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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,"

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

By Order,

W. T. MERCER, *Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 1st July, 1855.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Diplomatic Department.

His Excellency Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Superintendent of British Trade in China is pleased to notify, that The Right Honorable The Earl of Clarendon, K.G., has appointed FREDERICK HARVEY, Esq., late Secretary and Registrar to Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and the Superintendent of British Trade in China, to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul at Shanghai.

By Order,

W. WOODGATE.

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 2d July, 1855.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Diplomatic Department.

His Excellency Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Superintendent of British Trade in China, is pleased to notify the appointment of THOMAS FRANCIS WADE, Esq., to the Secretaryship in this Superintendency, with the pleasure of Her Majesty's Government, to the said Superintendency.

By Order,

W. WOODGATE.

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 6th July, 1855.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Diplomatic Department.

His Excellency the Chief Superintendent of Trade has received copy of a Proclamation issued by His Excellency WANG, the Governor General of Fuh-keen and Cheang, stating it has come to his knowledge that Female Children have been bought at Ningpo for the purpose of being shipped to Foreign Countries, and that it is his duty to prohibit the practice. And His Excellency the Viceroy farther desires the co-operation of the Representatives of Foreign Nations to put an end to a practice so degrading and inhuman. The Viceroy announces that he will punish those who disobey his Proclamation with the utmost rigor of the Law. His Excellency the Chief Superintendent of Trade hereby gives notice, that any persons who shall engage in the Illegal Traffic of purchasing Chinese Females, expose themselves to the penalties provided under the Anti-Slavery Act; and Orders will

be given to Her Majesty's Authorities in China to enforce those penalties against the Subjects of Her Majesty.

By Order,

W. WOODGATE.

Superintendency of Trade, Victoria, Hongkong, 6th July, 1855.

No. 1.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

In consequence of Instructions from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies having reference to the Government of Hongkong and its Dependencies, it is hereby intimated, that the Government Notification of 15th April, 1854, first in order in the *Gazette* of 22d April, 1854, is withdrawn from this date, and that all Communications to Government in matters concerning this Colony are in future to be addressed to the Colonial Secretary, for submission to His Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 25th June, 1855.

No. 2.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The Reverend JOHN JAMES IRWIN, having this day reported his arrival in the Colony, is appointed Colonial Chaplain of Hongkong, by virtue of a Warrant under the Royal Sign Manual; and assumes accordingly the duties of his Office from this date.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 30th June, 1855.

No. 3.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, that a Sale by Public Auction of Crown Lands on Leases will be held on the ground

to be sold on Monday the Ninth day of July, 1855, the sale to commence at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

The following descriptive statement of the Lots to be offered at the Sale is published for general information.

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria,
Hongkong, 30th June, 1855.

Schedule of Lots of Land proposed to be sold by Public Auction
on Monday, the 9th July, 1855.

ORDER OF SALE.	LOCALITY.	BOUNDARY MEASUREMENT.				CONTENT IN SQUARE FEET.	FIXED ANNUAL RENT.
		N.	S.	E.	W.		
1	N. of Hospital Hill.	50	50	50	50	2,500	£9 1 6
2	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
3	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
4	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
5	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
6	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
7	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
8	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
9	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
10	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
11	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
12	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6
13	"	50	50	50	50	2,500	9 1 6

WILLIAM COWPER,
Assistant Surveyor, for the Surveyor General.

No. 4.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency The Governor has received a Despatch from The Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies,

calling his attention to the great importance which Majesty's Government attaches to the acquirement of Chinese Language by all Functionaries in the Public Service in this Colony: and His Excellency is instructed to consider that in claims for promotion, a knowledge of Chinese may be considered as a recommendation to the favourable consideration of the Authorities.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

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

No. 5.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Whereas it has been represented by the Imperial Authorities at Shanghai to His Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-Chief, that Chinese Subjects, not having lawful business in that port or neighbourhood, are conveyed thither in considerable numbers by Vessels frequenting this Colony, for the purpose of creating disturbances and troubling the public peace: It is hereby recommended to parties who shall convey Chinamen to any Northern Passage, to exercise due caution, and institute due enquiry into the character and objects of the individuals who apply for Passages, so that no umbrage may be given to the Chinese Authorities, and no risk incurred by the Vessels taking aboard such Chinamen as Passengers.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria,
Hongkong, 6th July, 1855.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE undersigned have received instructions to dispose of by PUBLIC AUCTION, on THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at their Sale Rooms, Queen's Road, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the benefit of the concerned,—

SS } Nos. 30, 64, 68, and 78,—4 Chests of
NPO, } NEW PATNA; and
SS } Nos. 35, 87, and 85,—3 Chests of BE-
NBO, } NARES.
ex "Covasjee Family."

