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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

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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, 2d July, 1855.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Return of Notes in Circulation and Specie in Reserve at the Bank of the Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, is published for general information.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, 16th July, 1855.

The Average amount of Notes in Circulation at the Bank of the Oriental Bank Corporation in Hongkong for the Month ending 31st May, 1855, rendered in accordance with the Terms of Her Majesty's Royal Charter of Incorporation.

NOTES ISSUED.....\$116,443.

Exclusive of the Notes of the Oriental Bank still outstanding.

Colonial Bank Corporation, Hongkong, 1st June, 1855.

(Signed,)

SAM: GRAY,  
Manager.

The Books and Treasure of the above Corporation were this day inspected by me, and the Amount exhibited accorded with the Charter.

R. RIENAECKER,  
Colonial Treasurer.

the 15th, 1855.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Diplomatic Department.

His Excellency Her Britannic Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of Trade, &c., &c., is hereby notified, that the Returns of the BRITISH TRADE at the PORT OF CANTON for the Year ending December, 1854, published in the Hongkong Government Gazette of 5th May last, having been found to be incorrect, are cancelled, and the following amended Returns are published in their stead for general information.

By Order,

W. WOODGATE.

Victoria, Hongkong, 2d July, 1855.

A RETURN of the Number and Tonnage of MERCHANT VESSELS which Arrived at, and Departed from, the PORT OF CANTON, during the Year ending 31st December, 1854, distinguishing the Countries to which they belong.

ARRIVED.			DEPARTED.		
UNDER WHAT COLOURS.	NO. OF SHIPS.	TONNAGE.	UNDER WHAT COLOURS.	NO. OF SHIPS.	TONNAGE.
...	137	68,795	British, ...	136	69,030
...	65	45,690	American, ...	60	43,137
...	5	1,934	Bremen, ...	5	1,934
...	3	1,483	Chilian, ...	3	1,483
...	4	1,753	Chinese, ...	4	1,753
...	11	2,589	Danish, ...	11	2,661
...	23	10,427	Dutch, ...	23	10,687
...	3	866	French, ...	2	526
...	15	3,274	Hamburgh, ...	15	3,325
...	2	328	Mexican, ...	2	328
...	1	672	New Grenada, ...	1	672
...	1	144	Oldenberg, ...	1	144
...	18	6,268	Peruvian, ...	11	3,588
...	6	1,925	Portuguese, ...	5	1,677
...	1	650	Prussian, ...	1	650
...	21	6,344	Siamese, ...	1	1,000
...	4	1,015	Spanish, ...	21	6,120
...			Swedish, ...	4	1,015
	320	154,167		306	149,711

No. 2.—A STATEMENT exhibiting the MOVEMENT OF BRITISH SHIPPING in the Trade with the PORT OF CANTON, during the 1854; distinguishing British and Country Ships; and shewing the Number and Tonnage of British Vessels at Whampoa 31st December, 1854.

PLACES AND PORTS.	ARRIVED.						DEPARTED.						SUMMARY.
	BRITISH.		COUNTRY.		TOTAL.		BRITISH.		COUNTRY.		TOTAL.		
	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	
London, ...	6	2,881	...	...	6	2,881	25	14,493	...	...	25	14,493	<i>Entered.</i> British 90 Vessels 48,293 Country 47 " 19,715 Total, 137 " 68,008  <i>Cleared.</i> British 89 Vessels 48,293 Country 47 " 20,757 Total, 136 " 69,050  <i>Of which number entered in Ballast.</i> British 26 Vessels 12,100 Country 20 " 5,730 Total, 46 " 17,830  <i>Cleared in Ballast.</i> British 18 Vessels 11,100 Country 10 " 4,400 Total, 28 " 15,500  <i>Remaining at Whampoa 31st December, 1854.</i> British 5 Vessels 2,710 Country 2 " 320 Total, 7 " 3,030
Liverpool, ...	5	2,067	...	...	5	2,067	12	4,789	1	281	13	5,070	
Bombay, ...	25	18,690	9	6,720	34	25,410	2	1,039	12	9,202	14	10,241	
Calcutta, ...	3	1,695	8	3,938	11	5,633	1	778	10	3,710	11	4,488	
Tuticorin, ...	2	1,460	1	734	3	2,194	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Hongkong, ...	24	10,677	9	3,117	33	13,794	11	6,767	4	1,735	15	8,502	
Amoy, ...	2	867	1	367	3	1,234	6	3,692	7	1,756	13	5,448	
Fuhchau, ...	1	95	...	...	1	95	5	2,129	...	...	5	2,129	
Ningpo, ...	...	...	1	110	1	110	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Shanghai, ...	...	...	2	436	2	436	12	8,276	3	726	15	9,002	
Singapore, ...	11	5,137	8	2,460	19	7,597	1	299	1	367	2	666	
Arracan, ...	1	420	...	...	1	420	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Batavia, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	573	1	573	...	
Lombok, ...	1	236	...	...	1	236	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Macassar, ...	1	419	...	...	1	419	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Manila, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1,548	...	...	3	1,548	
Siam, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	826	1	826	...	
Algoa Bay, ...	...	...	1	99	1	99	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Cape Town, ...	...	...	1	220	1	220	...	...	2	319	2	319	
Hobart Town, ...	...	...	1	229	1	229	1	211	1	229	2	440	
Melbourne, ...	1	911	2	535	3	1,446	1	406	2	470	3	876	
Sydney, ...	2	901	2	614	4	1,515	5	2,332	2	563	7	2,895	
Hamburgh, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	707	...	...	2	707	
Halifax, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	408	...	...	1	408	
New York, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	419	...	...	1	419	
Van Couver's Island, ...	1	277	...	...	1	277	...	...	...	...	...	...	
San Francisco, ...	1	739	...	...	1	739	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Callao, ...	1	925	...	...	1	925	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Eromango, ...	...	...	1	136	1	136	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Isle of Pines, ...	1	363	...	...	1	363	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Sandwich Islands, ...	1	320	...	...	1	320	...	...	...	...	...	...	
<b>Total, .....</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>49,080</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>19,715</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>68,795</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>48,293</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>20,757</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>69,050</b>	

No. 3.—A RETURN of the Quantities and Value of MERCHANDISE IMPORTED AT CANTON, in 91 British Vessels of 50,818 and 38 Steamers and Lorchas of 9,807 Tons, from the Countries and Places undermentioned, during the Year 1854.

NO. IN TARIFF.	DENOMINATION OF ARTICLES.	QUANTITIES.	FROM WHAT COUNTRIES AND PLACES IMPORTED.	ESTIMATED VALUE DOLLARS.
3	Betel Nut, ...	Piculs 3,204	Straits, India, Great Britain, South Seas	2,710
4	Bicho de Mar, ...	" 327		
5	Bird's Nests, ...	" 12		
7	Cloves, ...	" 1,332		
12	Raw Cotton, ...	" 324,771		
14	Cotton Yarn, ...	" 1,869		
16	Cutch, ...	" 633		
18	Fish Maws, ...	" 1,677		
19	Flints, ...	" 3,746		
20	Glassware and Glass, ...	Value \$2,000		
24	Gum Olibanum, ...	Piculs 1,338		
	" Unenumerated, ...	" 2,211		
29	Mother-o'-pearl shells, ...	" 108		
30	Nail-rod iron, ...	" 2,230		
	Iron unmanufactured, ...	" 1,225		
	" manufactured, ...	" 153		
	Copper manufactured, ...	" 9		
	Lead, ...	" 3,012		
	Quicksilver, ...	" 82		
	Steel, ...	" 150		
	Tin, ...	" 24		
	Tin Plates, ...	" 241		
32	Pepper, ...	" 308		
33	Putchuck, ...	" 988		
34	Rattans, ...	" 3,929		
35	Rice, ...	" 104,245		
38	Sharkfins, ...	" 6,200		
46	Sapan Wood, ...	" 664		
	Ebony, ...	" 1,466		
	Sandal Wood, ...	" 13,631		
13	Long Cloths, ...	" 4,358		
	" Grey, ...	" 5,030		
	Twilled Cottons, ...	" 6,260		
	Chintz, ...	" 330		
	Handkerchiefs, (number,) ...	Pieces 5,700		
	Dyed Cottons, ...	" 960		
	Cotton Velvet, ...	" 72		
47	WOOLLENS:—		Great Britain, India, Straits	1,200
	Bombazettes, ...	Changes 2,870		
	Camle's, ...	" 1,200		
	Long Ells, ...	" 504		
	Spanish Stripes, ...	" 500		
	Narrow Woollens, ...	" 600		
	Wine, Beer, &c., ...	\$12,000	Great Britain, Singapore, Hong-kong	1,200
	MISCELLANEOUS.—Agar, Gambier, Horns, Nail, Hides, ...			
	Yellow Metal, Soap, Coral, Carpets, Bark, Pulse, ...	\$12,400		
	Sago, ...			
	<b>Total Value of Imports in British Ships, ...</b>			\$12,400
	<b>Equal at Exchange of 4/9 per Dollar, to, ...</b>			£1,200

