No. 65.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Notes in Circulation and Specie in Reserve at the Bank of the Oriental Bank Corporation in Hongkong, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. BRIDGES, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 31st July, 1858.

Account of the average Amount of Notes in Circulation at the Bank of the Oriental Bank Corporation in Hongkong, for the Month ending 30th June, 1858, rendered in accordance with the Terms of Her Majesty's Royal Charter of Incorporation,

NOTES ISSUED, SPECIE IN RESERVE, \$358,816. \$200,000.

P. CAMPBELL,

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, 1st July, 1858.

l hereby certify, that I have this day inspected the Books and Treasure Vault of the Oriental Bank Corporation, and the Amount of Specie shown is in accordance with the Terms of the Royal Charter.

FRED. FORTH, Colonial Treasurer.

J. A. CARVALHO, Accountant.

Victoria, Hongkong, 30th July, 1858.

No. 66.

# GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The subjoined Commission and Report, are published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. BRIDGES, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 31st July, 1858.

### WARRANT OF COMMISSION.

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Whereas certain charges have been brought in the Lezislative Council and in Official Documents by the Honourable Thomas Chisholm Anster, Esquire, Attorney General, against Daniel Richard Caldwell Esquire, Registrar General, which necessitate an enquiry into the truth of such charges; and whereas such enquiry will be most conveniently and expeditiously prosecuted by means of a joint Commission of Officers of the Government, and Justices of the Peace: Now therefore know ye, that I, Sir John Bowring, Knight, Lif D., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong, and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, do hereby under my hand and the Sal of the said Colony, appoint you, the Honourable Charles St George Cleverly, Esquire, Surveyor General for the said Colony, The Honourable Henry Todor Davies, Esquire, Chief Magistrate for the said Colony, The Honourable George Lyall, Esquire, Angus Illetter, Esquire, and John Scarth, Esquire, Justices of the Peace for the said Colony, or any three of you, to be a Commission for instituting and prosecuting all needful and proper enquiries into the truth or otherwise of the underwritten charges, which embrace the accusations made by the Attorney General against the Registrar General; and to take evidence, but not upon oath, in the premises; and to report to me all evidence so taken by you, and also your opinions thereon. And I do hereby require you to commence your said enquiries forthwith, and to proceed therein continuously, and to make your Report to me as aforesaid with all reasonable despatch. And I do hereby empower you during the course and for the purposes of your said Commission, to obtain at the expense of the Government such professional or other assistance that you may deem necessary, and to demand and obtain access at all times, to all and all manner of Papers, Records, and Documents, relating to the subject matter of the said Commission, and in the custody or under the control of the several public departments within this

JOHN BOWRING.

## LIST OF CHARGES

Preferred by the Attorney General to the Government against the Registrar General.

1.—With being unfit to be a Justice of the Peace.
2.—With having a scandalous connection with a Brothel licensed by himself, namely, Brothel No. 48.

With having passed a portion of his life among Chinese outlaws and Pirates.

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-With an alliance with some of the worst Chinese in this Colony through his wife—a Chinese girl from a Brothel.

-With being a speculator in Brothels and Brothel Licenses.

-With being long and intimately connected with Ma-chow Wong; and that that connection is still subsisting; and that the principal link in that connection is the bond of affinity by adoption according to Chinese Law.

-With being in the habit, on Ma-chow Wong's unsupported information, of arresting and discharging persons, and of confiscating or rectange property.

restoring property.

That the Chinese dare not now complain of the connivances and procurements of Mr Caldwell, the patron of the outlaw Ma-chow

-With having procured bail for Ma-chow Wong: such bail being a servant of his own (Mr Caldwell's), who had been but a month

before in prison for debt.
-With audaciously denying that the books and papers of the Pirate's Hong contain any evidence of Ma-chow Wong's guilt, with having deceived the Executive Council in the enquiry had relative to Ma-chow Wong, and with being convicted of falsehood by Mr May.

Mr May.

With being partner with Ma-chow Wong in a lorcha, and that there were entries in Ma-chow Wong's books, and made by him, of monies paid to Mr Caldwell on account or out of the produce of plunder made at sea.

With harbouring Ma-chow Wong's wife after his conviction.

With inducing the Attorney General at the beginning of 1857, to order the release of a great number of men, who Mr May knows to have been pirates, and who Mr Caldwell ought to have known at the time were pirates.

