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FOR ENGLAND, CALCUTTA, MADRAS, BOMBAY, Also, on route to the above, SINGAPORE, PENANG, GALLE, MALTA, SUEZ, ADEN, COLOMBO, COCHIN, CALCUTTA, CANNANORE, MANGALORE, GOA, VISAPORA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY'S STEAMSHIP BRAGANZA, will leave this for the above places on Thursday the 25th of May.

Cargo will be received on board until Noon, and Space until 4 P. M., of the 24th.

FIRST CLASS GENERAL PASSAGE.

To Singapore	\$ 144
" Penang	108
" Ceylon	298
" Madras	365
" Calcutta and Bombay	451
" Suez	843
" Aden (Transit through Egypt) included	768
" England, do do do	792

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage apply at the P. & O. S. N. Company's Office, Hongkong.

J. A. OLDING, Agent. Hongkong, 27th April, 1848.

NOTICE. The P. & O. S. N. Company's, will from this date undertake the conveyance of Goods 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 SALE. MARINE LOT No. 12, situated on the Queen's Road, Victoria, with the Buildings thereon, at present in possession of the undersigned. Also, the allotment of Land, and Buildings at Shanghai, known as the NIXON Property. For Plans, and full particulars, apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Canton, 2nd February, 1848.

TO LET. Godowns and dwelling houses, built by the late and lately occupied by Messrs. HOLLIDAY & Co. The property is situated in the Town, (Victoria, Hongkong) and is of a fine frontage. Apply on the Premises, or to

SYME, MOIR & Co. THOMAS RIPLEY & Co. Shanghai.

TO LET. The Building on the Queen's Road, known as the Keying House. Also a Bungalow in Aberdeen Street. Apply to

BUSH & Co. Hongkong, 21st January, 1847.

PROPERTY IN SHANGHAI.

FOR SALE.—The allotment of Land with spacious Godowns and Dwelling Houses erected thereon, at present in possession of the Undersigned; for further particulars apply to Messrs RAWLE, DUUS & Co., Hongkong or

PLATT, HARGREAVES & Co. Shanghai. 4th March, 1848.

COMMERCIAL HONGKONG, 31st May, 1848.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned will dispose of Bills on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, at 80 days sight, to the extent required for the public service, on the terms most favourable to Government that may be proposed.

Sealed Tenders for this purpose will be received at this office until Monday the 16th inst. at noon. The Tenders to be marked on the outside,

"Tender for Bills."

F. S. CARPENTER, D. A. C. G.

NOTICE. The partnership heretofore existing under the style of TRINA, BOURNE & Co. expired this day by limitation; the affairs of the house will be wound up by ROBERT P. DE SILVER.

ROBERT P. DE SILVER, H. F. BOURNE, Surviving Partners. Canton, 1st September, 1847.

NOTICE. The Business heretofore conducted in China under the Firm of VANBUREN, ROMANOWSKY & Co. is this day dissolved.

Messrs REYNOLDS & Co. are authorized to sign for the Liquidation. Canton, 1st February, 1848.

NOTICE. MR. SPENCER COMPTON is authorized to sign our Firm by Procuration. CHA. SP. COMPTON & Co. Hongkong, 28th February, 1848.

NOTICE. MR. CHARLES MELVILLE DONALDSON is admitted a Partner in our Business, his interest and responsibility having commenced on the 1st January, 1848. The business will be carried on under the name of RICHARDS & Co.

P. M. RICHARDS, C. M. DONALDSON.

We beg to give notice that Mr. RICHARD RAWLINS PARVEY ceased to be in our employ from the 8th February, 1848.

RICHARDS & Co. Shanghai, 8th February, 1848.

NOTICE. MR. JAMES WILKINGTON, is authorized to sign our firm in CHINA by procuration. REISS & Co. Canton, 24th March, 1848.

NOTICE. The Copartnership heretofore existing between the Subscriber, under the style of DRINKER, HEYL & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

S. DRINKER is authorized to settle all Accounts of the Firm.

SANDWITH DRINKER, WILLIAM S. HEYL. Hongkong, 1st April, 1848.

NOTICE. The Undersigned will continue the Agency and GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS, under the style of DRINKER & Co., at the place of Business lately occupied by DRINKER, HEYL & Co. Goods taken on Storage at reasonable charges, landed and transhipped on account of parties absent.