REMARKS.—The above Return exhibits the Quantities and Values of Merchandise which were entered at the Custom House and paid Import Duty during the year 1854, (corrected in some cases from other sources of information.) The Weights stated are those in use at Canton. 1 Catty is equal to 1½ Pounds Avoirdupois, and 1 Picul (or 100 Catties) corresponds with 133½ English. 1 Catty is equal to 16 Ounces. The Values given have been computed on the average prices of the year in the Canton Markets; and where this has been found impracticable, an approximate value has been substituted. The reduction of Dollars into Sterling has been made at the average Exchange for the Year of 4/9 per Dollar.

REMARKS during the Year 1854. The Value of the Merchandise imported from the various Countries and Places undermentioned, during the Year 1854, is as follows:—

No.	Country or Place.	Value in Dollars.
1	Great Britain	1,200
2	India	1,200
3	Straits	1,200
4	China	1,200
5	Japan	1,200
6	Amoy	1,200
7	Hongkong	1,200
8	Singapore	1,200
9	Algoa Bay	1,200
10	Cape Town	1,200
11	Hobart Town	1,200
12	Melbourne	1,200
13	Sydney	1,200
14	Hamburgh	1,200
15	Halifax	1,200
16	New York	1,200
17	Van Couver's Island	1,200
18	San Francisco	1,200
19	Callao	1,200
20	Eromango	1,200
21	Isle of Pines	1,200
22	Sandwich Islands	1,200
23	Other Countries	1,200
24	Total	12,000

A RETURN of the Quantities and Value of MERCHANDISE EXPORTED from the PORT OF CANTON, in 108 British Vessels of 206 Tons, and 38 Steamers and Small Craft of 9,807 Tons, to the Countries and Places undermentioned, during the Year 1854.

DENOMINATION OF ARTICLES.	QUANTITIES.		TO WHAT COUNTRIES AND PLACES EXPORTED.	ESTIMATED VALUE IN DOLLARS.
Star Aniseed, ...	Piculs	1,387	India, Europe, Shanghai	20,705
Aniseed Oil, ...	"	12	Great Britain	1,000
Bangles and Glassware, ...	"	857	India	6,650
Bamboo and Rattanware, ...	"	806	All parts	11,500
Brass Leaf and Tin Foil, ...	"	16	India	250
Bone and Ivory ware, ...	"	4	England and Australia	600
Camphor, ...	"	500	"	12,500
Canes, ...	Number	420,000	All parts	8,400
Cassia, ...	Piculs	4,085	Great Britain and India	81,700
" Buds, ...	"	127	"	3,500
" Oil, ...	"	45	"	9,000
China Root, ...	"	77	India	200
China ware, ...	"	1,000	All parts	20,000
Copper and Pewter ware, ...	"	400	"	10,400
Crackers and Fireworks, ...	"	1,777	"	14,216
Fans of all kinds, ...	"	50	"	2,600
Galangal, ...	"	397	India	1,786
Glass Beads, ...	"	283	"	4,245
Glue, ...	"	177	India, Great Britain	885
Glass Cloth, ...	"	39	"	6,000
Hartall, ...	"	29	Shanghai	600
Kittysols, ...	"	728	India, Australia	1,456
Lacquered ware, ...	"	283	India, England	14,150
Marble Slabs, ...	"	696	India, Australia	1,392
Mats and Matting, ...	"	11,657	All parts	34,971
Mother-o'-pearl ware, ...	"	1	Australia	160
Pictures, ...	Number	232	India and Australia	2,000
Paper, ...	Piculs	2,047	All parts	8,500
Preserves, ...	"	3,668	"	33,012
Rhubarb, ...	"	300	"	13,500
Raw Silk, ...	"	487	"	121,750
Refuse Silk, ...	"	1,326	"	265,200
Silk Ribbon, Thread, &c., ...	"	22	Great Britain	13,200
Silk Piece Goods, ...	"	320	All parts	208,000
Silk and Cotton Mixtures, ...	"	29	Australia	6,300
Boots and Shoes, ...	"	66	All parts	3,300
Sugar, ...	"	48,846	India, Shanghai	244,230
Sugar Candy, ...	"	23,734	India, Great Britain, and Colonies	148,357
Tea, ...	"	178,752	Great Britain and Colonies	4,647,552
Tobacco, ...	"	1,861	Great Britain, India, and Colonies	18,610
Vermillion, ...	"	190	Great Britain, India, and Shanghai	13,300
Physic and Drugs, ...	Value	\$17,500	All parts	17,500
Tin, ...	"	\$25,000	Hamburgh and Shanghai	25,000
Iron, ...	"	\$4,500	"	4,500
MISCELLANEOUS.—Alum, Clothes, Soy, Furniture, Bamboos, Silk Umbrellas, Hides, White and Red Lead, Ink, Rice Paper Drawings, Sandalwood ware, Blue Dye, Wooden Articles, Leaf Fans, Dried Shrimps, Hemp, &c., &c.,	"	\$35,000	All parts	35,000
Total Value of Exports in British Ships, ..				\$6,098,477
Equal at Exchange of 4/9 per Dollar, to, ..				£1,448,388

MARKS.—The above Return exhibits the Quantities and Values of Merchandise which were entered for Exportation and paid Duty at the Canton Custom House in the year 1854, (corrected in some cases from other sources of information.)  
 Weights stated are those in use at Canton: 1 Catty is equal to 14 pounds avoirdupois, and 1 Picul (or 100 catties) corresponds to 133½ English.  
 Values given have in most instances been computed upon the average prices of the year in the Canton Market; and where this has been found impracticable, an estimate has been substituted.  
 Reduction of Dollars into Sterling has been made at the average Exchange for the year of 4/9 per dollar.

STATEMENT of TONNAGE DUES, and IMPORT and EXPORT DUTIES paid by British Vessels in the PORT OF CANTON, from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1854.

