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SHIPPING ANNOUNCEMENTS.

SERVICES MARITIMES

Messageries Imperiales.-PACQBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS TEAMERS will leave Point de Galle on or about the following days:

	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.
For Suez, Mauritius	20	12	37	44	-10	
" Cochin China, Chi- na, and Japan	18	15	15	12	10	7
r,, Pondicherry, Mad-	19	16	16	13	11	8

Passengers for London can obtain at Marseilles Railway tickets direct, either via Calais, Boulogne, or via Dieppe and Newhaven at the following rates,

Via Calais or Boulogne Fs. 175..

H. AUBER.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL Steam Navigation Company.

STEAMERS will leave Point de Galle on or about the following dates:

	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.
For Suez and	12	9	9	6	4	13
England	26	23	23	20	16 30	27
" Bombay	11	8	8	5	3	12
	11 25	8 22	22	19	15 29	26
" Madras &	11	8	8	5	25	14
Calcutta	25	22	22	19	3	28
					17	
" Straits &	12	9 23	9.	6	31	
China	26	23	23	20	4	1
					18	15
" Australia	26	23	23	20		29
					81	15

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY. .£65 To King George's Sound £30 Penang

RESERVED RATES. To Marseilles. To Southampton For a reserved cabin

‡ Transit through Egypt £4 10s. extra.

Children-above 3 and under 10 years, half of first class rates.
One child under 3 years, (if with Parent) free. To Marseilles. To Southampto ± 50

European Servants.....‡£48 (2nd class Passengers conveyed only un-der special circum-stances ‡ 50 .1 24 1 25 Native Servants

For further particulars apply to F. BAYLEY.

Point de Galle.

British India Steam Navigation Compan (LIMITED.) ONE OF THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL

LEAVE COLOMBO

FOR BOMBAY—Calling at Tuti-corin, Cochin, Calicut, Beypore, Cannanore, Mangalore and Carwar, 7th and 21st

FOR CALCUTTA—Calling at Galle,
Negapatam, Madras,
Cocon ada, Vizagapatam, Bimlipatam and
Tth and 21st Fopaulpore, on or about March ALSTONS, SCOTT & Co., March. Agents.

FOR LONDON.

MESSES. GREEN'S 13 Years A. I. Shir WINDSOR CASTLE," 1,074 Tons Register, OW LOADING and will be despatched about 15th March. Has excellent ecommodation Passengers, and carries a Surgeon.

For Freight or Passage, Apply on board to CAPTAIN DOUGLAS, or to J. M. ROBERTSON & Co.

Colombo, 24th February, 1870.

FOR LONDON DIRECT.

To sail about the 15th of February next. THE MERCHANTS SHIPPING Co.'s (Somes Bros., Blackwall) (SOMES BROS., BLACKWALL) favorite Passenger Ship "SALISBURY," A. I. 13 Years

1,113 Tons Register.

T. W. TRUE, Commander. Has excellent accommodation for Families and Invalids proceeding to England via the Cape. For freight or passage,

Apply to LEE, HEDGES & Co.,

FOR LONDON.

The A. I. Barque
"SPIRIT OF THE NORTH,"
Captain MATHEW,
571 Tons.
WILL load with despatch.
For Freight Apply to

GEORGE STEUART & Co., AGENTS. Colombo, 21s. February, 1870.

Steam for China and Japan.

TO FOLLOW the "Sakana" The Screw Steamer "TAZRU." Apply to

GALLE, 10th February, 1870.

For Jaffna, Trincomalee and Batticaloa.

J. GIBSON THOMSON & Co,.

THE SCHOONER "MEERA MOYDEEN SONNDANY" WILL load to the above ports on Monday, and will sail with

FOR LONDON.

VIA GALLE AND COLOMBO. The fine A. I. Iron Ship "RAJPOOT"

and will load with despatch, the greater portion of her Cargo being already engaged.

LEE, HEDGES & Co.,

Colombo, 12th February, 1870.

Sailing on or about the 26th Instant. The A. I. Ship 1,255 Tons, C. Hodder Commander For Freight or passage,

Apply to, C. SHAND & Co.

MARITIME DE SUEZ.

THE UNDERSIGNED have been appointed Teansit Agents at this port for the above Company, and will be glad to furnish any information in respect thereto on application at their Office. FRYER, SCHULTZE & Co.

SALES BY AUCTION. MESSRS. VENN & CO.

A RE instructed by J. F. Dickson, Esq., C. C. S., to sell at his residence, The "Rotunda," Colpetty, on Saturday, the 26th of February, at 12 noon:— WELL-KEPT TEAK, SATIN, AND JACKWOOD

Household Furniture, PLATE, GLASS, CROCKERY, PLATE, GLASS, CROCKERY, HORSES, VEHICLES, &c.

MESSRS, VENN AND CO.,

A RE instructed by Messrs. Ansron, Scorr & Co.
to sell on the Esplanade, on Friday, the
25th February, at 2 P. M.,

9 very first class well bred

MESSRS. VENN & CO., TILL sell on Thursday, the 24th of February, at 3 P. M., on the Esplanade. 12 COWS OF THE DURHAM STOCK,

2 PURE BERKSHIRE PIGS, 6 THOROUGH BRED FOX HOUNDS, from the Melbourne Pack, ALSO

TERRIERS, &c. On view at Darley Road.

