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

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY'S Steam Ship BRAGANZA, will leave for the above places on Sunday the 30th January at 2 P. M. Cargo will be received on board until Noon, and Spectators until 4 P. M., on the 29th.

For particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Company's Office, Hongkong.

J. A. OLDING, Agent.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1848.

### NOTICE.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamers from Hongkong will in future proceed throughout to SINGAPORE, BOMBAY, and CALCUTTA, also to COLOMBO, CANTON, PENANG, and SINGAPORE. For particulars, apply to the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 19th October, 1847.

### NOTICE.

THE P. & O. S. N. COMPANY'S, will from this date undertake the conveyance of Species from China, and the Straits, to Southampton, under the conditions specified in their customary Bill of Lading, at 2 1/2 per cent.

J. A. OLDING, Agent.  
P. & O. S. N. Company's Office  
Victoria, 21st December, 1847.

### FOR LONDON.

THE ROBEY, A. 1, 400 Tons, Captain TROTTER, having part of her Cargo engaged. Apply to KENNEDY, MACGREGOR & Co. Canton, 24th January, 1848.

### FOR LONDON.

THE SIR ROBERT SALE, will have immediate despatch for the above port. She carries an experienced Surgeon. For passage apply to LINDSAY & Co. 13th January, 1848.

### FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

THE British Brig LINNET, 140 Tons Register, in excellent order. For particulars apply at the Auction Mart to GEO. DUDELL. Victoria, 10th January, 1848.

### TO BE LET.

THE House and Shop, lately occupied by Messrs. MACRAE and Co. Apply to PHILLIPS, MOORE & Co. Victoria, 24th December, 1847.

### TO LET.

SPACIOUS Godowns and dwelling house, built of Granite and lately occupied by Messrs. RUSSELL & Co. The property is situated near the centre of the Town, (Victoria, Hongkong) and has a water frontage. Apply on the Premises, or to THOMAS RIPLEY & Co.,—Shanghai. Hongkong, 31st July, 1846.

### TO LET.

THE Building on the Queen's Road, known as the Aberdeen House. Also a Bungalow in Aberdeen Street. Apply to BUSH & Co. Hongkong, 21st January, 1847.

### WODONS TO LET.

WODONS TO LET, and Goods Stored on moderate terms by BURD, LANGE & Co. Hongkong, 23rd October, 1847.

### TO LET.

FOUR Rooms in the upper part of a House situated in Wellington Terrace, D'Aguiar Street. Apply to D. LAPRAIK. Victoria, 10th January, 1848.

### TAVERN TO LET.

THE HOUSE lately occupied by Mr. ALEXANDER ROBERTSON on the Queen's Road. Possession can be given on the 15th instant. Apply to JOHN CARR. 6th November, 1847.

THE EQUITABLE INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CALCUTTA.

THE Undersigned are authorised to grant Policies in Canton and Shanghai, payable here in London, Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay. The usual return of Ten per Cent made on all Premiums contributed.

LINDSAY & Co., Agents Equitable Insurance Society, Hongkong, 17th November, 1847.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CALCUTTA.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies, payable in London, Liverpool, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Singapore, Mauritius, and Colombo.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Canton, 1st November, 1847.

IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BOMBAY.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents of the above-named Company, and are prepared to grant Policies here and at Shanghai, payable in London, Liverpool, Calcutta, Bombay, and Canton.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Canton, 16th June, 1847.

### NOTICE.

MR JOHN G. WARD is admitted a Partner in our House, his Interest and Responsibility commencing on the 1st of June last.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Canton, 20th July, 1847.

### NOTICE.

IT is hereby given that Mr JOHN THISTLETHWAITE ceased to be in our employ from the 18th day of April last past, by lapse of the term of agreement by which he was empowered to act for us in the management of our establishment existing up to that time at Shanghai, and to sign for us there by Procuration.

