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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The Contract for publishing this *Gazette*, entered into on the 24th September, 1853, was terminated on the 30th ultimo; and notice is hereby given, that a NEW SERIES of this *Gazette* will be published hereafter, to commence from the 7th instant, under a New Contract, and that "THE HONGKONG GOVERNMENT GAZETTE"

will, as before, be the only Official Organ for PROCLAMATIONS, NOTIFICATIONS, and PUBLIC PAPERS, of this Government.

By Order,
Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 2d July, 1855.

W. T. MERCER, *Colonial Secretary.*

No. 39.

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 The Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, have been received, approving of and confirming the two following Ordinances, namely:—

No. 11 of 1857, entitled—

An Ordinance for licensing and regulating Emigration Passage Brokers;

No. 12 of 1857, entitled—

An Ordinance for checking the spread of Venereal Diseases;

Now therefore, it is hereby declared, that the said Two Ordinances have 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 26th Day of April, 1858.

No. 40.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency The Governor has been pleased to appoint A. L. INGLIS, Esquire, to discharge the duties of Acting Harbour Master and Emigration Officer, until further Notice.

By Order,

W. T. BRIDGES,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 30th April, 1858.

No. 20.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

With reference to the Validity of Marriages solemnized in China, otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of the Act 12 and 13 *Victoria*, Cap. 68, His Excellency SIR JOHN BOWRING, Knight, LL.D., Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of Trade in China, &c., &c., has received a Despatch from The Right Honourable The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a Copy of which is hereby published for general information.

By Order,

G. W. CAINE.

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 26th April, 1858.

No. 7.

FOREIGN OFFICE, March 9, 1858.

SIR,—I have had under my consideration, and have referred to the proper Law Advisers of the Crown, your Despatches Nos. 452 and 7 of the 26th of December and 9th of January last, on the subject of the doubts which had arisen as to the Validity of the Marriages of British Subjects at Chinese Ports; and I have to acquaint you, in reply, that the Statute 12 and 13 *Victoria*, Cap. 68, empowering a Consul to solemnize Marriages, does not affect the validity of, or in any way interfere with, any Marriages which would have been valid independently of that Statute, in which category are Marriages celebrated in China by Ministers of the Church of England, according to the forms of that Church.

With regard to the case [specially referred to], and to the Validity of Marriages celebrated by a Clergyman of the Church of England, under the Act 12 and 13 Victoria, Cap. 68, at Macao; if Macao is Chinese Territory, and not a Portuguese possession, such Marriages will be valid as being celebrated in China, a Pagan Country. If, however, Macao is a possession of Portugal, then it has a Christian Law of Marriage, as its "lex loci," and Marriages of British Subjects must, in order to be valid, be solemnized there either in accordance with such "lex loci," or with the Provisions of the Act above mentioned.—I am, &c.,

Sir JOHN BOWRING, &c., &c., &c.

(Signed.)

MALMESBURY.

True Copy,

H. F. HANCE.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATION.

THE Next GENERAL MAILS per Steamer "POTTINGER," will close on TUESDAY, the 4th 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.

Wm. CHAPMAN,
Post-Master.

Post Office, Hongkong,
27th April, 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 "POTTINGER," Captain CURLING, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Stores, and Cargo, will be ready for the above Places, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th instant, at 2 p.m.

CARGO will be received on board on the 3d; SPECIE until Noon on the 4th, and PARCELS until 2 p.m. on the 4th.

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, 26th April, 1858.

NOTICE.

PURSUANT to an Order of the High Court of CHANCERY, made in the matter of the Estate of CHARLES EVANS, late Commander of the Steam-ship "Fulda," in the Peninsular and Oriental Company's service, deceased; and in a cause of JOHN BEATSON against CATHERINE EVANS, the Creditors of CHARLES EVANS, late Commander of the said steam-ship "Fulda," in the Peninsular and Oriental Company's service, deceased, who died in or about the month of November, 1855, are, by their Solicitors, on or before the Fourteenth day of June, 1858, to come in and prove their Debts at the Chambers of the Vice-Chancellor Sir WILLIAM PAGE WOOD, at No. 11 New Square, Lincoln's Inn, Middlesex, in England, or in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.