SHIP'S NAME.	TONS.	TONNAGE DUES.		IMP. AND EXP. DUTIES.	TOTAL.	No.	SHIP'S NAME.	TONS.	TONNAGE DUES.		IMP. AND EXP. DUTIES.	TOTAL.
		Taels m.c.c.	Taels m.c.c.						Taels m.c.c.	Taels m.c.c.		
Canute, ...	686	343.0.0.0	13,439.1.9.6	13,782.1.9.6	37	Brought forward, ..	19,227	8,220.3.0.0	231,535.0.9.3	239,755.3.9.3		
British Tar, ...	364	182.0.0.0	5,602.6.5.4	5,784.6.5.4	38	Burlington, ...	778	389.0.0.0	4,025.2.7.1	4,414.2.7.1		
J. Jeejeebhoy, ...	574	287.0.0.0	2,187.2.1.5	2,474.2.1.5	39	Tinto, ...	480	240.0.0.0	5,800.2.9.9	6,040.2.9.9		
Camelane, ...	427	213.5.0.0	8,459.4.2.8	8,672.9.2.8	40	Cressy, ...	720	360.0.0.0	3,092.1.8.1	3,452.1.8.1		
Jane Ewing, ...	455	227.5.0.0	...	227.5.0.0	41	Whampoa, ...	376	...	...	...		
Triumph, ...	807	403.5.0.0	...	403.5.0.0	42	Strathfieldsaye, ...	656	328.0.0.0	11,321.0.0.8	11,649.0.0.8		
Early Bird, ...	363	181.5.0.0	1,377.2.5.4	1,558.7.5.4	43	Cowasjee Family, ...	297	...	...	...		
Lebury, ...	473	236.5.0.0	11,671.4.2.3	11,907.9.2.3	44	Sea King, ...	895	...	...	...		
J. Buchanan, ...	236	59.0.0.0	4,593.4.7.5	4,652.4.7.5	45	Cathaya, ...	493	246.5.0.0	2,564.6.8.3	2,811.1.8.3		
Walmer Castle, ...	656	328.0.0.0	13,958.3.4.5	14,286.3.4.5	46	Courseur, ...	227	113.5.0.0	874.0.2.8	987.5.2.8		
Lady Raffles, ...	299	...	...	...	47	J. Jeejeebhoy, ...	574	287.0.0.0	3,302.3.7.1	3,669.3.7.1		
John Wood, ...	570	285.0.0.0	2,663.6.8.5	2,948.6.8.5	48	Aërolite, ...	911	...	...	...		
Oraney Lass, ...	320	160.0.0.0	6,870.2.2.5	7,030.2.2.5	49	Red Gauntlet, ...	919	459.5.0.0	4,720.4.9.8	5,179.9.9.8		
Belonith, ...	850	425.0.0.0	7,445.1.1.7	7,870.1.1.7	50	Bomanjee, ...	850	...	...	...		
Arrow, ...	212	...	...	...	51	Prince Arthur, ...	1,146	573.0.0.0	5,682.7.8.8	6,255.7.8.8		
Mary Spencer, ...	479	239.5.0.0	8,942.8.8.7	9,182.3.8.7	52	Mary Mackertoom, ...	305	...	...	...		
Chil-noor, ...	138	13.8.0.0	1,216.5.6.5	1,230.3.6.5	53	Fanny, ...	272	136.0.0.0	1,354.3.4.7	1,490.3.4.7		
John Dugdale, ...	407	203.5.0.0	7,015.2.1.0	7,218.7.1.0	54	Agincourt, ...	689	...	...	...		
Resolution, ...	419	209.5.0.0	5,100.3.8.3	5,309.8.8.3	55	Flying Childers, ...	229	114.5.0.0	1,999.2.6.8	2,113.7.6.8		
Angeline, ...	335	167.5.0.0	4,809.5.0.0	4,977.0.0.0	56	Chrysolite, ...	471	235.5.0.0	2,246.8.2.3	2,482.3.2.3		
Alert, ...	281	140.5.0.0	1,771.3.0.0	1,911.8.0.0	57	Patna, ...	362	181.0.0.0	5,902.9.7.5	6,083.9.7.5		
Abbot, ...	245	122.5.0.0	4,385.3.2.5	4,507.8.2.5	58	Polinaise, ...	887	443.5.0.0	13,894.9.8.8	14,338.4.8.8		
Thomasine, ...	365	182.5.0.0	4,342.5.0.0	4,525.0.0.0	59	Queen Margaret, ...	533	266.5.0.0	2,379.4.0.8	2,645.9.0.8		
Melican, ...	469	...	...	...	60	Prince of Wales, ...	826	413.0.0.0	3,952.1.0.7	4,365.1.0.7		
Hero, ...	406	203.0.0.0	4,318.1.9.8	4,521.1.9.8	61	Masdeu, ...	218	109.0.0.0	847.6.9.8	956.6.9.8		
Arratoon Apar, ...	275	137.5.0.0	1,249.0.6.4	1,386.5.6.4	62	Glendaragh, ...	682	341.0.0.0	2,656.0.2.3	2,997.0.2.3		
Wynstay, ...	527	263.5.0.0	9,302.9.1.1	9,566.4.1.1	63	Charles Grant, ...	1,699	...	...	...		
Coronation, ...	739	...	...	...	64	Joseph Somes, ...	774	193.5.0.0	4,656.2.6.4	4,849.7.6.4		
Sumner, ...	605	347.5.0.0	13,275.1.2.6	13,622.6.2.6	65	Whampoa, ...	376	94.0.0.0	518.3.6.6	612.3.6.6		
...	19,227	8,220.3.0.0	231,535.0.9.3	239,755.3.9.3	66	Bank of England, ...	726	363.0.0.0	3,226.5.6.2	3,589.5.6.2		
...	45,351	17,260.8.0.0	305,323.8.5.1	312,584.6.5.1	67	William and Jane, ...	450	225.0.0.0	6,428.1.2.6	6,653.1.2.6		
...	...	...	...	...	68	Colatua, ...	438	219.0.0.0	7,826.8.6.0	8,045.8.6.0		
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		

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 69,050 15,544 53,506 136 28 108 Total 3,831 17,947 60,810 137 46 91 Total 69,050

No. 5.—STATEMENT OF TONNAGE DUES,—Continued.

No.	SHIP'S NAME.	TONS.	TONNAGE DUES.			No.	SHIP'S NAME.	TONS.	TONNAGE DUES.		
			Taels m.c.c.	Taels m.c.c.	Taels m.c.c.				Taels m.c.c.	Taels m.c.c.	Taels m.c.c.
	Brought forward,	45,351	17,260.8.0.0	395,323.8.5.1	412,584.6.5.1		Brought forward,	60,320	23,135.8.0.0	451,007.3.7.6	474,142.7.1.1
79	Lancastrian, ...	591	295.5.0.0	...	507.3.4.6	110	Shah Ailum, ...	939	469.5.0.0	2,722.1.0.0	3,191.7.1.1
80	G. Marquard, ...	204	...	...	...	111	D. Harrison, ...	428	214.0.0.0	4,748.7.2.1	4,962.7.2.1
81	Earl of Clare, ...	1,102	551.0.0.0	3,687.9.3.6	4,238.9.3.6	112	Nina, ...	95	...	...	...
82	Stornoway, ...	527	263.5.0.0	6,713.5.5.0	6,977.0.5.0	113	Jessie, ...	573	...	...	...
83	Columbus, ...	467	233.5.0.0	1,534.3.3.7	1,767.8.3.7	114	Centurion, ...	639	319.5.0.0	8,498.8.2.1	8,817.8.2.1
84	Asia, ...	523	261.5.0.0	1,997.3.5.0	2,258.8.5.0	115	Alligator, ...	197	98.5.0.0	199.1.5.6	207.6.5.6
85	Nimrod, ...	234	...	...	...	116	Onward, ...	99	9.9.0.0	1,090.5.7.5	1,100.5.7.5
86	S. Burlbridge, ...	435	217.5.0.0	2,036.1.1.2	2,253.6.1.2	117	Oribe, ...	220	110.0.0.0	1,906.6.8.3	2,016.6.8.3
87	Hannah, ...	245	...	...	...	118	Mimosa, ...	447	223.5.0.0	499.7.8.2	723.7.8.2
88	British Queen ...	110	...	...	...	119	Jane Geary, ...	203	...	...	...
89	Cyclone, ...	665	332.5.0.0	6,236.7.5.0	6,569.2.5.0	120	Good Success, ...	528	264.0.0.0	3,375.0.5.6	3,639.0.5.6
90	Bombay, ...	400	200.0.0.0	75.4.8.0	275.4.8.0	121	Roxburgh Castle, ...	1,100	550.0.0.0	1,239.4.9.6	1,789.4.9.6
91	Lancashire Witch, ...	306	76.5.0.0	1,765.6.8.6	1,842.1.8.6	122	Boyne, ...	619	309.5.0.0	2,751.3.8.2	3,060.3.8.2
92	Erauce, ...	728	364.0.0.0	3,917.9.0.9	4,281.9.0.9	123	Hamilton, ...	398	199.0.0.0	154.1.5.1	353.1.5.1
93	Aden, ...	339	169.5.0.0	4,554.1.1.0	4,723.6.1.0	124	Lalla Rookh, ...	367	...	...	...
94	Blair, ...	333	166.5.0.0	5,175.1.6.3	5,341.6.6.3	125	Adele, ...	332	166.0.0.0	467.9.4.4	633.9.4.4
95	Ann, ...	800	200.0.0.0	179.9.0.5	379.9.0.5	126	Mary Sparks, ...	544	272.0.0.0	686.4.8.2	958.4.8.2
96	Cairngorm, ...	939	469.0.0.0	169.8.9.8	638.8.9.8	127	Columbus, ...	467	...	...	...
97	Marion, ...	684	342.0.0.0	1,678.7.2.0	2,020.7.2.0	128	Abeona, ...	211	...	...	...
98	Pantaloon, ...	174	...	...	...	129	Sassoon Family ...	212	...	...	...
99	Marianne, ...	200	100.0.0.0	591.5.5.5	691.5.5.5	130	Bombay, ...	400	...	...	...
100	T. Chadwick, ...	461	...	...	...	131	Fortuna, ...	177	...	...	...
101	M. Mitchell, ...	930	465.0.0.0	2,697.2.3.6	3,162.2.3.6	132	Arratoon Apcar, ...	225	...	...	...
102	Maggie, ...	335	167.5.0.0	3,324.7.7.7	3,492.2.7.7	133	John Gray, ...	578	...	...	...
103	Grecian Queen, ...	203	101.5.0.0	1,662.9.4.7	1,764.4.4.7	134	Senator, ...	277	...	...	...
104	Emma, ...	110	11.0.0.0	63.3.1.4	74.3.1.4	135	Mermaid, ...	472	...	...	...
105	F. Rahaman, ...	436	...	...	...	136	Melanie, ...	136	...	...	...
106	Dudbrook, ...	600	300.0.0.0	1,488.5.8.8	1,788.5.8.8	137	Harriet, ...	925	...	...	...
107	Lady Elizabeth, ...	496	...	767.6.8.8	767.6.8.8		38 Small Craft,	9,807	980.7.0.0	30,204.8.3.1	31,185.8.3.1
108	Masdeu, ...	218	...	767.6.8.8	767.6.8.8						
109	Java, ...	1,175	587.5.0.0	5,152.6.6.8	5,740.1.6.8						
	Carried forward, ...	60,320	23,135.8.0.0	451,007.3.7.6	474,143.1.7.6						