MESSRS. VENN & CO., A RE instructed by Messrs. RUDD BROTHERS to sell by auction at the Esplanade, on Monday, the 28th Instant, at 2 o'clock.

46 AUSTRALIAN "HORSES nearly all thorough bred, and broken to Saddle

and Harness. MESSRS, VENN & CO.,

RE instructed to sell in separate lots, that HANDSOME TURN-OUT

A PAIR OF HANDSOME

An Excellent highly finished Mail Phæton, A PAIR OF HARNESS, COMPLETE, the property of J. D. Robinson, Eso.,

To be sold on Saturday, the 26th of February, at the sale of F. J. Dickson, Esq.

NOTICE.

INSOLVENT ESTATE OF

Machlachlan, Mackenzie & Co. FOREST LAND FOR SALE.

TO BE SOLD AT OUR OFFICE IN KANDY, or Tuesday, the 8th of March next, at 1 o'clock r. M., (by order of the Official Assignees) AN UNDIVIDED ONE-THIRD SHARE OF ALL THAT

The Ferhaue Estate, being 240 acres in extent, 50 of which have already been felled and are now ready for planting.

LEE, HEDGES & Co.

Colombo, 3rd February, 1879. FISCAL'S SALE.

Mutu Carupen Chetty......Vs. Mutu Samy Cangany

Kiriwanagode Copie watte, of about 2 amunams with the Buildings and plantations thereon, and Kalegolley Heney Copie watte of 2 amunams, situate at Udugode in Pallegamphae, of Lower Dumbera.

T. SKINNER. Fiscal

Fiscal's Office, Kandy, 1st February, 1870.

COLOMBO:-FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, 1870.

MERCANTILE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

EX "BRITOMART."

A RE NOW LANDING from the above Vessel a shipment of Reid & Co.'s Brown Stout IN WOOD, Orders registered.

COLOMBO AND KANDY. Allsopp & Sons EAST INDIA PALE ALE

IN HOGSHEADS.
Full to the Bung £7 15s—Cash

GENT'S HATS. Ex "BRITOMART."

CARGILL & Co. are now showing an assortment of GENT'S HATS of the newest styles, just received ex above vessel, comprising

Gent's Zephyr Satin Velvet Hats, GENT'S DRAB SHELL HATS CORK LINED GENT'S BLACK OXONIAN FELT ANGLESEA GENT'S DRAB OXONIAN FELT ANGLESEA. Gent's Black Oxonian Stiff Felt

Anglesea. GENT'S DRAB OXONIAN STIFF FELT AN-GLESEA.

GENT'S BLACK OXONIAN STIFF FELT ANGLESEA NO CURL, Gent's Black Hunter Hats,

GENT'S DRAB HUNTER HATS, GENT'S SAXONY SCOTCH CAPS, ASSORTED SHAPES.

CARGILL & Co.,

FOR SALE. At the Godowns of the Undersigned. CHAMPAGNE of the very finest quality in 1 dozen cases...... at 68s. 70s. 75s. SUPERIOR SHERRY—Blue Seal in 3 dozen

do. Yellow Seal in do 40s. do. do. Claret Maroon Seal in do 40s do. TATHAM and Co. Colombo, 16th September, 1869.

SUPERPHOSPHATE OF LIME. THE UNDERSIGNED have received per " Car L line" from JAMES MACMICKAN and Co., Melbourne, a trial shipment of the above valuable Manure, price here £15 per Ton. It is packed in bags.

Sole Agents in Ceylon. Colombo, 21st June, 1869.

E. J. BRAND & CO.'S WINES. CROWN SHERRY, Pale and Dry, in quarter Casks MADEIRA CLARET, Superior in one dozen Do. PORT, fine old

FINEST VERMOUTH Do. CURACOA Do. CROWN WHISKEY J. P. GREEN & Co.

FINE BONE DUST.

THE UNDERSIGNED having received a fresh A supply of Bones, are now prepared to register orders for BONE DUST, and to forward same upcountry when required. Samples forwarded on ap plication to C. SHAND and Co.

Slave Island Mills

NORTON'S PATENT TUBE, WELLS. Reduction in Prices.

IO FEET WELL AND PUMP FIXED £ 7 0 do do £12 0

THE undersigned having been appointed sole Agents in Ceylon for the above Wells, are now prepared to register orders for the same.

ALSTONS, SCOTT & Co., COLOMBO. R. J. DUNLO?,

MARTELL'S HENNESSY'S LA GRANDE MARQUE BRANDIES

ANDE MARQUE in one dozen Cases FINEST SPARKLING MOSELLE from A. Jordan, Coblenz. JUST LANDED EX "PALESTINE."

J. P. GREEN & Co.

FOR SALE. BY PRIVATE CONTRACT

Those Valuable Premises
In King Street, Colombo,

formerly occupied by the Bauk of
Hindustan.

THE HOUSE has been thoroughly repaire!, and
naw Godowns but to granter purposes; the
whole yielding a net rental of £240. For particulars apply to ARTHUR C. HOARE,

Attorney for Liquidators.
Bank of Hindustan, thina and Japan Limited.
in Liquidation. Kandy.