B. WATERHOUSE & Co. Ningpo, 6th August, 1847.

### NOTICE.

DURING the absence of the Undersigned, our Business in Hongkong will be conducted by Messrs PHILLIPS MOORE & Co. Per P. O. R. OSWALD & Co. H. LIND. Victoria, 16th August, 1847.

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr WILLIAM S. WETMORE in our Firm, ceased on the 30th ultimo, and we have this day admitted Mr GEORGE HENRY LAMSON as a Partner therein. Our Firm now consists of SAMUEL WETMORE JUNR., WILLIAM MOORE, and GEORGE HENRY LAMSON.

We also announce that we have established at Shanghai a Branch of our House, under our own name and style, and Mr ROBERT POWELL SAUL will sign the same there, by Procuration.

WETMORE & Co. Canton, 1st July, 1847.

### NOTICE.

MR. JOHN N. ALSOP GRISWOLD is this day admitted a Partner in our house.

RUSSELL & Co. Canton, 1st January, 1848.

### NOTICE.

JUST begs to inform the Community of Canton, that he has removed his Establishment from Hongkong to this place, where he trusts to merit their patronage.

Canton, 1st October, 1847. (At present No. 1, New China Street.)

### FOR SALE.

SHEATHING COPPER. Apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, 7th May, 1847.

### WINES FOR SALE.

AT the Godowns of the Undersigned;— Superior Port, in 4 dozen Cases, Sherry, " 4 do. do. Madeira, " 3 do. do. Do. " Wood.

Mumm's Champagne and Allsopp's Pale Ale, BLENKIN, RAWSON & Co. Victoria, 27th July, 1847.

### FOR SALE.

FIRE Grates and Stoves, with Piping. PHILLIPS MOORE & Co. Victoria, 13th September, 1847.

### FOR SALE.

THE following Wines— Port, Sherry, Sauterne, Hock, Claret, Sparkling Champagne, Hermitage, Pale Cognac Brandy, in do. do. Scheidam Geneva, in do. of 1 dozen.

Superfine Italian Sliced Oil. Apply to HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Victoria, 15th July, 1846.

### FOR SALE.

DANCA TIN. Apply to OLYPHANT & Co. Canton.

14th August, 1847.

### FOR SALE.

AN Iron Fence Railing 400 feet, with 4 double level 18 feet gates; two Engine Force pumps; Foreign and Common pumps; also Marshall & Son's patent Clashes.

ROBERT STRACHAN. Victoria, 15th September, 1847.

### FRANKLYN & MILNE.

AUCTIONEERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS, QUEEN'S ROAD.

GOODS Sold by private sale, or Public Auction, Stored in dry and secure godowns, landed, or unshipped, and general business transacted for Parties absent.

### ON SALE.

Shaw and Maxwell's and other Sherry. Do. do. Port. Fine Dark and Pale Cognac. Pale East India Ale. Champagne, Hock and Madeira. Schizer Water.

### Also,

Java Coffee; Salt Provisions in barrels; large and small Gun, Muskets; Mosaic and Cannon Gungpowder; Chain Cables and Anchors; Canvas and Rope; Pine Spars, and other articles.

Hongkong, January 4th, 1848.

JUST OPENED FOR SALE, A CASE of fine Damask Table Linen.

Also, Fine Fresh Linen, and Whitney Blankets. FRANKLYN & MILNE, Auctioneers and Commission Agents. Victoria, 7th January, 1848.

### FOR SALE.

A FINE deeked cutter rigged Pleasure Boat Coppered and Copper fastened. Mast and Sails quite new, with Anchor, Chain, and fittings all complete. Apply to FRANKLYN & MILNE. Victoria, 30th November, 1847.

### FOR SALE.

THE Seaman's guide, through Banca and Gaspar Straits, by Lieut. H. D. A. SMITS, of the Dutch Navy Hydrographer at Batavia, &c., &c., &c. Translated by permission of the Author. Apply to FRANKLYN & MILNE, Commission Agents & Auctioneers, Queen's Road. Victoria, 28th December, 1847.