Total, taels 536,874.4.5.6, at 717 taels to the \$1000=£117,834.

No. 6.—A RETURN of the Quantities of MANUFACTURED ARTICLES and RAW PRODUCE Imported in British Vessels which were SHIPPED from Canton to the undermentioned Ports in China during the Year 1854.

No. in TABLE.	DENOMINATION OF ARTICLES.	NAMES OF PORTS.				TOTAL.
		Amoy.	Shanghai.	Fuchow.	Hongkong.	
47	Woolen Manufactures, Long Ells, ...	480	33,120	9,120	18,000	60,720
	Camlets, ...	...	...	...	5,740	5,740
	Spanish Stripes, ...	...	940	...	1,593	2,533
	Lastings, ...	...	...	...	8,358	8,358
13	Cotton Manufactures, Shirtings, Grey, ...	15,738	12,750	10,134	...	38,622
	" White, ...	...	900	...	...	900
	" Figured, ...	...	237	2,879	...	3,116
	" Coloured, ...	...	933	...	...	933
	Twills, ...	...	...	2,164	...	2,164
	Printed Cottons, ...	...	700	...	...	700
	Chintz, ...	1,000	...	2,257	...	3,257
	Velveteens, ...	...	580	...	...	580
14	Cotton Yarn, ...	1,143	...	...	...	1,166
3	Botel Nut, ...	...	120,000	...	...	120,000
4	Bicho de Mar, ...	313	15,049	...	...	15,362
7	Cloves, ...	1,400	57,856	...	...	59,256
12	Cotton, ...	7,707,999	...	335,155	544,564	8,586,818
18	Fish Maws, ...	...	20,615	...	...	20,615
22	Ginseng, ...	...	1,000	...	...	1,000
24	Gum Myrrh, ...	4,613	...	...	...	4,613

No. 6.—A RETURN, &c.—Continued.

No. in TABLE.	DENOMINATION OF ARTICLES.	NAMES OF PORTS.				TOTAL.
		Amoy.	Shanghai.	Fuchow.	Hongkong.	
	Gum Olibanum, ...	...	9,100	...	...	9,100
	" Unenumerated, ...	11,449	16,947	...	...	28,396
30	Tin, ...	5,000	29,800	...	...	34,800
	Tin Plates, ...	...	...	40,000	...	40,000
31	Nutmegs, ...	...	3,518	...	...	3,518
32	Pepper, ...	...	51,815	...	...	51,815
33	Putchuck, ...	...	51,402	...	...	51,402
34	Rattans, ...	...	89,000	...	...	89,000
36	Sharks Fins, ...	2,800	34,877	...	...	37,677
46	Sandal wood, ...	...	407,719	...	...	407,719
	Sapan wood, ...	...	99,500	...	...	99,500
	Guano, ...	250,000	...	...	...	250,000

No. 7.—A Comparative Statement of the Quantities of TEA EXPORTED from the PORT OF CANTON, to the Countries and Places undermentioned, during the Five Years ending 31st December, 1854.

COUNTRIES.	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854
Great Britain, ...	37,814,900	35,785,200	32,620,000	38,311,000	28,890,000
Australia, ...	683,200	500,000	986,301	3,490,139	3,500,000
United States, ...	14,233,000	10,583,550	15,894,187	11,739,665	15,432,000
Europe, ...	1,555,000	2,783,900	3,284,000	2,583,900	1,350,000
	54,306,100	49,652,650	52,784,488	56,124,704	49,192,000

PORT OF CANTON.  
No. 8.—DIRECT TRADE in British Vessels from and to Great Britain and British Colonies.

COUNTRIES WHENCE ARRIVED.	ARRIVED.						TOTAL NUMBER OF CREWS.	COUNTRIES TO WHICH DEPARTED.	DEPARTED.					
	NUMBER OF VESSELS.			TONNAGE.					NUMBER OF VESSELS.			TONNAGE.		
	with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.	with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.			with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.	with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.
Great Britain, ...	11	...	11	4,948	...	4,948	200	Great Britain, ...	38	...	38	19,563	...	19,563
India, ...	44	4	48	32,252	985	33,237	2,116	India, ...	19	6	25	12,709	2,020	14,729
Singapore and Straits, ...	19	...	19	7,597	...	7,597	503	Singapore and Straits, ...	1	1	2	367	299	666
Hongkong, ...	4	29	33	2,069	11,725	13,794	569	Hongkong, ...	2	13	15	272	8,230	8,502
Australia, ...	1	6	7	656	2,305	2,961	125	Australia, ...	10	...	10	3,771	...	3,771
V. Dieman's Land, ...	...	1	1	...	229	229	14	V. Dieman's Land, ...	2	...	2	440	...	440
Cape Town, ...	...	1	1	...	220	220	13	Cape Town, ...	2	...	2	319	...	319
Algoa Bay, ...	...	1	1	...	99	99	8	Algoa Bay, ...	...	...	1	408	...	408
Artacan, ...	1	...	1	420	...	420	18	Artacan, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Van Couver's Isle, ...	1	...	1	277	...	277	9	Van Couver's Isle, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...

INDIRECT or CARRYING TRADE in British Vessels from and to other Countries.

COUNTRIES WHENCE ARRIVED.	ARRIVED.						TOTAL NUMBER OF CREWS.	COUNTRIES TO WHICH DEPARTED.	DEPARTED.					
	NUMBER OF VESSELS.			TONNAGE.					NUMBER OF VESSELS.			TONNAGE.		
	with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.	with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.			with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.	with Cargoes.	in Ballast.	Total.
4 Ports of China, ...	6	1	7	1,475	400	1,875	124	Four Ports, ...	29	4	33	13,958	2,621	16,579
San Francisco, ...	...	1	1	...	730	730	21	Batavia, ...	1	...	1	573	...	573
Callao, ...	...	1	1	...	925	925	28	Hamburg, ...	2	...	2	707	...	707
Macassar, ...	1	...	1	419	...	419	26	Manila, ...	3	...	3	...	1,548	1,548
Isle of Pines, ...	1	...	1	363	...	363	15	New York, ...	1	...	1	419	...	419
Lombek, ...	1	...	1	236	...	236	20	Siam, ...	...	1	1	...	826	826
Sandwich Isles, ...	...	1	1	...	320	320	14							
Eromango, ...	1	...	1	136	...	136	0							
Total, ...	91	46	137	50,848	17,947	68,795	3,831	Total, ...	108	28	136	53,506	15,544	69,050

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The subjoined Table of Fees authorized to be taken in the Vice-Admiralty Court of Hongkong, is hereby notified for general information.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria,  
Hongkong, 16th July, 1855.