Manures and Chemicals. JOHN BENNET LAWES, F. R. S.,

59, Mark Lane, London,

has ready for delivery-Superphosphate of Lime. Dissolved Bones. Cane Manure. Coffee Manure, Sulphate of Ammonia Nitrate of Soda,

Peruvian Guano.
and all Chemical Manures of Value.
Manures can be prepared and shipped in small or
large, quantities for experiments, if required, also
Tartaric, Citric and Sulphuric Acids.

HAMS, CHEESE, AND BUTTER VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Undersigned have just received per steamer "WILLIAM MILLER." PRIME WILTSHIRE HAMS. STILTON AND CHEDDER CHEESE. FRENCH BUTTER IN TINS 21 lb, each.

Finest Breakfast Claret @ 18s. per dozen Cash.

REVOLVERS.

MESSRS. LEDWARD & Co. have just received per "Spirit of the North' A FEW SMITH AND WILSON'S CELEBRATED REVOLVERS ALSO

CARTRIDGES FOR SAME. SALTER'S IMPROVED CIRCULAR

SPRING BALANCES. To weigh 30 lbs. by ounces

25s. each. LEDWARD & Co.

NOW ON HAND FOR SALE No. 1 Babington in Office Cheroots in

Orders registered at lowest rates DELMEGE, REID & Co., Sole Agents for Ceylon.

FOR SALE. HOUR VALUABLE COFFEE ESTATES IN THE TRAVANCORE TERRITORY. For particulars, apply to

FOR SALE.

ALSTONS, SCOTT & Co.

HUNTLEY & PALMER'S CABIN BISCUITS in 4 lbs. & 2 lbs. Tins
Do. FANCY do. in 2 lbs. Tins ALSTONS, SCOTT & Co. Colombo, 3rd February, 1870.

FOR SALE.

A SSAM TEA IN 10 lbs. BOXES. @ 4s. P 1b. ALSTONS SCOTT & Co.

FOR SALE. COSEN'S ENGLISH BOTTLED SHERRY. Hemery's do

Huntley & Palmer's 4 lbs. Cabin Biscuits in Cases of 2 lbs. do in cases of 144 tins. 2 lbs. Fancy Biscuits in Cases of 144 tins. Ind Coope & Co.'s E. B. Beer in 4 doz. Cases.

ALSTONS, SCOTT & Co.,

JAIL GUNNY BAGS.

FOR SALE. "MERLIN," A thorough bred hunter, and weight carrier— for a lady. -broken

"WALWA," A handsome Iron Grey Cob, broken to harness, and to carry a lady. THE HORSES can be seen at Mr. RUDD's stables and Merlin's pedigree is with the undersigned, to whom apply for further particulars.

> FOR SALE. At the Godowns of the Undersigned. A Fresh Supply of the FINEST AUSTRALIAN FLOUR

VENN and Co.

in 50lb tins. at 16s 6d. LEE, HEDGES, & Co., Trincomalie Street. Kandy, 19th November, 1869.

BONE DUST.

A CARGO WILL SHORTLY ARRIVE FROM Messrs. Askunas & Co.'s NEW BONE MILLS
IN MELBOURNE.

THIS BONE DUST is guaranteed pure and of the best description, prepared at the above new and powerful Mills according to the latest improved mode, which gives it the advantage, that it acts quicker than usual, enabling Planters and others using it, to derive an immediate benefit from its

using it, to derive an immediate benefit from its application, which is much required in these times of progress and expensive labour.

The Ammonia (in the above) which is of animal substance is fairly developed, hence it does not remain inert, and therefore enables this bone dust to act as quick by as Peruvian Guano does, while its fertilizing qualities are much longer lasting in the

e price much lower. Orders for the above will be registered at £9 per ton, by DUNCAN, SYMONS & Co.

FOR SALE.

At the Godowns of the Undersigned, DIRST-CLASS ESTATE TOOLS, &c., Holing and Weeding Mamoties,

Cattles, Pruning Knives, Grass Knives, Briar "ooks, Nails from 1½" to 6," Coir Yarn.

LEE, HEDGES & Co. l'rincomalie Street, Kandy, 6th December, 1869.

FOR SALE.

THE "POONAGALLA" COFFEE ESTATE, in the District of Hapootelle. For particulars apply to F. SIKES.

Newera Ellia, 14th February, 1870. CAMP BEDS

DAMBEGASTELAVA,

FOR THE KRAAL: NICHOLLS & Co.

FOR SALE.

AUSTRALIAN BONE DUST

NOW LANDING and of the finest quality. GEORGE WALL & Co.

NOW LANDING Ex "Britomart." MARTELL'S O O O BRANDY of a selected vintage.

A SHIPMENT OF HEESE, HAMS, BUTTER, AND BACON NOW LANDING

Ex " Teviot." W. C. BRODIE & Co.

EX "BRITOMART."

S OLDIERS BLUE TUNICS, FOR COOLY COATS.
W. C. BRODIE & Co.

GENERAL NOTICES ENTERTAINMENT TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF

SUBSCRIBERS to the above are urgently requested to pay their subscriptions to any member of the Committee, to the undersigned, or into the ORIENTAL BANK, to the Credit of the Committee attending the construction. mittee, as the expenditure attending the construc-tion of the buildings can only be defrayed from

M. W. TOCKE,

S. R. WILLIAMS,

OVERLAND CEYLON TIMES WANTED COPIES OF THE "Overland Ceylon Times

OF JANUARY 11TH. A NY PERSONS having copies of this number and not requiring them, can have their value on forwarding them to the office of this paper Ceylon Times Office, Feb. 8th.