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery, in MEXICAN Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

SMITH & BRIMELOW,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 7th July, 1855.

SMITH & BRIMELOW,

SHIP CHANDLERS,

Wholesale and Retail Wine and Spirit Merchants,
Auctioneers, and Commission Agents,
Nos. 1 & 2 Woosnam's Buildings,

HAVE always on hand an Assortment of SHIP CHANDLERY STORES of every kind.

Also,

An extensive and well-selected supply of WINES, BEER, and SPIRITS, LIQUEURS, CORDIALS, &c., of a superior description.

OILMAN'S STORES from the well known house of Copland, Barnes & Co.; also, STORES per Overland Mail Steamers Monthly for domestic purposes.
Hongkong, 7th July, 1855.

PER P. & O. STEAMER "GANGES."

OVERLAND HAMS, CHEESE, MUSCATEL RAISINS, MARASCHINO and CURACAO.
SMITH & BRIMELOW.

Nos. 1 & 2 Woosnam's Buildings,
Hongkong, 7th July, 1855.

JUST RECEIVED.

AN Invoice of CUTLERY, ELECTRO-PLATED-WARE, NICKEL-SILVER, BRITANNIA METAL TEAPOTS, STONE JUGS, DRAM OF POCKET FLASKS, and CARPENTERS' TOOLS.

SMITH & BRIMELOW.

Hongkong, 7th July, 1855.

NOTICE.

MR JAMES CRAMPTON is authorized to sign our Firm per procuracy from this date.

HANBURY & Co.

Shanghai, 10th May, 1855.

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 GANGES, Captain BOWEN, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo for the above Places, will leave this on TUESDAY, the 10th July, at 2 P.M.

CARGO will be received on board until 5 P.M. on the 8th, SPECIE until Noon on the 9th, and PARCELS until 2 P.M. on the 9th.

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 in such declaration.

ROBERT S. WALKER,
Superintendent.

Peninsular & Oriental
Steam Navigation Company's Office,
Hongkong, 28th June, 1855.

NOTICE.

WE have established Mr WILLIAM HAMMOND FOSTER, Jr., in Hongkong, as Agent for our Houses in Canton, Shanghai, and Foochow; and all Business to his address comes under our control and guarantee.

RUSSELL & Co.

Canton, 1st July, 1855.

TO LET.

A Large and Commodious HOUSE, at the corner of D'Agular and Wellington Streets, with extensive GODOWN and OUT-HOUSES. Entrance may be had immediately. For particulars, apply to

D. LAPRAIK.

Hongkong, 21st June, 1855.

NOTICE.

BY Order of the CONSULAR DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN OFFICE AT COPENHAGEN, it is notified, that Applications to fill the Vacant Appointment of the Office of DANISH CONSUL at Hongkong, will be received by said Department until 15th October, 1855.

FRED. H. BLOCH
Acting Danish Consul

Danish Consulate, Hongkong,
2d July, 1855.

NOTICE.

MR THOMAS D. BOYD is authorized to sign our Firm.

F. D. SYME & Co.

Amoy, 12th May, 1855.

NOTICE.

MR K. NEWBOLT, Surgeon Dentist, has just returned from London and Paris, with all the latest Improvements in supplying ARTIFICIAL MINERAL, and in stopping DECAYED, TEETH, &c. He will be consulted, personally or by letter, at Mr. LAPRAIK'S.
Hongkong, 29th June, 1855.

NOTICE.

SHIPPERS of Goods to California, during the Years 1848, 1849, and 1850, may hear something to their advantage by calling upon the undersigned.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1854.

FOR SALE,

just landed ex Faithful.

AN Invoice of Crosse & Blackwell's OILMAN'S STORES, consisting of,—

PICKLES, SAUCES, JAMS and JELLIES, OLIVE CAPERS, Potted MEATS, Soyer's RELISH, SALT OIL, MUSTARD, TART-FRUITS, MACCARONI, VEGETABLE CELLI, Dried HERBS, Yarmouth BLOATERS, SARDINES, Wiltshire BACON, Fresh SALMON, PRESERVED MEATS, Berkley CHEESE in Tins, Fork HAMS, FRUIT PLUMS, &c., &c.

DE SILVER & Co.

Hongkong, 9th June, 1855.

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