With buying land in the Colony since December last, when he became Licenser of Brothels.

With having once owned three unlicensed Hongkong Brothels at a time.

With having a Chinese Sister-in law by blood or usage, who in 1856-57 was keeping Brothels.

With receiving the monthly rack rentals of Houses, and in particular of a Brothel standing on 11 Crown Lots, down to the present month of May.

With having informed Mr May, that he, Mr Caldwell, was a member of a Secret Society.

18.—With having informed Mr May, that he, Mr Caldwell, was a member of a Secret Society.

19.—With having informed Mr May, that although he would not himself take bribes, he would not object to his wife doing so.

### REPORT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, SATURDAY, 17th July, 1802

Str.—We, the Members of a Commission appointed by Your Excellency, on the 20th day of May, 1858, to inquire into and report of certain charges brought against Mr Caldwell, the Registrar General, having inquired into the same do now report,—
That we commence lour public proceedings on the 27th of May last, and have had Twenty-five Sittings, extending over a period of Scattering that we have examined upwards of Fifty Witnesses, and a vast mass of Documents, and have extended our inquires into a number matters, some of which, irrelevant as they may now appear, were so woven into and combined with the immediate subject of inquiry, that was not considered safe to leave them unexamined. We allowed ourselves great latitude as to the kind of evidence we admitted, and we oblived to do so particularly in the matter of hearsay evidence, though not to the extent which the Attorney General (who sent in a proton the subject) considered justifiable or even necessary. We may observe here, that the same gentleman also forwarded a protest against the matter of taking Chinese evidence, as being in his opinion palpably favourable to Mr Caldwell. But we now repeat, what the Chairmant of taking Chinese evidence, as being in his opinion palpably favourable to Mr Caldwell. But we now repeat, what the Chairmant of the reception of the protest, that we consider the Attorney General's complaint totally unfounded.

We have experienced great difficulty in our labours: First, from the nature, arrangement, and wording of the charges—some of appeared unnecessary, as it certainly was most distasteful to us to inquire into; Secondly, from the reluctance of witnesses to give evidence and Thirdly, and especially from the refusal of the Attorney General to act as accuser, or to recognize the charges as his charges. Under these circumstances, we considered it advisable to engage the services of Mr Day to act as examiner, parties interested being informed that would receive at his Chambers any information which it was intended to bring before the Co

on the subject of our inquiry we report:

That charge 2, has been satisfactorily met and explained by Mr Caldwell, though there existed strong prima facie grounds for bringing in That charge 4 is not proved, but that there were grounds for bringing it.

That no proof whatever has been brought forward in support of charge 5.

That charge 14 is not proved as regards Mr Caldwell himself, though it appears that Mrs Caldwell has had transactions in land and houses for her sister since December last, when Mr Caldwell became Licenser of Brothels; but that there is no evidence that Mr Caldwell has any knowledge of such transactions.

any knowledge of such transactions.

That charge 15 has not been proved.

That no proof has been given in support of charge 16, but that there were grounds for bringing it.

That there is no proof whatever of charge 16, and that there were no sufficient grounds for bringing it.

That there were no grounds whatever for bringing charges 18 and 19.

That there were no grounds whatever for bringing charges 3.

That with regard to charge 6, a long and intimate connection between Mr Caldwell and Ma-chow Wong has been proved, but there is no proof of any connection by affinity according to Chinese law or custom.

That with regard to charge 7, it is proved that Mr Caldwell has been in the habit, on Ma-chow Wong's unsupported information, of arresting persons; but that there is no evidence as to his confiscating or restoring property.

That as regards charge 8, there is no evidence of any connivances or procurements of Mr Caldwell; but that it is manifest that the

That as regards charge 8, there is no evidence of any connivances or procurements of Mr Caldwell; but that it is manifest that the Chinese are very averse to give evidence against him.

That as to charge 9, it has been proved, that Mr Caldwell aided in the acceptance of Sze-kai, his former servant, as Bail for Ma-chow Wong, and that Sze-kai had been imprisoned for debt, for a few days, a short time previously.

That we think it unnecessary to make any other observation regarding charge 10, than that there is no evidence of Mr Caldwell having decrived the Executive Council.

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That with reference to charge 11, a partnership with Ma-chow Wong in a lorcha is proved, and in fact admitted by Mr Caldwell; but that there is no evidence as to payments to Mr Caldwell out of the produce of plunder made at sea.