THE GAMPOLA DISPENSARY (Late DAVIDSON & Co.'s) WELL-STOCKED Medicine chests fitted up for Estates.

No. 5, KADUGANNAWA STREET, GAMPOLA. ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE UNDERSIGNED have been appointed Agents in Ceylon of the above Company. LEECHMAN & Co. Colombo, 12th January, 1870.

NOTICE. NOTICE is hereby given, that the rate of interest to be charged on Cash Credit Bonds terminable in one year, and collaterally secured by a Mortgage over the Coffee Crops of 1869—1870, has been fixed at 8 per cent.

cent.

By order of the Directors,
R. V. DUNLOP, Oriental Bank Corporation, Colombo 7th January, 1869.

MR. HARRY EMANUEL.

18, NEW BOND STREET, LONDON DIAMOND MERCHANT AND JEWELLER TO THE QUEEN, Begs to state that he is open to receive Consignments of Precious Stones and Pearls, either on Purchase or for Sale on Commission.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED are prepared to supply good steam Coal to Steamers calling at this Port, with quick despatch.

JOHN BLACK & Co., Galle, 21st January, 1870.

THE ROYAL VISIT SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT THE INDIAN SPORTSMAN.

Mr. J. D. Dougall. GUN AND RIFLE MANUFACTURER, St. James's Street, London,
Desires to bring into special notice the fact of his having had the sole charge of the equipment of H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH, for his present

voyage and visit to India. voyage and visit to India.

The unrivalled skill of the Advertiser in adapting Rifles and Shells of his own invention to Indian requirements, &c., &c., having obtained for him the patronage of their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and the Duke of Edinburgh, he now announces that all Indian orders are executed with the same care and fidelity as for the Royal Family. Drawings, Prices, &c., &c., post free on application.

MARAVILLA COCOA.-For Break MARAVILLA COCOA.—For Breakfast.—The Globe says "Various importers and
manufacturers have attempted to attain a reputation for their prepared Cocoas, but we doubt whether
any thorough success had been achieved until
Messrs. Taylor Brothers discovered the extraordinary
qualities of 'Maravilla' Cocoa. Adapting their
perfect system of preparation to this finest of all
species of the Theobroma, they have produced an
article which supersedes every other Cocoa in the
market. Entire solubility, a delicate aroma, and a
rare concentration of the purest elements of nutrimarket. Entire solubility, a delicate aroma, and a rare concentration of the purest elements of nutrition, distinguish the Maravilla Cocoa above all others. For homeopaths and invalids we could not recommend a more agreeable or valuable beverage." Sold in packets only by all Grocers, of whom also may be had Taylor Brothers' Original Homeopathic Cocoa and Soluble Chocolate. Steam Mills—Brick

NOTICE.

THE 'COMMISSIONERS of the Loan Board are prepared to lend money, at the rate of seven per cent, per annum, upon the security of Land as well as House Property, situated within the towns of colombo, Kandy and Galle.

Loan Office, Colombo, 18th December, 1869.

PARTICIPATION CHARENTAISE La Grande Marque Cognac LONDON OFFICES (for the trade only)-22 and 23,

GREAT TOWER STREET.

Mr. V. JOUANENT, Managing Director, Cognac for the U. K., London. THE largest holders of vintage 1865, and old Brandies of 1st growths. Blue labels 6 years. Yellow labels 11 years. Red, labels 14 years. White label from 18 to 40 years. labels 14 years. White label from 18 to 40 years. Orders registered for supplies in early vessels. J. GIBSON THOMSON and Co.

Galle, 15th December, 1869.

PRUNING KNIVES of the same approved make as those of the last season. MPORTED direct from Messrs. HARRISON BROTHERS and However BROTHERS and Howson. Orders of 5 dozen

and upwards delivered free on neighbouring Estates of Rambodde, Pussilawe, Kotmalie and Dimboola; also in Kandy, Gampola and Newera Ellia. Price 18s. per dozen. Apply to E. WOODHOUSE,

TITH REFERENCE TO THE PROGRAMME W already published for the landing of H. R. H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH, applicants for seats are informed, that tickets cannot be issued, before the completion of the necessary arrangements.

Applications will be received between the 20th and 27th March.

On behalf of the Landing Committee, G. W. CHAPMAN, Queen's House, Colombo, February 18th, 1870.

INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH

Company, Limited.

messages from this country to the United Kingdom. The charge for a message of ten words from Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, or any other place West of Chittagong, will be £1. 17. sterling. Messages intended for this line will be received at all the Government Telegraph Stations throughout India, and in order to insure their safe transmission should be marked by the sender via Indo-European.

London 31st January, 1870.

Note by Editor.—The above Advertisement was received by Telegram this day, and we cannot therefore guarantee the correctness of the rate given in the Telegram.

NOTICE.

OUR Mr. C. H. LEDWARD being about to leave Ceylon for a shorttime, begs to intimate to his friends and supporters that his business will during his absence be carried on as punctually and efficiently as heretofore, and that all Auction Sales that he may be favored with will be conducted by Mr. W. A. ARCHBALD.

LEDWARD & Co.