SANDWITH DRINKER, WILLIAM S. HEYL. Hongkong, 1st April, 1848.

NOTICE. MR. N. I. INGOLS is authorized to sign for us by Procuration from this date.

DRINKER & Co. Hongkong, May 1st, 1848.

NOTICE. ALL claims against the Estate of JOHN PARK, 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 Administrator. Victoria, 17th January, 1848.

THE HONGKONG AND CANTON STEAM PACKET COMPANY.

PERSONS desirous of holding SHARES in the Company are requested to apply without delay either to Mr CAMPBELL in Hongkong, or to Mr D. JARDINE in Canton. Hongkong, 8th April, 1848.

FOR SALE. A PRINTING PRESS with an ample supply of Type, Merchant Marks, and all Apparatus requisite for a Newspaper Office, or any other Printing Establishment. All new.

JAMESON, HOW & Co. Hongkong, 2nd May, 1848.

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

FOR SALE. BANCA TIN. Apply to, OLYPHANT & Co., Canton, 14th August, 1847.

HORSES FOR SALE. AT the Auctioneers MARY QUAY'S ROAD. Two splendid Horses Warranted Sound and quiet to ride or drive.

One well Bred Sydney Gelding Iron Grey. The other a very superior Grey Arab, also a pair of Carriage ponies, for particulars apply on the premises. Victoria, 9th May, 1848.

NOTICE. PARTIES keeping a Book for Lox at the Ice House, and taking it through the Season, will be supplied from this date, at the Rate of 3 Cents per lb. The price to those taking it irregularly will be 4 Cents per lb.

The Ice will be delivered in quantities over 25 lbs. from 4 to 8 A. M. in less amount during all hours of the day.

A few Refrigerators or Boxes adapted for preserving Ice left, which can be had on application at the Ice House.

DRINKER & Co. Hongkong, 25th April, 1848.

FOR SALE. AMERICAN MESS Beef and Pork, just landed. Pickled Tongues, in half Barrels. Fresh American Flour, of the "Gallego," "Richmond City Mill," and "Haxell" Brands.

Kennedy's Boston Water Crackers, in Tins. Superior American Butter. American Navy and Pilot Bread 600 New bright Barrel Muskets, with Bayonets and Fixtures complete.

Whitcher's Tallow Soap. Sperm Candles 4s, 5s, and 6s. Manila and Europe Ropes of assorted Sizes.

Manila Segars, of New Brands, Nos. 1, 2, and 3. Java and Manila Coffee. Platform and Counter Scales.

Writing and Copying Ink, in Quarts and Pints. Tobacco. White Lead and Paints, of all descriptions.

Paint Oil and Brushes. A general assortment of Naval Stores.

ALSO. Licenses: Superior, Brandy, Dark and Pale, of the following Brands, in Wood and Bottle.—Ottard, Dupuy & Co.; J. J. Dupuy & Co.; Alex. Seignette; Jago, Hannesey; Dulry, Bellamy & Co. Common French Brandy, in 1 dozen Cases; Manila Rum.

Wines.—Scott, Penfold & Co.'s Madeira; Hurie & Nephews' superior Pale Sherry. Geog. V. Sherry, Duff, Gordon & Co. 1825. Pure Dry Lisbon.

Old London Dock & Osborn's Table Port. Claret.—Chateau Laeville, and St Juliens. Champagne, of superior quality.

Joe Lang & Co.'s Steinberger Cabinet Hock. Cherry Brandy, in Wood.

AND A General Assortment of Hardware suitable for the South Sea Islands.

DRINKER & Co. Hongkong, 21st April, 1848.

FOR SALE. BOWRA, HUMPHREYS & Co., Ship Chandlery, Wine and Spirit Merchants, Auctioneers, and General Storekeepers, have just received per Queen, Invoices of superior French Brandy; Dark and Pale Brandy; Superior Sherry; Stationery of all descriptions; Percussion Muskets; Carabines and Pistols; Tar, Canvas and Rope; Dunbar's Bone and Porter; Cheese; Hams; Paint Brushes; Hoze Brushes, and Wash Leathers.

