

No. 23.

PROCLAMATION.

JOHN BOWRING.

By His Excellency Sir JOHN BOWRING, Knight, LL.D., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of the Trade of British Subjects in China.

Whereas the Commands of Her Most Gracious Majesty The QUEEN, conveyed through The Right Honourable Henry Labouchere, M.P., Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, have been received, approving of and confirming the following Ordinance, namely:—

Ordinance No. 10 of 1857, entitled—

“An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 3 of 1849:”

Now therefore, it is hereby declared, that the said Ordinance has been so approved and confirmed as aforesaid

By His Excellency's Command,

W. T. BRIDGES,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Given at Victoria, Hongkong, this 15th Day of March, 1858.

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 “CADIZ,” Captain ALDHAM, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above Places, on TUESDAY, the 30th March, at 2 P.M.

CARGO will be received on board until 5 P.M. on the 28th; SPECIE until Noon on the 29th, and PARCELS until 2 P.M. on the 29th.

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, 18th March, 1858.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified for Public information, that, on and from the 1st May next, all LETTERS posted in China, and addressed to the United Kingdom, must be Prepaid.

Unpaid Letters, or Letters paid less than a single rate, received at this office for transmission to the United Kingdom, will be at once opened and returned to the Senders.

In order to obviate, however, the inconvenience which would be caused to the Public by detaining and returning to the Senders those Letters, which, through inadvertence, may be posted without the full amount of Postage being paid upon them, it has been determined to forward, charged with the deficiency of Postage, and a fine of Sixpence, Letters insufficiently prepaid, but paid at least the single rate of Postage.

By Order,
W.M. CHAPMAN,
Post-Master.

Post-office, Hongkong,
18th March, 1858.

RATES OF POSTAGE TO THE UNITED KINGDOM.

LETTERS, via Marseilles.	LETTERS, via Southampton.
Under ½ oz. s. d. 0 9	Under ½ oz. s. d. 0 6
Above ½ ” 1 0	Above ½ ” 1 0
“ 1 ” 1 9	“ 1 ” 2 0
“ 2 ” 2 0	“ 2 ” 3 0
“ 3 ” 2 0	“ 3 ” 4 0
“ 4 ” 2 0	“ 4 ” 5 0
Above 1 oz. 3 3	and so on.
“ 1½ ” 3 6	
“ 2 ” 3 9	
“ 2½ ” 4 0	
and so on, increasing for each ounce 1s. 3d., and for each ¼ ounce 3d.	

NEWSPAPERS, 3d. each, collected in United Kingdom.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATION.

THE Next GENERAL MAILS per Steamer “CADIZ,” will close on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

The usual SUPPLEMENTARY MAIL 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 12½ o'clock P.M., for a late fee of 1s.

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

W.M. CHAPMAN,
Post-Master.

Post Office, Hongkong,
19th March, 1858.

NOTICE.

I, the undersigned, have admitted Mr. F. INNESS HAZELAND a Partner in my business, of Attorney, Solicitor, Proctor, and Notary Public.

G. COOPER TURNER,
Hongkong, 15th March, 1858.

師狀拿丹士未

丹未月戊職作時烟招
拿士初午狀倫你得
巖谷一年師爲時未
啟巴日二之伴蝦士

TWO RIVER STEAMERS FOR SALE.

TO be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION by Mr GEORGE DUDDLELL, pursuant to an Order of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, made in a Cause of STEPHENSON v. MURROW, under the direction of N. R. MASSON, Esq., Receiver, appointed in the said suit at Hongkong.

ON SATURDAY,
the 3d day of April, 1858,

at 12 o'clock Noon, those Two fine River Steamers—
“ROSE” and “SHAMROCK,”

with their GEAR and MACHINERY complete. They have recently been thoroughly examined, and are in perfect repair.

To view the same, and for further particulars, apply to Messrs COOPER TURNER & HAZELAND, Solicitors & Notaries Public, Hongkong.

N. R. MASSON,
Receiver, and Acting Registrar.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1858.

厘爹都士未

拿要全各羅有於
蝦知其身樣時內二
巖其詳修器一河月
啟時其好俱名火廿
初狀細如出三洛運小
五師者欲投此二船兩
日處請觀此二船隻
便未二船業上鐵兩
安士船業上鐵兩隻
謹士船業上鐵兩隻
啟丹或經輪一名

NOTICE.

MR WILLIAM B. HAFFENDEN, at present of Amoy, begs to intimate to the Masters of Vessels, and others, who may proceed to the Port of Swatow, that he has entered into arrangements, to open a SHIP-CHANDLERY STORE at that place; and his Goods being now on the way, he hopes to be able to commence business about the beginning of May. As a Steamer will shortly ply between Singapore and Swatow, and his Goods will in all cases be procured direct from Home via the former Port, he will be able to supply them at Prices as moderate as they can be obtained in any other Port in China.

Swatow, March, 3d 1858.

NOTICE.

WE have established a Branch of our House, as General Merchants & Commission Agents, at BANGKOK, SIAM, from the 25th August last.

REMI. SCHMIDT & Co.
Shanghai, 1st October, 1857.

NOTICE.

THE Business hitherto carried on by the undersigned, will in future be conducted by his Sons,—FRANCISCO ANTONIO DA SILVA, CLAUDIO JOZE DA SILVA, and JOZE JOAQUIM DA SILVA, under the Firm of F. A. DA SILVA & Co.

CLAUDIO IGNACIO DA SILVA.
Macao, 1st March, 1858.

NOTICE.

MR ROBERT MUIRHEAD REDDIE, is authorized to sign the name of our Firm in China.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1857.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership heretofore subsisting between WILLIAM GASKELL and JAMES BROWN, as Attorneys, Solicitors, Notaries Public, and Proctors, at Hongkong, was dissolved, by the decease of the said JAMES BROWN, on the 28th day of April, 1857.

WILLIAM GASKELL.
Dated this 29th day of April 1857.

NOTICE.

THE Business hitherto carried on at this Port in my own Name, as Ship Chandler & General Store-keeper, will, from the 1st day of January, 1858, be conducted under the Style of BELLAMY & Co., for which Mr JOHN BELLAMY, Jun., is authorized to sign per procuracy.

JOHN BELLAMY.
Amoy, 31st December, 1857.

NOTICE.

THE Business hitherto carried on by the undersigned, will in future be conducted under the Style of STEPHENSON & Co.

JAS. STEPHENSON.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1858.

MR M. C. DO ROZARIO, is authorized to sign our Firm.

STEPHENSON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1858.

COPPER-PLATE PRINTING.

PERSONS having ENGRAVED PLATES may have VISITING CARDS (Enamelled or Plain) printed from them at the Office of the “China Mail.”

Hongkong, September 1857.

Printed at the Office of the China Mail, Hongkong.—
Price, \$12 per Annum. Single Copies, Thirty-six Cents.

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