AT THE GODOWNS OF THE UNDERSIGNED THE FOLLOWING EXCELLENT SHERRIES White Seal Yellow Seal at 48s. per Dozen

Hoop Iron 11 in, 11 in, and 12 in.

KEPPEL JONES & Co. Colombo, Feb. 10, 1870.

TO BE LEASED. The Hangroogamua Coffee Estate, SITUATED IN THE MEDEMAHANEWERA DISTRICT,

The Lease will be for a Minimum term of ten years.

12th February, 1870.

Whyte & Co., (Late Trowell & Co.)

NOTICE. A GREAT WANT has hitherto been felt in Ceylon, by those interested in Natural History, and parties desirous of procuring, or sending

to Europe, specimens of our most interesting Fauna;—no means of preserving these have been at their command.

W. & Co. having procured the services of a competent party for this purpose, are now prepared to receive specimens of Birds, and the smaller Mammalia—the skins of which will be thoroughly

L W A Y S on hand a fresh supply of all the
MEDICINES in general use, and a
great variety of Patent Drugs and
preparations. Physician's prescriptions and family re-

comprising OILMANSTORES AND GENERAL GROCERIES, WINES, SPIRITS, BEER AND PORTER, SODA WATER & LEMONADE.

And a variety of Smoking Requisites PERFUMERY, STATIONERY, NOVELS, Diaries for 1870. GLASS-WARE, CROCKERY, CUTLERY, PLATED-WARE.

CONTENTS: CARTOON—"Which way has the Work gone." SOCIALS—Valentines Day, B. C. 64. Educational—What's in a name. Masonic Phantasies.

THE HOMEWARD MAIL No. 11. From Walker The Diary of a late Director General. VALENTINES—From a Royal Duke to his Royal Mother. From a confirmed Maniac.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED have been appointed Sole Agents in Ceylon for Sale of

Manufactured at their Mills, Yara Bank, Melbourn two cargoes are daily expected, orders registered

delivered free at Colombo Railway Station. LEE, HEDGES & Co.

Colombo, 4th February, 1870. FOR SALE.

at 42s. at 36s. at 30s. Red Seal Green Seal ALSO EX "BRITOMART" SHERRY in Quarter Casks and Hogsheads

Consisting of 388 acres, of which 278 acres are under Coffee and in full bearing,
14 acres in Grass, 61 acres
Pattana, and 35 acres

For further particulars Apply to GEORGE WALL & Co.

APOTHECARIES HALL, KANDY.

preserved and stuffed.
Charges will be moderate.

WHYTE AND CO. APOTHECARRIES HALL, KANDY.

cipes prepared with care. WHYTE & Co. have much confidence in draw-ing the attention of the public to their select assortments of GENERAL GOODS

TOBACCOS.

WHIPS, UMBRELLAS, AND CANDELSTICKS, &c. &c. &c. Kandy, 12th January, 1870. MUNIANDI, No. 14. NOW READY

De Lunatico. Ye Scribe of Baillie. A Definition—Mottoes.
A Hint to the Reception Committee.
Notices to Correspondents.

MESSRS. COLLINS & CO.'S PURE BONE DUST

PRICE £9 5s. PER TON

February 14th, 1870.

No. 50,402.
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KANDY

OTICE is hereby given, that on Monday, the 28th February, 1870, at one (1) o'clock, P. M., will be sold by Public Auction at the premises, the following property, belonging to the Defendant in the above case.

n. Please apply to
N. M. ROCHE VICTORIA

1,244 Tons Registe, J. Andrew, Commander.

EXPECTED from Galle about the 27th Instant,

FOR RANGOON.

Colombo, 19th February, 1870. COMPAGNIE UNIVERSELLE DU CANAL

Australian Horses, in fine working condition and qualification for general work.

A FEW KANGAROO HOUNDS,

consisting of INDIAN STUD-BRED BAYS,

CATALOGUES OF MR. DICKSON'S SALE are now ready, and the goods will be on view two days before the sale. VENN & Co.

ALLOTMENT OF LAND,
Situate in the Kotmalie District numbered 73,426
in the Government Plan, and known as

.....Plaintiff

Colombo, 18th February, 1870.

LEDWARD & Co.

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W. C. BRODIE & Co.

RAMBODDE.

FOR SALE. THAT USEFUL AND HANDSOME TURNOUT A POWERFUL BAY

AUSTRALIAN MARE. in good condition, young and free from vice. A ROOMY PALANQUIN CARRIAGE built by KROES, in good order.

AND A SET OF SILVER PLATED LONDON MADE HARNESS, almost new,

Price £100. ON VIEW AT ANY TIME IN THE COTTAGE. The property of our Mr. C. H. LEDWARD, who has temporarily left the Island.

LEDWARD & Co.

SEALED TENDERS

I L L be received by the Manager of the Oriental Bank Corporation, Colombo, up to noon on Monday, the 14th March, next, FOR THE ERECTION OF A RESIDENCE AND BANK HOUSE AT HALDAMULLE.

Copies of the Plans and specifications can be seen, between the hours of Eleven and Two o'clock each day (Mail days excepted) at the Oriental Bank Colombo, and at the Branch Banks at Kandy, Badulla and Haldamulle.

Badulla and Haldamulle.

Persons tendering must be prepared with approved security for the performance of the work.