ALSO, A well selected Invoice of all description of Ship Chandlery; Hauging Lumps; Iron and Tin Ware. Hongkong, 5th May, 1848.

PUBLIC AUCTION. MESSRS BOWRA, HUMPHREYS & Co. are directed to sell on Friday the 12th instant, at Naval Stores West Point, a quantity of condensed Stores as per Hand bills.—Sale to commence at 11 A. M.

Victoria, 9th May, 1848.

GRAM. JUST landed a few Bags of fine Bengal Grain and Java Coffee.

FRANKLYN & MILNE. Victoria, 5th May, 1848.

SHIP CHANDLERS STORES. And supplies of every description required for Ships 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 STRODGE with water frontage.

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

FOR SALE. WILTON Market Beef, in 2 Barrels; Columbia River Salmon, in 2 and 4 Cases; Columbia Beef, in 2 Barrels, all suitable for families.

Fresh Sardines, in Oil and Butter; Bologna Sausages; Vegetables in Tins, such as Asparagus, Kidney Beans, Green Peas, &c., &c.

ALSO. Very Superior Hock, of different Brands; Sicilian, Claret, and other Light Wines, at moderate prices.

SMITH & BRIMELOW, No. 1 & 2 Woodman's Buildings, Victoria, 22nd April, 1848.

SMITH & BRIMELOW have received a large supply of Dutch and American Butter, in 16 lbs. Kegs, of superior quality, and which they can highly recommend.

No. 1 & 2 Woodman's Buildings, Victoria, 22nd April, 1848.

FOR SALE. PRIME Columbia River Beef in Cases, and Columbia River Salmon, in Tins.

ALSO. Paint Oil in Demijohns.

SMITH & BRIMELOW, No. 1, Woodman's Buildings, Victoria, 22nd February, 1848.

HOCK AND SELTZER WATER. BY a late arrival the undersigned have received from Germany a consignment of Hock (1822) in 1 and 4 dozen Cases. Also, Seltzer water in Baskets of 2 dozen pint stone bottles. Prices moderate.

RAWLE, DUUS & Co. Victoria, 4th April, 1848.

FOR SALE. SALT Provisions, Flour, Rum, Arrack, and all 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.

ADVERTISEMENT. FOR SALE at MR RUTHERFORD'S—

THE HONGKONG ALMANACK AND DIRECTORY FOR 1848; with PLAN of and INDEX to the Town of Victoria, &c.

Price \$24. Victoria, 3rd March, 1848.

JUST landed and for Sale at C. MARKWICK'S, Queen's Road,—

Port Wine, in Cases of 3 dozen each. St Etienne, in cases of 3 dozen each. Claret, in cases of 3 dozen each. Sauterne, in cases of 3 dozen each. Sparkling Champagne, in cases of 3 dozen each. Noyeau, in cases of 2 dozen each. Geneva, in cases of 1 dozen each, from Hemery, Brothers & Co. London.

ALSO, Marzette's Pale Ale, in Cases of 8 dozen each. PRIMA XONALATA.

And some very elegant Dinner, Dessert, and Breakfast Services, of the newest fashion; Fancy Water Jugs, with and without Metal Tops, of various patterns.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1847.

DUTCH BUTTER. NOW landing and ready for sale 160 Kegs of really good Dutch Butter 88 per cwt, at the Stores of the undersigned.

J. INESS. Queen's Road opposite Chiam's Hong. Victoria, 9th May, 1848.

MRS. INESS is landing Ex Queen from London direct

Jars of Trips. Small Kegs of Pickled Herrings. Small Cheddar Cheese 5 & 6 lb. each very fine. York Hams. Boxes of Raisins.

Jars of Zante Currants. Jars of Prunes. Red Herrings in Tins. Pastes of all kinds.

Tins of patent Groats and Arrow-Root. With Bottled Beer, Port, Claret, Sherry, Champagne.

ALSO. Hennessy's Brandy in wood. A few small rounds of Beef pickled to order.

Queen's Road, Victoria, 9th May, 1848.

NOTICE. FARRIERY corner of Wellington and Wyndham Street, Victoria.

MR. DUDDLE begs to inform the community of Hongkong, that he has engaged an English Horse Shoer, and will open a Ferriery in all his branches on the above premises on the 1st of May next; and in confidence that the moderate charge of \$14 per Horse together with attention and despatch, will procure him a share of public Patronage.