### NOTICE.

FRANKLYN & MILNE have opened the rooms on the ground floor of the Premises known as the British Hotel, as COMMISSION AND AUCTION SALE ROOMS, and will be happy to receive Goods, for either Private Sale or Public Auction. Victoria, 21st January, 1848.

MESSRS. SMITH & BRIMELOW have received ex Anna Robertson, a quantity of Gaskell & Down's superior Bottled Beer, which they offer for sale.

Woodsman's Buildings, Victoria, 25th January, 1848.

### FOR SALE.

STOCKHOLM Tar in 4 Barrels; Pine Varnish in 5 Gallon Tanks; Genuine Ground White Lead.

Also, Very superior Old Tom, just landed ex Duke of Cornwall.

SMITH & BRIMELOW. Victoria, 25th January, 1848.

SHIP CHANDLERS STORES. And supplies of every description required for Ship use, on sale by the undersigned.

SAILS Made and Repaired.

JUST RECEIVED. A large Assortment of Canvas, Bleached and Unbleached.

Also, Real Edinburgh Ale, East India Pale Ale, &c. &c.

Good dry STONAGE with water frontage.

CHARLES BUCKTON, Shipping and Commission Agent, Queen's Road, Victoria, 25th Jan., 1848.

VICTORIA HOTEL, SHANGHAI, CHINA.

F. RICHARDS & Co. beg to announce to the Public that their HOTEL is now completed, and that for GENTLEMEN or FAMILIES who may be visiting the Northern Ports, they have Accommodations which they think will be found superior to any other Hotel in China.

SHANGHAI being considered the most healthy situation in China, in the East, and also favourably situated, as to the facilities of Shooting and other healthful exercises, F. R. & Co. would respectfully solicit the patronage of such MILITARY, NAVAL, and MARINE Commanders, as may have occasion to spend a short time in the coast, or more healthy climate, for the restoration of their health.

And in returning thanks for the support they have received, F. R. & Co. beg to say to the Public generally, that no exertions will be spared on their part to make the Hotel worthy of Public patronage.

Singapore, 1st November, 1847.

### FOR SALE.

ANCHORS, Chain Cables, and Hawse Pipes of all sizes. An Invoice of Manila, Europe, and Patent Rope.

Also, Coffee, and Government Cigars.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co. 4th November 1846.

### FOR SALE.

SALT Provisions, Flour, Rum, Arrack, and Brandy in Wood; Whisky, Cognac, and all kinds of Wines in Bottle.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co. 4th November 1846.

### FOR SALE.

ROMAN Cement, and Window Glass of all sizes.

Apply to, RAWLE, DUUS & Co. Victoria, 3rd August, 1847.

### REAL HAVANNAHS.

FOR sale by the undersigned. RAWLE, DUUS & Co. Victoria, 10th January, 1848.

JUST received ex Aurora, Invoices of Manila Cordage, from 2 inches to 4 inches; Manila Coffee and Gin in Cases. For sale by

DRINKER, HEYL & Co. Victoria, 4th January, 1848.

FOR SALE ex "SAMUEL RUSSELL"

SUPERIOR Dark and Pale Brandy, in half Pipes, Quarter Cases, and Bottles. Sherry Wine, in Wood. "Sickels" Wine Bitters, in 1 dozen Cases. Sperm Candles. "Gallego" Flour. Navy and Pilot Bread. Butter in small Kegs. Tongues in half Barrels. Europe Rope, from 1 inch to 6 1/2 inches. Green, Blue, Yellow, Black, and Red Paints, in Tins.

6 Barrelled Revolving Pistols, in Cases. Also, a few Pieces of fine Cloths and Casimeres. Apply to

DRINKER, HEYL & Co. Hongkong, 11th January, 1848.

### FOR SALE.

A FEW Barrels Superior Sperm Oil. Apply to, DRINKER, HEYL & Co. Victoria, 16th January, 1848.

### WANTED.

A Situation in a Mercantile House by a Person well acquainted with business, and who can give good references. For particulars, apply to the Editor of this Paper. Victoria, 16th July, 1847.