Tenders to be addressed to the Manager of the Oriental Bank Corporation, Colombo, and to be marked on the outside "Tenders for the Haldamulle Bank House."

The Manager does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any other tender.

R. V. DUNLOR

R. V. DUNLOR,

Oriental Bank Corporation, Colombo, 15th February, 1870.

Oriental Bank Corporation. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER)

PAID UP CAPITAL £1,500,000 RESERVED FUND £444,000

Bead Offices:—Threadneedle Street, London, OFFICES IN CEYLON. COLOMBO, KANDY, GALLE, JAFFNA. BADULLA

NEWERA ELLIA, and HALDUMULLE

THE CORPORATION are prepared to issue and purchase at any of the above offices Drafts on the following places at rates that may be ascertained on application:

Bombay, Calcutta, Caylon, Foodhoofoo, Hongkong Kurrachee, Madras, Mauritius, Melbourne, Negapatam, Pondicherry, Shanghai, Singapore, Sydney and Yokohama.

They draw on the Bank of England (on demand Union Bank of London, Bank of Sootland London, and on the

and on the National Bank of Scotland, Provincial Bank of Irelan Commercial do do National Bank do

National Bank of Scotland, Provincial Bank of Irelan Commercial do do National Bank do British Linen Company and on Paris and California,
They also issue Circular Notes and Letters of Credit for the use of traveller.,
No Drafts are issued on Mail days.
The following are the Rates ruling for Family Remittances by the next mail to England.

6 months sight— Par.

4 " " ½ o/o Premium.

3 " " 1 o/o "
2 " " 1½ o/o "
Demand 2½ o/o "
They receive money from Depositors on current accounts and at 1, 2 and 6 months' notice of withdrawal.

drawal.

They are prepared to discount at current rates for constituents, approved Local Bills not having more than four months to run. Such Bills are required to be lodged with the Manager before 12 o'clock. If sent in later they will be retained until next day for considerate they will be retained until next day for the sent of the sent o

CASH CREDITS. They are also prepared to grant advances on Cash Credit Bonds, collaterally secured, on terms specially adapted to the requirements of Planters and Agents. Particulars may be obtained on application at the Colombo Office.

R. V. DUNLOP. Colombe, 8th November, 1869 Acting Manager.

BANK OF MADRAS.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Hon'ble William Rierson Arbuthnot, of Messra buthnot & Co., President.

F. Lushington, Esq., Accountant General.
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THE BANK will negociate Bills, and issue Drafts drawn on demand, on the above places, and on the Head Office and Branches of the Banks of Bengal and Bombay, at rates to be ascertained at it e office.

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JAMES ROBERTSON, Colombo, 1st January, 1869.

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MESSRS. LEDWARD & Co., will sell at their Rooms on Saturday the 26th instant, at 12 o'clock,

38 Bolts Canvas more or less damaged. 50 DOZEN PLAYING CARDS. 8 do SHERRY.

&c. Also A PERSIAN ARAB HORSE. broken to Harness and suitable for hiring purposes.

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WILL open about the 10th of March, a full assortment of

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Colombo, 24th February, 1870. TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS. KEARSLEY'S ORIGINAL WIDOW WELCH'S FEMALE PILLS.

long celebrated for their peculiar virtues, are strongly recommended as a safe and valuable medicine in removing obstructions and relieving other inconveniences to which the female frame is liable; especially those which at an early period of life frequently arise from want of exercise and general debility of the system.

Purchasers should see that each box is wrapped in white paper, and has C. KEARSLEY, printed on the Government stamp.

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Price 2s. 9d. per box. May be had of all Chemists
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a certain remedy for insect bites, tan, sunburns, or any roughness of the skin; in bottles 1s. 1½d., sold everywhere. J. SANGER & SONS, 150, OXFORD STREET, LONDON.

HARNESS AND SADDLERY. THE UNDERSIGNED having received a fresh supply of Materials per Steamer via Suez Canal, are prepared to execute orders for Harness, &c. LEDWARD & Co.

FISCAL'S SALE. No. 54,660. IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF COLOMBO. Naakandelegey Don Carolis......Plaintiff.

A. YOUNG ADAMS, Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Colombo, 24th February, 1870.

MACMEIRAN & Co.'s SUPERPHOSPHATE OF LIME. ALSTONS, SCOTT & Co.

EX "NARDOO."

Colombo, 24th February, 1870.

POSTAL NOTICE.

A REDUCTION of Postage on Letters exchanged betweed the United Kingdom and Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick and the United States, of America having taken place, the Postage to be collected in Ceylon on Letters addressed to these places, will be as follows:—

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General Post Office, Colombo, 18th February, 1870. Ex "Queen of the West."

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SALE OF CROWN LANDS.

AT COLOMBO KACHCHERI. On the 8th March 1870 Salpiti Korale.—75 lots from 10 perches to 2 acres each, situated in Dematagoda of Pallepattu, adjoining and within 1 mile East of the North and South Base Line.

AT KANDY KACHCHERI. On the 9th March, 1870. Udunuwara District.-1 lot of 5 acres, situated in

Ganhata of Kandupalata. AT NUWARA ELIYA KACHCHERI. On the 30th March, 1870.

Nuwara Eliya District.—8 building lots, situated at Nuwara Eliya Bazaar. at Nuwara Eliya Bazaar.

