMAN'S STORES from the well known house of Copland, Barnes & Co.; also, STORES per Overland Mail Steamers Monthly for domestic purposes.

Hongkong, 7th July, 1855.

FOR SALE.

WILLS, and POWERS OF ATTORNEY—new and complete Forms.

China Mail Office,

20th March, 1856.

PARCHMENT.

ON hand,—a Supply of fine SKINS, of various Sizes,—for Printing Purposes.

China Mail Office, Hongkong,

27th February, 1856.

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CHARLES MARKWICK,

Government and Supreme Court Auctioneer

and Appraiser,

and

GENERAL STOREKEEPER,

Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

Established 1843.

Printed at the Office of the China Mail, Hongkong.—

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half of these charges for each Repetition.