

NOTICE
New Advertisements will be received until 4 O'clock on the evenings previous to publication, viz: Tuesdays and Fridays.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Day. Includes entries for England, United States, Calcutta, Bombay, and Madras.

THE FRIEND OF CHINA AND HONGKONG GAZETTE.

VICTORIA SATURDAY, APRIL 29th, 1848.

NOTICE - Defunct Notice will for the present be conducted in the building adjoining the Post-Office and opposite to the Club House, on Sunday at 11 o'clock.

NOTICE - PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. This congregation, conducted for the present by the Rev. W. C. Burns, will meet every Sabbath in the Congregational building behind the Old House.

NOTICE - The next GENERAL MEETING of the China Branch, ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY, will be held at the Society's rooms in Stanley St. on the evening of Tuesday May 2nd.

THE FURY sails for Bombay this afternoon. Letters by her will catch the bi-monthly mail at Galle.

Next week we will refer to the following letter, also to a previous correspondence between the "East India and China Association" and the Foreign Secretary.

My Lord - It is with feelings of the most painful description that we now address your Lordship in reference to the lamentable occurrences at Canton, of which the present mail brings us news.

It cannot now be denied that the expedition, projected by the late Emperor, to the assistance of the Chinese, which did not overcome but confirmed the Chinese in their course of their own superiority.

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The P. & O. Co's Steamer Pattinor leaves tomorrow morning for China. We formerly referred to the accident this vessel had met with on a slight crack made in its appearance in the ship's crank on her connecting shaft.

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entered to be severely examined to order to ascertain whether he was bribed, and strict search is to be made for the missing culprit.

The Court - Pwan-sih-nan one of the Cabinet Ministers has obtained a month's leave of absence on account of illness.

Some of the courtiers returned thanks for the reward bestowed upon them by the Emperor of the character of "Happiness in his own country."

Appointments - At King-yin's request, an officer whose name is Show is appointed to Pwan-yin in Canton, on trial as Acting Magistrate.

The Court - The Board of Rites is ordered to make out an annual list of the courtiers who fall to accompany the Emperor when going to sacrifice.

Under this date we observe a memorial has been sent regarding a change in the Salt Monopoly Regulations in Fokien.

The Memorial to Tschekin - One of the ministers in the north-west, Chia-fu-lin, states that the money necessary there is 650,000 taels, of which 500,000 taels are not yet sent.

The Court - On the 10th of the present month the Emperor's fifth son ascended the throne in performing the rites at the altar of the Grain God.

Appointments, Resignations, and Promotions are notified in Chinese to the Emperor, and in English to the British Consul.

The Court - The Emperor is ordered to be expelled that he accompany the British Legation before the approach of the winter to the north of Canton, as he would come if he came at the same time.

The Court - A member of the Board of Rites distinguished by his qualifications for the office having been cut off in his prime, the Emperor on hearing that he had suddenly expired.

Foreign Tribute Arrives - A Gorka ambassador or tribute bearer having arrived at Peking, some delay took place in his being entertained, and as the Board according to custom give entertainment to the ambassador from Gorka and Siam, the Gorka ambassador is to be entertained as soon as he has occupied his lodgings.

Appointments - The ex-Governor of Shanung province, Tschekin, who was dismissed at the end of his term for bringing it into such a disordered state, has had his sentence confirmed by being appointed a Joint Minister in the Ministry of Revenue.

Memoirs of Zeal for the Government is expressed in a memorial from Kien-ling stating the request of Ahnnet and other Bureaux for the repair of the public works at Ying-kashar such as the walls, gates, moat, and the temples, powder magazine, parade grounds, &c.

The Emperor bestows upon the newly ascended Gorka King a precious stone Baton, and the Gorka ambassadors are rewarded with peacock feathers.

The Court - King-yin's Son Kiang-sing returned thanks for being appointed to go to meet his father, and as the Ministers invited to an audience, and minute accounts of the Emperor's movements.

Announcement - The Imperial command was received in reference to a memorial stating that the lands belonging to the Military Brigade at Nanking called the Parade Ground had been inundated.

The Governor of this province, Wo-wang-yang, memorializes with great propriety for the removal of the district boundaries for their posts, which memorial is ordered to be separately recorded.

The Governor of this province, Hsiao-yang, memorializes for the punishment of the Magistrate within whose district robberies to the extent of 9000 dollars have occurred.

The Board of Princes memorializes for the appointment of several officers to go to Fokien to examine the river.

In reply to a previous memorial the Imperial will be deferred in those districts where the crops had been injured by inundations.

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We have picked out a few extracts from a file of Cape papers from 17th December to 21st January.

There is nothing new from the Frontier as respects the movements of the troops: At Graham's Town all was on the usual state of expectation.

The boats of H. S. Ship's President and Eurydice had an engagement with the Natives of the town of Angoria, in which 9 men were wounded.

Sir Harry Smith's first act has been to liberate Sandilla, directing him to come with all the Kafir Chiefs to King William's Town on the 22nd.

The Governor then broke the wand, symbolic of war, which had been offered for their choice, simultaneously with that of peace, and declared, "there is an end of war."