TABLE OF FEES

TO BE TAKEN BY THE

JUDGE, REGISTRAR, MARSHAL, ADVOCATES, AND PROCTORS

OF THE

VICE-ADMIRALTY COURT AT HONGKONG;

*Established by the Queen's Order in Council.*

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William IV., intituled *An Act to regulate the Practice and the Fees in the Vice-Admiralty Courts abroad, and to obviate doubts as to their Jurisdiction*, Her Majesty is empowered to make such Rules and Regulations, and to establish such Fees, and to alter them from time to time, as may be found expedient for the said Vice-Admiralty Courts; and whereas by an Order in Council, bearing date the 27th of June 1832, certain Rules and Regulations touching the Practice to be observed in Suits and Proceedings in Courts of Vice-Admiralty, and also certain Tables of Fees for the several Courts of Vice-Admiralty then existing, were established; and whereas by an Order in Council, bearing date the 25th day of June 1851, the 25th Section of the said Rules and Regulations, which relates to Prosecutions for a Breach of the Laws for the Abolition of the Slave Trade, was expunged, and in lieu thereof new Rules and Regulations relative thereto were established; and whereas by a further Order in Council dated the 11th day of February 1852, the said Rules and Regulations, and also the Tables of Fees thereto annexed marked Nos. 1 and 2, were directed to be taken and received by the respective Officers of the Vice-Admiralty Court at Hongkong: We send you herewith a Copy containing a Copy of the aforesaid Order in Council of the 27th of June 1832, with the Rules, Regulations, and Tables therein established, and also a Copy of the Order in Council of the 25th day of June 1851, with a Copy of the 25th Section of the Rules and Regulations adopted in lieu of that Section expunged from the Rules and Regulations so established by an Order in Council of the 27th June 1832, and also Copies of the said Order in Council of the 11th of February 1852, and of the Tables of Fees, marked Nos. 1 and 2, therein directed to be taken and received by the Officers of the Vice-Admiralty Court at Hongkong; and We hereby desire and direct you, so far as the same affect or concern your Court, to act in accordance with and to be guided by the Rules, Regulations, and Tables of Fees so adopted by the said Orders in Council dated the 27th of June 1832 and 11th of February 1852 in all matters to which they relate.

(Signed)

F. T. BARING.  
M. F. F. BERKELEY.  
H. STEWART.  
JAS. STIRLING.  
ALEX. MILNE.  
W. COWPER.

*Vice-Admiral, the Judge, and the respective Officers and Practitioners of the Vice-Admiralty Court of Hong Kong.*

By Command of their Lordships,

(Signed) J. PARKER.

*At the Court at Windsor, 11th day of February 1852;*

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial of the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 9th of this instant February, in the words following, viz. :—  
“Whereas by His late Majesty's Order in Council of the 27th of June 1832, certain Rules and Regulations touching the Practice to be observed in Suits and Proceedings in Courts of Vice-Admiralty, and also certain Tables of Fees for the several Courts of Vice-Admiralty then existing, were established: And whereas the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for the time being did, on the 4th day of February 1846, by due authority constitute a Vice-Admiralty Court at Hongkong: And whereas by an Order of Her Majesty in Council, bearing date the 25th day of June 1851, the 25th Section of the said Rules and Regulations which relate to Prosecutions for a Breach of the Laws for the Abolition of the Slave Trade were expunged, and in lieu thereof other Rules and Regulations relative thereto were established for the several Vice-Admiralty Courts in Her Majesty's Possessions abroad: And whereas it is desirable to establish Rules, Regulations, and Tables of Fees for the said Vice-Admiralty Court at Hongkong: We do therefore most humbly submit to Your Majesty, that Your Majesty will be most graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to establish for the said Vice-Admiralty Court at Hongkong the aforesaid Rules and Regulations for the several Vice-Admiralty Courts as altered by the said Order in Council dated the 25th June 1851, and that the Tables of Fees, marked Nos. 1 and 2 hereto annexed, which have been prepared by persons of competent authority, and approved by Your Majesty's Advocate General and the Advocate of the Admiralty, and sanctioned by the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty of England, be established by Your Majesty's Order in Council as the Rules and Regulations for the said Vice-Admiralty Court at Hongkong, and the said Fees to be taken or received by the Officers and Practitioners of the said Vice-Admiralty Court; and also, that the Fees directed to be taken by the Order in Council dated the 27th of June 1832 in ‘undefended Prosecutions for Breach of the Acts for the Abolition of the Slave Trade’ be expunged, and that the Table of Fees hereunto annexed, marked No. 2, and which is similar to that established for the Vice-Admiralty Court at Saint Helena by Her Majesty's Order in Council dated the 25th of June 1851, be established by Your Majesty's Order in Council as the only Fees to be taken and received by the Judges, Registrars, Marshals, Advocates, and Proctors of the several Vice-Admiralty Courts in Your Majesty's Dominions abroad.”

Her Majesty, having taken the said Memorial and the Tables of Fees therein referred to into consideration, was pleased, by the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve thereof, and of what is proposed in the said Memorial in regard to Rules, Regulations and the Table of Fees for the Vice-Admiralty Court at Hongkong, and in regard to the Table of Fees for several Vice-Admiralty Courts in Her Majesty's Dominions abroad, which Tables of Fees are hereunto annexed; and Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

(Signed) Wm. L. BATHURST.

No. 1.—IN OTHER THAN SLAVE TRADE CASES.

BY THE JUDGE.

Fees in the Progress of a Suit or Cause.

Table listing fees for judicial acts: For administering an Oath to a Witness or Party in Cause. Taking Bail, whether by one or more Persons. Decreeing Monition, Commission, Attachment, or any other Instrument, or for any Judicial Act done before or after the hearing of a Cause, and not otherwise mentioned (The above Fee of 2s. 6d. to be taken by the Surrogate, whenever he performs the duty.) On subduction of an Action. On pronouncing a Party to be in default. On signing a Decree, pronouncing for the interest of a Party proceeding in paenam. On a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree.

Fees upon the Sealing of Instruments.

Table listing fees for sealing instruments: Warrant of Arrest, Monition, Commission, Decree, Restitution, or Attachment. Compulsory or Subpœna, or any Instrument not otherwise mentioned. Exemplification of any Document or Proceeding. Process transmitted to the Court of Appeal.

BY THE REGISTRAR.

1. Fees on Instruments prepared by the Registrar.

Table listing fees for registrar's instruments: For Drawing and Engrossing: Warrant to arrest Ship, Goods, or Person. Bail Bond. Monition, Commission, or Decree, whether of Unlivery, Appraisement, or Sale, or otherwise. Writ or Instrument of Restitution. Compulsory or Subpœna against Witnesses. Writ of Attachment. If either of the preceding Instruments exceed in length ten folios, for every folio beyond ten. Note—The folio mentioned throughout this Table of Fees must contain ninety words, reckoning each figure as a word. Should the Registrar be required to prepare any other Document, Instrument, or Matter whatsoever, not specified in this Table, he will be entitled to the same charge as a Proctor, viz. For Drawing, for every folio. For fair Copying or Engrossing, for every folio.

2. Fees on Documents not prepared by the Registrar, but by the Proctor, Solicitor, or Advocate in a Cause.

Table listing fees for documents: On a Decree, pronouncing for the interest of a Party proceeding in paenam, being signed by the Judge. On filing Affidavit or Protest of a Master or Mariners, without reference to the Number of Persons making the same. On filing Libel, Information, Claim, Proxy, or similar Document. On filing Exhibit annexed thereto, or to any Affidavit. On entering (or engrossing) personal Answers of a Party in a Suit, for each folio.