That as to charge 12, there is no evidence whatever.

That of the fact stated in charge 13, of the release of the men upon Mr Caldwell's representation as to their character, there is no doubt whatever; and that it appears incomprehensive how any person with Mr Caldwell's knowledge of the Chinese language, and holding the appointment he did, could have been ignorant of the character of the boats in which the men were seized, and that one at least of these men was a notorious pirate, particularly as it is in evidence that Ma-chow Wong was connected with the boats.

That with regard to charge 1, it being only a matter of inference, we find in support of such inference, that a sum of money was offered by a Chinaman as a mark of gratitude to Mr Caldwell, for being instrumental in the release of a lorcha seized by Pirates, in which the matter was; but that this money was refused by Mr Caldwell, and on such refusal that it was offered to Mrs Caldwell as a present for the children. A majority, however, of the Commission do not feel satisfied that Mrs Caldwell accepted this money. It has also been proved that a Chinese female named Shaplok, who had been in frequent communication with Mr Caldwell (and is reported, but not proved, to be a belonging to the said shop had been mitigated, as was supposed, through her influence, and that she received a further sum of \$50 for her personal trouble in the matter. Further, since the commencement of this inquiry, Mr Caldwell has, solely upon the information conveyed in an anonymous letter, that certain property had been stolen, personally, and without the assistance of the police, searched a r

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's

Most obedient humble Servants,

CHAS. ST GEO. CLEVERLY, Chairman. II. TUDOR DAVIES. GEORGE LYALL. A. FLETCHER. JOHN SCARTH.

To His Excellency

SIR JOHN BOWRING, Kt. LL.D., Governor of Hongkong, \$·c., grc.,

Translation of Ordinance No. 11 of 1858, "for the prevention of Offences touching Securities, Sales, and Deposits."

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J: LY 31, 1858.]

七則 凡巡理廳聞有憑據有人當貨而貨主不知者應即出票搜查該當舖或代理之人不得阻害所寫交囘原物或不用伊還所當之本銀或不用計利息或本利均無庸還俱遵官所寫出設票委仍以上所数須携票到以下所言之衙門求懇審區若七日內有實據是伊之物該衙門

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第十九則 凡人携貨要當銀者必須詳細言明伊是何人並姓名住址由何處得該貨物以凡所當之貨物越六個月期滿之後尚不贖取者則該貨物卽屬當舖 以及該貨是屬 何人之物暨該貨主之姓名住址

、要贖貨物或欲抄取票紙亦必言明其姓名住址並貨主之姓名住址及爲何抄票之故

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NOTICE.

THE Next Sittings of the SUPREME COURT, in its SUMMARY JURISDICTION, will be held 11:1DAY, the Siath day of August, A.D. 1858, . 12 o'clock at Noon.

By Order of the Court,

NORMAN RAMSAY MASSON. Acting Registrar.

COURT OF PROBATE, HONGKONG.

A WOBERT CALVER CRAWFORD, deceased. \*OHCE—All Claims against the Estate of the above deceased, must be proved before the AL ADMINISTRATOR, before the Twenty fourth of Jinuary, A.D. 1859, otherwise they will not also indebted to the above Estate, are re-

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NORMAN RAMSAY MASSON, Acting Registrar—Official Administrator,

### OA'RT OF PROBATE, HONGKONG. In re EDWARD HOW, decased.

TICE—All Claims against the Estate of the above deceased, must be proved before the citt Administration, before the Twenty-third of January, a.d. 1859, otherwise they will not ested in the Scheme of Division.

Persons indebted to the above Estate, are resisted in the immediate Payment to

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NORMAN RAMSAY MASSON, Acting Registrar—Official Administrator

# WIRT OF PROBATE, HONGKONG.

In re JAMES FRASER, deceased. OHEE.—All Claims against the Estate of the abree deceased, must be proved before the total Administration, before the Thirtielk day brailer, a. D. 1858, otherwise they will not be used in the Scheme of Division.

Persons indebted to the above Estate, are re-

NORMAN RAMSAY MASSON, Acting Registrar—Official Administrator.

THE VICE-ADMIRALTY COURT OF HONGKONG.

VOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,—that an inter-mediate SITTING of the above COURT, will to be at 2 o'clock P.M., on IVEDNESDAY, the fracted by of August, 1858.

By Order of the Court,

NORMAN RAMSAY MASSON,

Acting Registrar.

NOTICE.