Do—2 lots of 24 acres each, situated in the Moon Plains of Nuwara Eliya. Adjoining and on the North East of Baker's Farm.

Kotmale District.—7 lots from 4 to 12 acres each, situated in Nuwara Eliya of Udapana Korale. Adjoining the Nanu Oya, and within 2 miles from the Town of Nuwara Eliya.

AT ALUTNUWARA KACHCHERI.

On the 30th March, 1870. On the 30th March, 1870.

Badulla District.—25 lots, situated in Karupe and Harabora. Adjoining and on each side of the road from Alutnuwara to Laggalla, and about 2 miles, North of Alutnuwara Rest House.

On the 30th March, 1870.

Kotmale District.—1 lot of 9 acres, situated in Kudawa of Udapana Korale. Adjoining the Kuda Oya and Mr. Drecksy's land.

Kotmale District.—6 lots from 4 to 142 acres each, situated in Udagama of Udapana Korale. Adjoining and on the East of Gongala, Gigiran Oya, Queensberry and Bogahawatta Coffee Estate.

AT GALLE KACHCHERI

AT GALLE KACHCHERI. On the 8th March, 1870. Galle District.—40 lots from 14 perches to 6 acres each, situated in Godakanda, Narawela, Kapuhenpella, and Wattarooka, within the Four Gra-

vets of Galle AT KURUNEGALA KACHCHERI. On the 11th March, 1870.

Kurunegala District.—20 lots from ½ to 10 acres each, situated in Walahamulla, Badabadda Narangoda, Kadugalpitiya and Kongoda of Hewawissa Korale. Further particulars respecting the land may be obtained at the Surveyor General's Office and respecting the conditions of sale at the Offices of the

J. G. JERVOIS. Acting Surveyor General.
Surveyor General's Office,
Colombo, 22nd February, 1870. FOR SALE.

GLASS TILES.

Colombo, 22nd February, 1870.

Apply to RUDD BROTHERS.

LOST. A WHITE AND BLACK FOX HOUND. A reward will be given by the undersigned for his recovery. G. W. RUDD.

Colombo, 25th February, 1870. POSTPONEMENT.

THE SALE OF

THREE DWELLING HOUSES AND A GARDEN.

Nos. 54, 55, 57 and 58, KEW HOUSE STREET, ADJOINING RIFLE LINES. A DVERTISED by Messrs. VENN & Co. for Saturday 26th Instant is postponed till Saturday 5th proximo, at 3 r.m. Sale to take place on the spot.

Title deeds will be produced.

F. NEWMAN, J. S. FINDLAY, Trustees of the Estate of OSSEN LEBBE MARCAR

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இரதமாதம் உஅ. தகதி சனிக்குழ் பை விரபனவுக்கென அ வெனதுரைக கும்பினியார் பாகித்தம்பணணின் கை ஒ வில கூறாகு அருத்த கியு அவுஸ்தெ ருவில்ளை 54, 55, 57, 58. ம கொடி பாவீகள் வருகிருமாதம் இ. த தொதி சனிக்கிழமை கூ. உணிச**ு அந்த**் இடத தில்தானே விரகப்படும்.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

COLOMBO. ARRIVALS.

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Feby. 21—American Schooner Moses Williamson, E. P. Lake, 370 tons, from Chittagong 5th Instant, cargo Rice. do 22—British Barque Queen of the West, J. Jusslin, 424 tons, from London 29th October, 1869, cargo general—Capt. Juslin reports to have signalized on the 4th instant, the ship Peroy Douglas from Colombo to London out 17 day, Lat. 10° 10' S. & Long. 84° 0' E. and on the 15th inst. Ship Ghasespore, from Liverpool to Calcutta out 76 days. Lat. 3° 45' North and Long. 84° 30' East. DEPARTURES.

Feby. 22—British Steamer Oriental, A. Irvine, 1006 tons, bound to Malabar Coast and Bombey, cargo general—Passengers, Measrs. T. Wright, J. Massey, T. S. Mortimer and T. Gibbee, Mr. and Mrs. Pestonjee, I infant and 2 children and 49 deck.

do do—British Steamer Arabia, The. Sanders, 698 tons, bound to Madras and Calcutta, cargo general—Passengers, 11 Privates 73rd Regt., and 18 deck.

do 24—British Barque Eliss Leing, E. Jones, 441 tons, bound to London, cargo general.

GALLE.

ARRIVALS. Feby 22—British Barque Hilsrion, from Cardiff. do. 23—British Steamer Arabia, from Bombay—Pas-engers, 1 serjeant, wife & child, 10 privates 73rd regiment

sengers, I serjeant, wife & child, 10 privates 73rd regiment and 3 deck.

do. do—British Steamer Salsette, from Bombay Passengers for Galle, Messrs. Brown & Hawder & 13 natives.