3. Fees on taking the Examination of Witnesses.

Table listing fees for witness examinations: On taking the Examination of every Witness on any Information, Libel, Interrogatories, or Plea, a fee of. For each folio to which the Examination shall extend, if in English. If by Interpretation (Interpreter included).

NOTE—It should be understood, that the Registrar, or whoever acts as the Examiner for him, should take the Depositions in chief of the Witnesses, on the Libel, Information, or Plea itself, without written Interrogatories; putting such relevant questions, viva voce, as may suggest themselves; and care should be taken not to lead the Witness. The Libel, Information, or Plea should therefore always be drawn sufficiently precise and full, to enable the Examiner to take the Examinations accordingly. The Cross-examinations must, of course, be taken on written Interrogatories.

4. Fees on Office Copies of Papers or Proceedings.

Table listing fees for office copies: For Office Copy of Sentence or Interlocutory Decree, certified under Seal. For Office Copy of any Affidavit, Examination, Answers of a Party, or other Documents or Proceedings in a Cause, or Extract therefrom, if under twelve folios. If exceeding twelve folios, for each folio beyond twelve. Office Copies of Papers and Proceedings to form a Process, to be transmitted to the Court of Appeal, or for any other purpose, for each folio contained therein.

5. Fees on Translation of Papers.

Where Papers are translated, the Registrar should charge the disbursement actually made to the Translator, with an addition of one-fourth, to compensate himself for his trouble, advance, &c.

6. Incidental Fees in the Progress of a Cause.

Table listing incidental fees: On the Subduction of an Action. For entering every ordinary Act of Court. On every Default pronounced against parties in Contempt, in Cases proceeding in paenam. On every Interlocutory Decree or Sentence, including drawing the Act, to be paid by the Party succeeding. Sportulage upon every Sentence or Interlocutory Decree, to be paid by each Party in a Suit. Sportulage in a Cause terminating without a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree, to be paid by each Party in a Suit.

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Attendance before a Judge or Surrogate, at which any Decree is made, other than an Interlocutory or Sentence . . . . .	0 7 0
Receipt for original Documents delivered out of the Registry . . . . .	0 3 0
Search or Examination of the Records, by any Person not being a Party in the Cause in which the Search is made . . . . .	0 4 0

NOTE.—No fee to be charged to a Party in the Cause, or to any Seaman applying for Search.

Advertising an intermediate or extra Court Day, in addition to the sum paid for advertisement . . . . .	0 10 0
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7. On paying out Money.

Receiving Receipt for Money to be paid out of the Registry . . . . .	0 2 0
Interest on Money paid out of the Registry, for every Pound sterling . . . . .	0 0 3

8. Taxing Costs.

Preparing a Bill of Costs if under six folios, from each Party who attends the Taxation . . . . .	0 6 8
Bill of Costs exceed six folios, for every additional folio (besides the Fees above mentioned), to be paid in equal proportions by each Party who attends; and if but one party attend, to be paid by him solely . . . . .	0 0 9

9. References of Accounts, &c. by the Judge to the Registrar and Merchants.

Registrar . . . . .	5 5 0
Assistant Merchant . . . . .	5 5 0

If two Merchants, Five Guineas each.

BY THE MARSHAL.

Arresting a Vessel, Goods, or Person . . . . .	1 1 0
Keeping possession of a Vessel and Cargo, jointly, or either of them singly, when the same are not under the responsible charge and custody of the Officers of the Customs, for each day in which they remain in the Marshal's charge . . . . .	0 6 0

NOTE.—This fee not to be chargeable in Cases where the Goods have been put into store or warehouse.

Returning into and certifying the sufficiency of Persons proposed as Sureties in any Suit, for each Surety . . . . .	0 8 0
Release of a Vessel, Goods, or Person from Arrest . . . . .	0 7 6
Executing every Monition, or Decree for Answers of a Party, or Compulsory, or other Instrument not specified . . . . .	0 10 0
Every Default or Decree, pronouncing for the Interest of a Party proceeding <i>in pœnam</i> . . . . .	0 7 6
Every Attendance in Court, when a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree is pronounced . . . . .	0 13 4
Executing every Decree or Commission of Appraisalment, exclusive of the Appraiser's fee, but including the making of the Inventory, if the value should not exceed £500 sterling . . . . .	1 13 4
Like Duty when the value exceeds £500 . . . . .	2 6 8
Executing every Decree or Commission of Sale of Ship or Goods by Public Auction, when the gross proceeds are under £200 sterling . . . . .	2 0 0
Every additional £100 sterling . . . . .	1 0 0
Attending the execution of a Decree or Commission of Unlivery of Cargo (when not done for the purpose of Sale), per Day . . . . .	2 2 0
Executing a Person in Execution after Sentence, if the sum due from such Person does not exceed £20 sterling . . . . .	1 0 0
Like Duty, when the sum is above £20 and under £50 sterling . . . . .	2 0 0
Like Duty, when the sum is above £50 and under £100 sterling, for every Pound sterling due . . . . .	0 1 0
Every additional Pound sterling after the first £100 . . . . .	0 0 6

NOTE.—Should it be necessary for the Marshal to go any distance to execute any of the above Duties, there should be paid to him for Loss of Time and Travelling Expenses, in addition to the preceding Fees, the following:

Distance exceed Two, and be under Four Miles . . . . .	1 1 0
Over Four, and under Eight Miles . . . . .	2 2 0

If the distance be still greater, the allowance to be reasonably increased.

BY THE ADVOCATES.

It is not easy to lay down any precise Rules respecting Fees to Counsel, inasmuch as the amount must depend upon the circumstances of each particular case with reference to its length, importance, and difficulty. In all undefended Cases, and in matters of no great difficulty, one Counsel ought to be considered sufficient. In respect to these observations, the following suggestions are made for the guidance of the Proctor in feeing Counsel, upon matters which most frequently occur in the progress of a suit.

Fee to an Advocate . . . . .	2 2 0
Preparing, settling, and signing Information or Libel, Claim and Affidavit, Act on Petition, responsive Plea (or Replication) to Libel or Information, or Act on Petition, according to the length or difficulty . . . . .	2 2 0
Preparing, settling, and signing Interrogatories, Answers, &c., when the same do not exceed twelve folios in length . . . . .	5 5 0
Every additional ten folios, to the extent of sixty . . . . .	1 1 0
NOTE.—It should be understood, that in preparing Interrogatories for the cross-examination of Witnesses, they are not to be drawn separately for each Witness to whom the same are to be administered, but that, when practicable (as in most instances will be the case), one set of Interrogatories should be prepared, generally applicable to all the Witnesses.	
Consultation in any intermediate stage of the proceedings, should a necessity arise to resort to Counsel for advice, but this ought not too frequently to occur, and only in cases of difficulty . . . . .	1 1 0
Motion necessarily made by Counsel before the Judge in the progress of a Cause . . . . .	2 2 0
Fee for the final hearing must depend upon the length of the Evidence and the importance and difficulties of the Cause; but, in cases of no great intricacy, the Fee should be from Four to Six Guineas, and not to exceed the latter sum, unless where the proceedings are voluminous, or unusually important or difficult . . . . .	3 3 0
	2 2 0
	3 3 0
	4 4 0
	6 6 0

BY THE PROCTORS.