DUNN in our Firm, ceased on the 30th of

HEDGE & Co.

Touchow, 14th July, 1858.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, under a distraint for Rent, on SATURDAY, the 7th of August, at 11

Rent, on SATURDAY, one too your o'clock A.M.,—
The Valuable and Elegant selection of HOUSE-HOLD FURNITURE, of W. M. ROBINET, on the Premises, Queen's Road, East, Rented to the said W. M. ROBINET,—comprising Office, Bed-room, Dining-room, and Drawing-room Furniture, CROCKERYWARE, SILVER, CUTLERY, &c., &c.

Also.

Also,

2 SEDAN CHAIRS, 1 Handsome American CARRIAGE, and 1 Cilcutta BUGGY.
The above mentioned Articles can be viewed, 2

days previous to the Sale.

-CATALOGUES to be had at the VICTORIA EXCHANGE.

TERMS .- Cush in MEXICAN Dollars.

H. DUDDELL,
Govternment Autioneers.

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP. THE Co-partnership heretofore existing in China under the Style of NOTT & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Either Partner will ign the name in liquidation.

WILLIAM NOTT,

By his Attorney, Walter L. Purdie.

A. B. NEILSON, Jr.

WALTER L. PURDIE.

D. OLYPHANT VAIL.

RICHARD R. TYERS.

China, 22d July, 1858

CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICE. THE undersigned have formed a Co-Partnershi for the purpose of carrying on a GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS IN CHINA, under the name of VDHANT & CO OLYPHANT & Co.

R. M. OLYPHANT, WM. W. PARKIN. L. N. HITCHCOCK.

New York, May 8th, 1858.

Referring to the foregoing notice, Messrs A. B. NEILSON, JR., WALTER L. PURDIE, D. OLYPHANT VAIL, and RICHARD R. TYERS, are this day admitted Partners in our Firm.

OLYPHANT & Co. China, 22d July, 1858.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATION.

THE Next GENERAL MAILS per Steamer

"SINGAPORE," will close on MONDAY,
the 9th Angust, at 6 o'clock P.M.

The usual SUPPLEMENTARY MAILS will be made up
on the following morning. Letters received from
9 to 11 o'clock A.M., for a late fee of 6d.; and from
11 A.M. to 124 o'clock P.M., for a late fee of 1s.

All Letters and Newspapers posted between the
hours of 11 and Haif-past 12 o'clock must be
prepaid.

F. W. MITCHELL, Acting Post-Muster.

Post Office, Hongkong, 24th July, 1858.

Steam for

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

BOMBAY, MADRAS, & CALCUTTA. THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship "SINGAPORE," Captain G. A. GRAINGER, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Curgo, will leave this for the above Places, on TUESDAY, the 10th of August, at

2 P.M.

CARGO will be received on board until 5 P.M.
on the 8th; SPECIE until Noon on the 9th, and
PARCELS until 2 P.M. on the 9th August.
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 on such declaration.

MAXN. FISCHER. Superintendent.

Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company's Office. Hongkong, 23d July, 1858.

PUBLIC SALE

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VALUBALE HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY, in Queen's Road.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been instructed

to sell by Public Aucrion, on WEDNES-DAY, the 25th August next, at Noon,— Lor 1.—Those FIFTEEN HOUSES, situated in

Lot 1.—Those FIFTEEN HOUSES, situated in Queen's Road West, adjoining Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co.'s Godowns, at present occupied as Taverns and Chinese Shops, and let on a Lease, which expires in November 1860, for \$2,180 per Annum.

2.—The Large and Commodious BUNGALOW, in Gough Street, immediately behind the above named Houses, with Coach-House, Stable, &c., at present let at \$60 per Month.

The above Lots are erected on INLAND LOTS 5 and 5 A, and if bought by two different persous, it is to be understood that the whole Property is to be transferred in the Land-Office to the name of the Pur-

transferred in the Land-Office to the name of the Purchaser of the Fifteen Houses, who is to grant a lease, free of Rent or other charge except Ground-Rent for 999 years to the Purchaser of the Bungalow. The Ground-Rent on the whole is £48.7.5,—Two-thirds of which to be chargeable to the 15 Houses, and the remaining One-third to the Bungalow.

Terms of Sales.—One-third of the Purchasemoney to be paid on the full of the Hummer, and the Balance on the completion of the Transfer,—the Expense of which to be paid by the Purchasers.

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