### VICTORIA DISPENSARY,

POTTERNE STREET.

SODA WATER AND LEMONADE of Superior Quality.

MACAO, at HINNAM'S, China Shopkeeper. Victoria, 11th June, 1847.

### HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Queen's Road, Victoria.

SODA WATER. AERATED LEMONADE. SELTZER WATER, direct from HAMBURG.

AGENT AT CANTON, ACHOOK—Commander, No. 8, Imperial Hong, Hongkong, 4th November, 1847.

### NOTICE.

ALL claims against the Estate of JOHN PARR, Esq., deceased, must be sent in to the undersigned, before the 25th day of May, 1848; otherwise they will not be included in the scheme of division.

All persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to,

CHAS. ST. GEO. CLEVERLY, Attorney for the Administrators.

Victoria, 17th January, 1848.

### NOTICE.

ALL Parties indebted to or having claims against the Estate of the late Mr. Wm. Henry LUNN, Esq., are requested to send in an account of the same to the Undersigned. No claim against the Estate will be attended to unless sent in on or before the 25th day of March, 1848.

R. JACOBSON. Canton, 14th October, 1847.

### NOTICE.

ALL Persons indebted to or having claims against the Estate of the late Mr. JAMES M. HARRIS, Esq., are requested to send in an account of the same to the Undersigned. No claim against the Estate will be attended to unless sent in on or before the 25th day of March, 1848.

R. JACOBSON. Canton, 14th October, 1847.



To sum up then, since we desire not that a free port should be turned into a closed port, how much less can we bear to think of encouraging merchants to come here to be injured, we must be satisfied with the present state of things...

A Special Statement. Published in May, 1847.

Proclamation Forbidding the Formation of a Tea and Silk Association.

HIS EXCELLENCY, TAO-TAI of Shanghai, Sec. &c., hereby gives plain command. His Excellency the late Tao-tai, King, (now deceased) handed over to me the case of the merchants who formerly petitioned for the formation of a Tea and Silk Association...

Do not oppose. A Special Proclamation. Thuanquang 27th year, 23rd month, 26th day. (May 10th 1846).

A VISIT TO PITCAIRN'S ISLAND.

Her Majesty's brig Spy arrived off this island on the 26th of February, and was boarded by George Adams and some more natives shortly after she had left. George Adams is the son of the celebrated John Adams, the father of the colony, the manager of the Bounty...

After my coming to off a horn, I became acquainted with the above circumstances, and therefore I issue this Proclamation, to prohibit the formation of a Tea and Silk Association, and to prevent the merchants from carrying into operation the deliberations regarding the establishment of a Tea and Silk Association...

dressing the hair is odd, it being rolled up in a conical fashion at the back of the head. Their dresses, when they do not wear the European ones, are dark, consisting of only a sort of shirt of some dark colour, with an upper short petticoat of white stuff, and a handkerchief tied loosely round the neck...

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

ROBBERY. (From the Bombay Times, December 15.) THE BOMBAY MARKET.

We had the pleasure in our last of reporting on a very steady Market for Imports, and we have now the further satisfaction of advising increased business, with every prospect of a gradual general improvement throughout the season.

Our Produce Market is in a state of great depression, and must continue so until more settled intelligence comes forward from Europe.

150 cans Mangalore, at Rs. 81 per candy, 450 ditto... Compta " 85 " 450 ditto... " 84 " 100 ditto... " 84 "

Opium.—None of the new crop is yet here, and the price of old is quite nominal; say Rupees 750 to 850 per chest.

SHANGHAI.

(From the Pincang Gazette, January 8.) THE MARKET.

During the past month our market for Europe Piece Goods has continued in the same inactive state that we have had occasion to notice in our two previous reports, (which, however, is usually the case at this season of the year) and transactions in them have, consequently, been comparatively trifling.

In taking a review of our trade since the commencement of the present year, we have the satisfaction to notice generally an evident increase upon the last. The sales of Piece Goods both direct and through Singapore have been more than usually large and if they are not checked by some adverse given way, it is mainly attributable to the cause above mentioned.