Fee for attending before Judge or Judge Surrogate, either in Court or Chambers . . . . .	0 10 0
	0 10 0

On extracting any Warrant, Monition, Commission, Writ, or other Instrument	0 10
Drawing Libel, Information, Plea, Claim, Affidavit, Act on Petition, Interrogatories, Answers, or any other Proceeding whatever not herein specified, for every folio	0 2
Fair Copying or Engrossing, for every folio	0 1
For Consultation with Party for the purpose of taking instructions for the Libel, Information, Plea, Act on Petition, or for any other important purpose, during the dependence of a Suit	0 13
For Consultation with Counsel, if any such should be found requisite preparatory to the final hearing of a Cause, or otherwise	1 1
For attendance on Counsel to fee him to peruse, settle, and sign any Information, Libel, Replication or other Plea, Claim, Affidavit, Act on Petition, Answers, Interrogatories, or other matter, or upon any other occasion that may arise on delivering Papers, and seeing Counsel	0 13
NOTE.—Care should be taken not to increase the number of Attendances, or Consultations with Counsel, which ought only to be resorted to when absolutely necessary.	
For any necessary Attendance on the Registrar, or on the adverse Proctor during the Progress of a Cause to adjust any incidental point in the Suit, or on the Marshal to instruct him, as to the service of any Instrument, reporting Bail, &c.	0 7
On all Office Copies of Depositions, &c., obtained from the Registrar, one-third of the actual sum paid at the Registry is to be added for trouble of collating and extracting the same.	
For perusing and considering any Papers, Exhibits, or Documents furnished or introduced into a Cause by the adverse Party, or furnished by a Party to his own Proctor, for the purpose of being brought forward as Evidence in the Suit, if not exceeding twelve folios	0 6
For every additional twelve folios	0 3
NOTE.—These fees for perusing are, however, not to be charged, nor is any Charge of the kind to be made relative to the original Papers found on board the Vessel, and annexed to the Seizor's Affidavit.	
For attending Informations on the final hearing of a Cause, when it occupies only a short time, 13s. 4d.; if a few hours, £1, 1s.; if a whole day, £2, 2s.	0 13 1 1 0 2 2

(Signed)

WM. ROTHERY.  
H. B. SWABEY.

Perused and Approved.  
(Signed)

JOHN DODSON.  
JOSEPH PHILLIMORE.  
STEPHEN LUSHINGTON.

**No. 2.—IN CASES OF PROSECUTION AGAINST VESSELS CAPTURED ON THE GROUND OF BEING ENGAGED IN THE SLAVE TRADE. BY THE JUDGE.**

*Fees in the progress of a Suit or Cause*  
 For administering an Oath to a Witness or Party in a cause. Taking Bail, whether by one or more Persons. Decreeing Monition, Commission, Attachment, or any other Instrument; or for any Judicial Act done before or after the hearing of a Cause, and not otherwise mentioned herein  
 The above Fee of 2s. to be taken by the Surrogate, whenever he performs the Duty.  
 On a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree

*Fees upon the Sealing of Instruments.*  
 Monition, Commission, Decree, Restitution, or Attachment  
 Compulsory or Subpœna, or any Instrument not otherwise mentioned  
**BY THE REGISTRAR.**

**1. Fees on Instruments prepared by the Registrar.**

For Drawing and Engrossing:  
 Bail Bond  
 Monition, Commission, or Decree, whether of Unlivery, Appraisement, or Sale, or otherwise  
 Writ or Instrument of Restitution  
 Compulsory or Subpœna against Witnesses  
 Writ of Attachment

If either of the preceding Instruments exceed in length ten folios, for every folio beyond Ten  
 NOTE.—The folio mentioned throughout this Table of Fees must contain ninety words, reckoning each figure as a word.  
 Should the Registrar be required to prepare any other Document, Instrument, or Matter whatsoever, not specified in this Table, he will be entitled to the same charge as a Proctor, viz.

For Drawing, for every folio  
 For fair Copying or Engrossing, for every folio  
**2. Fees on Documents not prepared by the Registrar, but by the Proctor, Solicitor, or Advocate in a Cause.**  
 On filing Affidavit as to Ship's Papers, or any other Affidavit or protest of a Master or Mariners, without reference to the Number of Persons making the same, or upon filing a Libel, if ordered by the Judge

**3. Fees on taking the Examination of Witnesses.**  
 On taking the Examination of every Witness on an Information, Libel, Interrogatories, or Plea, a fee of  
 For each folio to which the Examination shall extend, if in English,  
 If by Interpretation (Interpreter included)

**4. Fees on Office Copies of Papers or Proceedings.**  
 For Office Copy of Sentence or Interlocutory Decree, certified under Seal  
 For Office Copy of any Affidavit, Examination, or other Documents or Proceedings in a Cause, or Extract therefrom, if under twelve folios  
 If exceeding twelve folios, for each folio beyond twelve

**5. Fees on Translation of Papers.**  
 Where Papers are translated, the Registrar should charge the Disbursement actually made to the Translator, with an addition of one fourth, to compensate himself for such advance, trouble, &c.

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6. *Incidental Fees in the Progress of a Cause.*

Preparing every Ordinary Act of Court	0	1	6
Preparing every Interlocutory Decree or Sentence, including Drawing the Act, to be paid by the Party succeeding	0	15	0
Every Attendance before a Judge or Surrogate at which any Decree is made, other than an Interlocutory or Sentence	0	5	0
Receipt for original Documents delivered out of the Registry	0	2	6
Search or Examination of the Records, by any Person not being a Party in the Cause in which the Search is made	0	9	0

NOTE.—No Fee to be charged to a Party in the Cause, or to a Seaman applying for Search.

7. *On paying out Money.*

Preparing Receipt for Money to be paid out of the Registry	0	1	6
Charge on Money paid out of the Registry, for every Pound sterling	0	0	2

8. *Taxing Costs.*

Preparing a Bill of Costs, if under six folios, from each Party who attends the Taxation	0	5	0
Bill of Costs exceed six folios, for every additional folio (besides the Fees above mentioned), to be paid in equal proportions by each Party who attends; and if but one Party attend, to be paid by him solely	0	0	7

9. *References of Accounts, &c. by the Judge to the Registrar and Merchants.*

Registrar	5	5	0
Assistant Merchant	5	5	0

If two Merchants, Five Guineas each.

BY THE MARSHAL.

Keeping possession of a Vessel and Cargo, jointly, or either of them singly, when the same are not under the responsible Charge and Custody of the Captor or his Agent, or of the Officers of the Customs, for each Day in which they remain in the Marshal's charge	0	4	6
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NOTE.—This fee not to be chargeable in cases where the Goods have been put into store or warehouse.

Preparing and certifying the sufficiency of Persons proposed as Sureties in any suit, for each Surety	0	6	0
Executing every Monition or Compulsory, or other Instrument not specified	0	7	6
Every Attendance in Court, when a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree is pronounced	0	10	0
Executing every Decree or Commission of Appraisement, exclusive of the Appraiser's Fees, but including the making of the Inventory, if the value should not exceed £500 sterling	1	6	8
Like Duty when the value exceeds £500 sterling	2	0	0
Executing every Decree or Commission of Sale of Ship or Goods by Public Auction, when the gross proceeds are under £200 sterling	2	0	0
For every additional £100 sterling	1	0	0
Tending the Execution of a Decree or Commission of Unlivery of Cargo (when not done for the purpose of Sale), per Day	2	2	0
Keeping a Person in Execution after Sentence, if the Sum due from such Person does not exceed £20 sterling	1	0	0
Like Duty, when the Sum is above £20, and under £50 sterling	2	0	0
Like Duty, when the Sum is above £50 and under £100 sterling, for every Pound sterling due	0	1	0
For every additional Pound sterling after the first £100	0	0	6

NOTE.—Should it be necessary for the Marshal to go any distance to execute any of the above duties, there should be paid to him for Loss of Time and Travelling Expenses, in addition to the preceding Fees, the following:—

Distance exceed Two, and be under Four Miles	1	1	0
Distance Four, and under Eight Miles	2	2	0

If the distance be still greater, the allowance to be reasonably increased, at the discretion of the Judge.

BY THE ADVOCATES.

It is not easy to lay down any precise Rules respecting Fees to Counsel, inasmuch as the Amount must depend upon the Circumstances of each particular Case, with reference to its length, importance, and difficulty. In all undefended Cases, and in Matters of no great difficulty, one Counsel ought to be considered sufficient. Subject to these observations, the following Suggestions are made, for the guidance of the Proctor in fixing Counsel, upon Matters which most frequently occur in the progress of a Suit.