Victoria, 28th April, 1848.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY. A YOUNG MAN qualified to dispense Medicines. Apply at the VICTORIA DISPENSARY, 17th April, 1848.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY, POTTER'S STREET.

SODA WATER and LEMONADE of Superior Quality. MADAO, at HINNAM'S, China Shopkeeper, Victoria, 11th June, 1847.

HONGKONG DISPENSARY, Queen's Road, Victoria.

SODA WATER, AERATED LEMONADE, SELTZER WATER, these from

ALSO. BEST at GARDNER'S. ACHOOK—Canton, 21st February, 1848.



(The Witness delivered in the same, which is as follows:)

Table with columns: Date of Shipment, Name, Number of Pieces, Invoice Amount, When Sold, Net Proceeds, Exchange. Includes entries for Eleanor Russell, Charlotte, Charles Jones, and New Margaret.

From this Paper it appears that the goods would, at the exchange of the day, have sold for 1,401. 2s. 10d. But instead of getting bills, we were obliged to send him tea from China; and he was so disgusted with the result, that he wrote out to our friends abroad to insist that they should only sell for cash.

(The Witness delivered in the Paper, which is as follows:)

Table with columns: Date of Shipment, Name, Price, Invoice Amount, When Sold, Net Proceeds, Exchange. Includes entries for Charles Jones, John Horton, and New Margaret.

It appears from this Paper, that the merchant, at the exchange of the day, would receive 18,588. 18s. 9d. for goods which cost him only 17,820. 1s. leaving a profit of 1,038. 18s. 9d.

(The Witness delivered in the Paper, which is as follows:)

Table titled 'PARTICULARS OF SALES AND RETURNS OF A SHIPMENT PER FLORA, CAPTAIN HONGO, FROM LIVERPOOL TO CHINA, PART RETURNED FROM WHAMPON, PER SARAH LOUISA, FOR A BETTER MARKET IN SHANGHAI, AND SOLD AT SHANGHAI.' Includes columns for Bill, Tea, Loss, Returns, and Exchange.

All charges, including insurance and interest at the rate of 6 1/2 p. a. included. At the exchange of the day the loss of goods would have been 187. 10s., but instead of that, they got returns in tea...

(The Witness delivered in the Paper, which is as follows:)

1. Return on the Trade of Fow Chow, by Consul Acock, 13 June 1845.—Returns, &c., 1847. The Chinese traders stated that a barrier trade would be most desirable, and that it could be supplied for their purposes...

Chairman.—Is that from Surat?—Yes, largely of Surat cotton from Bombay; but also to some extent from Bengal and Madras. It is not very inferior to their own?—Yes, it is inferior in quality, being very short staple.

Mr Moffatt.—It was not within your knowledge that the production of tea in Java has materially increased since 1839?—No. Mr Beckett.—Have you any doubt of the power of the Chinese to produce any quantity of tea?—Not the slightest; whenever we have wanted tea, we have always got it.

(The Witness delivered in the same, which is as follows:)

Table titled 'DUTIES IN CHINA.' Columns: Description of Goods, Old Duty, Present Duty. Includes items like Shirting, Prints, Spanish stripes, Long ells, Iron bar, Blankets, Yarn, Tea, Silk, and Sugar.

Tonnage dues, register ton (half of former duties) 0 5 0 0 0 70. I will now lay before the Committee that result of actual shipments of woollens from one of our friends to China, from 1842 to the end of 1845.

Table with columns: Date of Shipment, Vessel's Name, Description of Goods, Cost price in England, Net Amount of Sale, Exchange. Includes entries for Nautilus, Chiostain, George Buokham, John Dalton, Magnolia, Canopus, Thomas Lowry, Tapley, Mary Ann Webb, Bahamian, Euphrates, Charles Jones, Marmion, and others.

THE MINT. (From the Daily News.)

We believe there now a probability of a sweeping reform being applied to the mintage, and the expensive establishment called the Mint. The advantages of the Parliamentary Committee appointed by the Session of 1837, and the general inefficiency of a similar body in a work requiring minute attention, patient industry, and practical knowledge, has suggested the idea of a Commission appointed by the Crown for this special purpose.