EASTERN PRODUCE.

Considerable activity prevails in our market for most of the Eastern produce for shipment to England and the United States. This has come in more freely but the high rates ruling in Calcutta keep prices here above what the Home Markets warrant.

Pepper.—Black, plentiful at 83 1/2 per picul at which sales are making. White—continues to be wanted.

Rattans.—Always obtainable here at \$1.40 to \$1.75 per picul according to quality.

Europe, moderate in price kinds are in good demand for the Indian markets, and selling at \$65 a 870 per picul.

Opium.—Benares.—Last sales at \$335 cash. Patna fever commands in this market a higher price than Benares.

Exchange.—On London 6 m. sight 4 1/2 for first rate paper; no other Bills negotiable in the present state of affairs in England except well protected by shipping documents.

On Madras and Calcutta—natives bills have been sold at 2 1/2.

On Calcutta.—No demand. The Government Treasury which last month was open at 224 is now closed.

On Bombay.—Sales to the extent of Company's Rs. 40,000 at 227. A considerable amount is still in the Market.

On Madras.—Sales at 228. On China.—No transactions reported.

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Pepper.—Black, plentiful at 83 1/2 per picul at which sales are making. White—continues to be wanted. Rice.—Extensive sales of Aracan have been made during the month at 43 1/2 a 44 per coya.

FOR SHANGHAI. THE ALLIGATOR, Capt. Cook, will leave this for Cuming-moon on the 1st February, calling here on her way up the Coast.

WE have the pleasure to admit Mr DENHAM JAMES KAY and Mr R. FINLAY as Partners in our Firm, which will be known as THOMSON, FINLAY & Co.

THE Interest and responsibility of Mr DENHAM JAMES KAY in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.

NOW landing from the Duke of Cornwall, Ladies and Gentlemen's Saddles; Silver mounted Jockey, twig, and Driving Whip; Spurs, Horse Clothing, Circings, Girths; Horse and Pony Martingales; Flat and Round Brides; &c., &c.

A Gun Room Steward for H. M. B. Childers. Testimonials of Good Character will be required. Apply on board.

NOTICE is hereby given that Sealed Tenders will be received at this Office by the respective Officers of the Ordnance until the 14th day of February next from such Persons as may be willing to contract for the following Services, from the 1st April 1848 to 31st March 1849:

Washing and repairing Barrack and Hospital Bedding... Separate contract. Repairing Barrack, Furniture and Utensils... Separate contract. Sweeping Chimneys... Contract. Emptying Privies... One contract. Removing Ashes... Contract. Lighting Lamps... Contract.

FOR SALE a Case of Surgical Instruments (maker DARANY) Apply to M. CLERJON, Victoria, 22d November, 1847.

MRS. INESS has received by the Anna Robertson—Twelve fashionable Velvet and other Bonnets, from one of the first houses in London, they were expressly made as pattern Bonnets, and are well worth inspection; likewise a few choice Dress Caps of the newest styles.

Two Ladies' Riding Habits, made to order, all of which will be sold cheap. Victoria, 25th January, 1848.

The Race Committee having deemed it advisable to make some slight alterations in the programme, the following is the amended list for the forthcoming Race:—The last Entrance is deferred until the 30th instant, on which day the List will be positively closed.

HONGKONG RACE MEETING, 1848. FIRST DAY, TUESDAY, 1st FEBRUARY, 1848.

The Hong-wei cheng Stakes, for all Ponies under 13 hands. One mile. Entrance \$1 each with \$30 added from the Fund. Weight for miles as per scale. Former Winner of this Race excluded.

The Penitentiary's Cup, presented by His Excellency Sir John Francis Davis, Baronet, value \$200, for all Horses. One mile and three quarters. Weight 10 stone 7 lbs. Sydney and Cape bred Horses to carry 1 stone 7 lbs. extra. Entrance \$10 each. Second Horse to save his Stakes.