Proctor's Fee to an Advocate where no Claim given	1	1	0
When a Claim given or Suit contested	2	2	0
Preparing, settling, and signing Libel, Claim, and Affidavit, Act on Petition, responsive Plea (or Replication) to Libel or Act on Petition, according to the length or difficulty	1	1	0
Preparing, settling, and signing Interrogatories, Answers, &c., when the same do not exceed twelve folios in length	3	3	0
For every additional fifteen folios to the extent of sixty	1	1	0

NOTE.—It should be understood, that, in preparing Interrogatories for the cross-examination of Witnesses, they are not to be drawn separately for each Witness to whom the same are to be administered; but that, when practicable (as in most instances will be the case), one set of Interrogatories should be prepared, generally applicable to all the Witnesses.

Consultation in any intermediate Stage of the Proceedings, should a necessity arise to resort to Counsel for Advice, but this ought not too frequently to occur, and only in Cases of Difficulty	1	1	0
Motion necessarily made by Counsel before the Judge in the progress of a Cause	2	2	0
Motion for moving Condemnation in an undefended Case	2	2	0
For the final Hearing must depend upon the length of the Evidence, and the importance and difficulties of the Cause; but in Cases of no great intricacy, the Fee should be from Three to Five Guineas, and not to exceed the latter sum, unless where the proceedings are voluminous, or unusually important or difficult	3	3	0
	5	5	0

BY THE PROCTORS.

Retaining Fee	0 7
For attending before the Judge or Judge Surrogate, either in Court or Chambers	0 7
On extracting any Warrant, Monition, Commission, Writ, or other Instrument	0 8
Drawing Libel, Plea, Claim, Affidavit, Act on Petition, Interrogatories, Answers, or any other Proceeding whatever, not herein specified, for every folio	0 1
Fair Copying or Engrossing, for every folio	0 0
For Consultation with Counsel, if any such should be found requisite, preparatory to the final Hearing of a Cause, or otherwise; but no such charge to be made in an undefended Case	0 13
For attendance on Counsel to see him to peruse, settle, and sign any Libel, Replication, or other Plea, Claim, Affidavit, Act on Petition, Answers, Interrogatories, or other matter, or upon any other occasion that may arise on delivering Papers and seeing Counsel	0 10
NOTE.—Care should be taken not to increase the number of Attendances, or Consultations with Counsel, which ought only to be resorted to when absolutely necessary.	
For any necessary attendance on the Registrar or on the adverse Proctor during the progress of a Cause, to adjust any incidental point in the Suit, or on the Marshal, to instruct him as to the Service of any Instrument, reporting Bail, &c.	0 6
On all Office Copies of Depositions, &c., obtained from the Registrar, one-third of the actual sum paid at the Registry is to be added for trouble of collating and extracting the same.	
For perusing and considering any Papers, Exhibits, or Documents furnished or introduced into a Cause by the adverse Party, or furnished by a Party to his own Proctor, for the purpose of being brought forward as Evidence in the Suit, if not exceeding twelve folios	0 5
For every additional twelve folios	0 2
NOTE.—These Fees for perusing are, however, not to be charged, nor is any Charge of the kind to be made relative to the original Papers found on board the Vessel, and annexed to the Seizor's Affidavit.	
For attending Informations on the final Hearing of a Cause, when it occupies only a short time, 10s.; if a few hours, £1; if a whole day, £1, 13s. 4d.	0 10 1 0 or 1 13

(Signed) W.M. ROTHERY.  
H. B. SWABEY.

Perused and Approved.  
(Signed) J. DODSON.  
JOSEPH PHILLIMORE.  
STEPHEN LUSHINGTON.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Next CRIMINAL SESSIONS of the SUPREME COURT will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of July instant, at 11 o'clock A.M. BY ORDER OF THE COURT,  
WILLIAM HASTINGS ALEXANDER,  
Acting Registrar.

**POST-OFFICE NOTICE.**  
THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA having requested, that a separate Bag be made up at this Office for KEDGEREE, independent of the Mails for CALCUTTA: The Post-master General has been pleased to authorize the arrangement; and in future, this additional Bag will be made up with the General Mails, to be delivered at KEDGEREE immediately on the arrival of the Packet at the Mouth of the Ganges.  
THOMAS HYLAND,  
Post-master.

Post-Office, Hongkong,  
14th July, 1855.

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

FRED. H. BLOCK,  
Acting Danish Consul.  
Danish Consulate, Hongkong,  
2d July, 1855.

**NOTICE.**  
A MEETING of the Creditors of the Estate of MESSRS A. F. VANDENBERG & Co., will be held at Noon, on the 21st instant, at the PORTUGUESE CONSULATE,—for the purpose of Registering the Claims against the Estate, and transacting other business connected therewith. All those indebted to the Estate, are requested to forward to the undersigned Statements of their accounts, that the same may be agreed.

D. W. MACKENZIE,  
J. VICENTE JORGE,  
Trustees of the Estate.  
Canton, 16th July, 1855.

**NOTICE.**  
MR JAMES CRAMPTON is authorized to sign our Firm per procuration from this date.  
HANBURY & Co.  
Shanghai, 10th May, 1855.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
MESSRS SMITH & BRIMELOW have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY, the 23d day of July, 1855, on board the vessel, at NOON,—the British Barque  
"TIGRESS,"

as she now lies in this Harbour. Her INVENTORY consists of,—2 ANCHORS and CHAIN CABLES, 1 LONG-BOAT, 3 GIGS, and 1 SHIP'S COMPASS.  
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half the Purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the Hammer, and the remainder the following day. The vessel to be at the Risk of Purchaser as soon as knocked down. Payment to be made in MEXICAN Dollars at 7.1.7.  
Hongkong, 18th July, 1855.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
ON MONDAY, 23d July, at 11 o'clock A.M., at the AUCTION MART, opposite Messrs LINDSAY & Co.'s premises, for the benefit of the concerned,—  
8 Chests damaged PATNA OPIUM.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in MEXICAN Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1855.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
ON TUESDAY, the 24th July, 1855, at 11 o'clock A.M., at the Godowns of Messrs GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., for the benefit of the concerned,—  
90 Bags SALTPETRE and SALTPETRE BAGS.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in MEXICAN Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1855.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
ON WEDNESDAY, the 25th July, at 11 o'clock A.M., at the AUCTION MART, opposite the premises of Messrs LINDSAY & Co., for the benefit of the concerned,—  
400 Dozens Bass's PALE ALE, bottled by Jesse Hobson & Son.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery, in MEXICAN Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1855.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have established Mr WILLIAM H. MOND FOSTER, JR., in Hongkong, Agent for our Houses in Canton, Shanghai, Foochow; and all Business to his address comes under our control and guarantee.  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Canton, 1st July, 1855.

**NOTICE.**  
MR ROBERT ANGUS has been appointed AGENT of the Canton Branch of the COMMERCIAL BANK OF INDIA.  
EDGAR CORRIE  
Manager.  
Canton, 7th July, 1855.

PER "EAGLE WING."  
300 Dozens London PORTER, in Quarts.  
200 Do. do. do. Pints.  
80 Dozens Fine Old PORT.  
5 Hhds. Old Jamaica RUM.  
Martell's, Martell's, and Hennessy's PALE BRANDY.  
CONGREVE SIGNAL ROCKETS.  
MUSKET BALL CARTRIDGES,  
and a variety of STORES.

SMITH & BRIMELOW  
Nos. 1 & 2 Woosnam's Buildings,  
Hongkong, 12th July, 1855.

**JUST RECEIVED.**  
AN Invoice of CUTLERY, ELECTRO-PLATE, ED-WARE, NICKEL-SILVER, BRASS, NIA METAL TEAPOTS, STONE JUGS, DRUM POCKET FLASKS, and CARPENTERS' TOOLS.  
SMITH & BRIMELOW.  
Hongkong, 7th July, 1855.

**JUST RECEIVED,**  
200 Baskets of Fresh SELTZER WATER.  
Also,  
Superior HOCK, CLARET, & CHAMPAGNE.  
SMITH & BRIMELOW.  
Hongkong, 3d July, 1855.

**FOR SALE.**  
BASS'S PALE creaming ALE, bottled in Hongkong, and in excellent order.  
SMITH & BRIMELOW.  
Hongkong, 3d July, 1855.