MONDAY, the 21st day of June, 1858, at 12 o'clock at Noon, at the said CHAMBERS, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the Claims.

Dated this Ninth day of February, 1858.

RICHARD BLOXAM,
Chief Clerk.

B. F. WATSON,
36 Lincoln's Inn Fields,
Plaintiff's Solicitor.

SALE OF VALUABLE LAND, HOUSES,
AND GRANITE GODOWN.

PURSUANT to an Order of the SUPREME COURT of HONGKONG, in the Cause STEPHENSON v. MURROW, Mr DUDELL is authorised to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, under the direction of N. R. MASSON, Esq., Receiver in the Suit, on TUESDAY, the 25th May, 1858,—

In the following order of Sale, the undermentioned premises, viz.—

Lot 1.—INLAND LOT 236 B, with a HOUSE thereon, situate at the corner of Tai-ping-shan Street, and Hollywood Road, to be sold on the Ground at 11 a.m., precisely.

Lot 2.—INLAND LOT 237, with a HOUSE thereon, situate as above, to be sold at the same time and place.

Lot 3.—INLAND LOTS 212 and 212 A, with SEVEN HOUSES thereon, situate opposite ACHONG'S Eating House, corner of the Circular Buildings, Victoria West, to be sold on the Ground, at 30 minutes past 11 a.m., all together, or each House separately.

Lot 4.—INLAND LOTS 359 and 359 A, with a GRANITE GODOWN thereon, 100 feet X 60 feet. This Godown is unattached, nearly fire-proof, and has a Store in the front for Light Goods; and is situate near P. & O. Coal Godowns, and will be sold at 12 o'clock Noon, precisely.

Particulars and conditions, apply to E. K. STACE, Esq., or W. GASKELL, Esq., Solicitors, &c., Queen's Road, Victoria.

N. R. MASSON,
Receiver, and Acting-Registrar.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1858.

FOR SALE.

VALUABLE HOUSE PROPERTY IN HONGKONG, TO BE SOLD.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, with THREE DWELLING HOUSES erected thereon, known by the name of "Almuk Place," bounded on the North by Wellington Street, on the West by Aberdeen Street, on the South by Gage Street, and on the East, by 2 closes of Land registered in the LAND OFFICE as No. 11 and 97, and containing in the whole 18,798 Square Feet, and registered in the LAND OFFICE as No. 13.

The Property is situated in the centre of the City, and is held for the residence of a term of 999 years, commencing on the 23d of April, 1844, at an Annual Ground RENT of £42,125. For further particulars, apply to Messrs COOPER TURNER & HAZELAND, Solicitors & Notaries Public, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1858.

NOTICE.

MR GEO. RICHARDS LAWRENCE is authorised to sign our Firm per procuracion from this date.

JAMES PURDON & Co.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1858.

NOTICE.

MR WILLIAM HARDING is authorised to sign our Firm per pro. during our absence.

BOWRA & Co.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1858.

NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, have this day commenced business at this Port, as Ship-chandlers, Auctioneers, and Commission Agents, under the Title of TALBOT, DEVINE & Co,

H. E. TALBOT.
W. H. DEVINE.
Whampoa, 7th April, 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 undersigned, have admitted Mr F. INNES 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

丹未月戊職作時煙招
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謹谷一二年師爲時
啟巴日二之伴蝦士

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 interest and responsibility of Messrs DANIELL, DICKINSON & Co., of London, in our Firm, ceased on the 31st January last. Mr WILLIAM DICKINSON continues to be a Partner with us.

ALFRED WILKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1858.

FOR SALE.

At the "China Mail" Office.

BLANK CIRCULARS, with LIST of MERCHANTS, &c., in English and Chinese. Blank Forms of—POWERS OF ATTORNEY, WILLS, CHARTERPARTIES, BILLS OF EXCHANGE, BILLS OF LADING, SHIPPING ORDERS, COMPRADOR'S CHECK BOOKS, SHIPPING ARTICLES, and the newest form of SHIP'S BILL OF SALE.

Also,
SAILING DIRECTIONS (printed in Pamphlet form) for the RIVERS YANG-TSZE-KEANG and MIN.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1858.

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