The news from the Frontier are encouraging Sir Harry Smith is proceeding with his usual promptitude and decision.

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The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company have the following steamers: Clyde, Dart, Farth, Medway, Severn, Tav, Avon, Teviot, Thames, Trent, and Great Western.

Besides the above mentioned steam ships there are 10 smaller steamers, of about 400 tons burden, belonging to the South Western Steam Packet Company.

Supposing an invasion is to take place, by means of the electric telegraph, orders could be sent from the Admiralty to Southampton, and the 10 or 12 ships generally lying in the dock could in a few hours be got under weigh.

This morning at nine o'clock, the great part of the inhabitants of this Galle were hurried into a state of excitement in the anticipation of seeing this enlightened Egyptian warrior land on our shores.

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SYNOPSIS OF THE PEEK GAZETTE.
MARCH 11, 1848.
Appointments - At the request of Pooyentel, Chang-tung and Lew-yin-ko, appointments of several officers were made by their respective governments.

Death in Gorka - In the province of many districts have suffered from the ravages of the pestilence, and it is reported that the Emperor has ordered that the bodies of the victims should be buried in a secret place.

Steam Delegates of England.
(From the Times.)
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

REMARKS ON THE MARKET. IMPORTS. Cotton Goods.—The market has not experienced any improvement since our last. On the contrary...

EXPORTS. Sugar.—Nothing doing in current quality, in no demand. Sun dried Brown in some demand for Sydney at \$3.50 a 60 lb. per cwt. Indigo.—Without demand. Hemp.—Some purchased at \$0.1 a \$7.1.

ARRIVALS. AT HONGKONG. Apr. 25, Water Witch, Forgan, from Cumingston. 25, Corsair (steamer), Soames, from Canton. 25, Devas, Langley, from Bombay 19th February.

DEPARTURES. FROM HONGKONG. Apr. 25, Ariel (Am.), Hunt, Whampoa. 25, Anglona (Am.), Marvin, Cumingston. 25, Corsair (steamer), Soames, Canton.

FOR SALE. A Quantity of Tahitian Fancy Wood suitable for Furniture &c., in logs from 10 to 14 feet in length. Sheet Lead and Manila Cigars.

PUBLIC AUCTION AT FRANKLYN & MILNE'S Sale Rooms, Queen's Road, on Monday next, 1st May, at 11 A.M. Waistcoats; Caps; Lace Collars for Ladies; Mitts; Imitation Fruits; Water boxes, and a variety of Sundries.

TO THE LADIES OF HONGKONG. HOLMES & BIGHAM beg to announce having just landed a large and excellent assortment of Swiss Muslin dress pieces, well adapted to summer wear, of which they invite inspection.

FOR SALE AT MR RUTHERFURD'S THE HONGKONG ALMANACK AND DIRECTORY FOR 1848, with Plan of and Index to the Town of Victoria, &c.

SHIPPING ARTICLES, according to the receipt at (Victoria 7 & 8) for sale at this Office "Friend of China."

BILLS OF LADING FOR THE OVERLAND ROUTE. FOR sale at this office, for one of bills of lading for goods or specie shipped by the P. & O. Company's Steam packets.

FOR SALE.—At the Office of this paper, Consignments cheque books. These are issued with an abstract of the merchant's name entered on the back.

THE LAST AND BEST.—A correspondent of the New York Spirit of the Times says, that Sam Laughton's last is right good. A chap, walking out, came across an Old Man, sitting in the boiling sun, fahing "Well Moss, 'an' he bid, 'what in the world are you doing there?' 'Piffin.' 'What?' 'Piffin.' 'Fishing I will, what's the reason you can't talk? what's in your mouth?' 'Oh, nuffin but worms for bait!'"

COMING TO IT BY DEGREES.—A young man who served in the ranks during the late battles in Mexico, writing home, says,—"At the National Brigade we had a skirmish with the enemy, the first fight I ever had the pleasure of being engaged in. My feelings at the first fire for I am unable to describe. I didn't feel inclined to run, yet was afraid to fire, for I should kill somebody, but after two or three rounds it was all over, and I fled away with the rest of them."

THE TWO EMPRESSSES OF FRANCE.—In the "Revue de la Captivité de Napoléon à Sainte-Hélène," by General Montholon, the following characters of the two Empresses is given, as from Napoleon himself:—"Their characters were diametrically opposite. Never were there two women less like each other. Josephine had all the traces of innocence. When I married her she was a truly Louisian had all the timidity of innocence. Josephine would sacrifice millions upon her toilet and her liberalities. Maria Louisa, on the contrary, economised her toilet and I was obliged to scold her in order to induce her to make what she expended consistent with her rank. Josephine was devoted to me; she loved me tenderly—no one ever had a preference to me in her heart. I united her the first time—her children the next. And she was right, for she was the being whom I most loved, and the remembrance of her is still all powerful in my mind."

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Table with columns: Ship, At, Tons, Masters, Consignees. Includes arrivals from Hongkong, Canton, and other ports.

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