Feby. 24—British Barque Bride, from Sunderland 10th October, 1869.

do do—German Barque Laura and Gertrude, from Cardiff 10th October 1869—Passengers Mrs. Poppellen, son

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 22—H. M. Steamer Sir John Lawrence, for Calcutta.
do 23—British Steamer Geelong, for Australia—Passengers from Galle, Revd. Colomb, Measrs Mussteux, Skeene, Lockie, and those from the Simia, Deccan, Mositan and Salestie.

do 23—British Steamer Geslong, for Australia—Passengers from Galle, Revd. Colemb, Messars Mussteux, Skeene, Lockie, and those from the Simia, Deccan, Mositan and Salestie.

do do—British Steamer Deccan, for Calentia—Passengers as on arrival, and from Galle, I native and those from the Geslong and Orissa.

do do—British Steamer Orissa, for Bombay—Passengers as on arrival, and from Galle, Messrs. Dalsill, Fortestas on arrival, and from Galle, Messrs. Dalsill, Fortestas on arrival, and from Galle, Messrs. White, Bissett, Joshua, Smith and Laurie, I native and these from the Geslong, Swrat and Orissa.

do do—British Steamer Arabia, for Calcutta—Passengers as on arrival, and those from the Deccan, and Geslong.

do do—British Steamer Arabia, for Calcutta—Passengers from Galle, 2 natives.

do do—British Steamer Indian Chief, showed her number in passing to Westward.

do 24—British Steamer Indian Chief, showed her number in passing to Westward.

do 24—British Steamer Opher, for Calcutta.

Feby. 25—British Barque Opher, for Calcutta.

TELEGRAPHIC STEAMER REPORTS. From Trincomalee, 23d Feby. 1-30 p. m.
H. M. Ship 'Star,' sailed for Nicobar Island this morning.
From Galle, 25th Feby., 1-45 p. m.
H. M. Steamer Star, from Trincomalie anchored.

INDO-EUROPEAN MESSAGES. atest date received from the United Kingdom (on mes-es addressed to Galle) up to 12 noon of to-day is the sages addressed to Galle, 18th Instant 11-5 a. m.

PASSENGERS BY THE GALLE COACH. Feby. 22—Mr. L. Bearteaux, Mr. R. V. Dunley, and Mr. D. D. Ranesinghe from Galle,
do. 28—Mr. A. H. Fryer, and servant to Galle.
do. Major Bell, Mr. Felton, Mr. West, Mr. F. Karunaratne. and Mr. Anstruther, from Galle.
do. 24—Capt. Noyes, and Mr. H. A. Fernando, to Galle.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES. BIRTHS.

February 22nd, at Galle, the wife of the Revd. D. D. erera, Wealeyan Minister, of Pantura, of a daughter. At Gallah, on the 21st February, Mrs. W. Cameron, of daughter.

February 24th, at St. Philip Neri's Church, by the Revd. C. J. B. Fernando, G. A. Dias, Medical Practitioner, Matale, to Eliza Harriet Ford.

February, 24th, at St. Philip Neri's Church, by the Revd. C. J. B. Fernando, Richard Gregory Andriesz, to Eliza Margaret, third daughter of Mr. M. Fernando of the Public Works Department.

DEATHS. February 20th, after a long illness, Mary Cicilla, eldest and beloved daughter of S. D. Thwaites, Esq., Survey Department, Bentots, aged two years and two months. On the 17th Jan. at Sugwas Court, Herefordshire, of bronchitis, after a few days' illness, Louisa Sophia, wife of W. C. Gibson, Esq., C. M. G., late Colonial Secretary of Ceylon. Ceylon.

Jan. 6, at Olan Bryn, Leamington, Mary Cecillia Gibson eldest daughter of the late Lewis Gibson, Esq.; formerly of Ceylon, and of the Colonial Audit office, London.

At Pettah, Colombo, our the afternoon of the 23rd instant, Frederick Godfreid De Franss, leaving behind a young wife and child.

Mails in March 1870, according to date.

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MADRAS & CALCUTTA. Imperatrice. Surat. Simla. England & Mediterranean. Straits & China. Orissa. AUSTRALIAN COLONIES &c. These days are Sundays: Letters &c., will be forwarded, as usual, to Galle, where the Mails will be made up by the Packet Agent next day. Avoca.

TO CORRESPONDENTS

"MR. J. C. A. MORTIER" should consult his legal adviser on the subject of the property in question.
"R. S. T." writes too wide of the mark to render his letter of any value.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Throat Affections.—All the varieties of these distressing complaints may be readily and affectively treated by rubbing this Ointment twice a day upon the neck and chest, and supperting the strength by suitable nourishment. By this simple means diptheria, ulcerated and relaxed throat, irritation of the wind pipe, quinsey, and all glandular enlargements will have their progress arrested and the destruction they have caused repaired. Holloway's Ointment is the most trustworthy remedy for all internal and external throat ailments, and may be safely and effectively employed in every case without regard to seasan, sex, age, or constitution. It is highly extrolled for its ready cures of spasmodic coughs, chronic hoarseness, and disagreeable discharges from the throat and nose.

The Ceylon Times.

COLOMBO, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1870.

TELEGRAPHIC ITEMS.

Special for the Ceylon Times. London, February 15th 1870.

The Colonies discussed in the House of Lords, Lord Cairns animadverting on the omission of the topic from the Queen's speech. Lord Carnarvon introduced the subject of the withdrawal of troops from New Zealand. Earl Granville replied that the troops were removed to test the ability of the Colony to defend itself. England would never desert her Colonies.

A motion is to be brought formed in the Commons nextmonth, in reference to the Colonies.

Februaay 18th, 1870. Disturbances are reported in Paris, but of no continuance. The military were not call-

The Empress is said to be ill. The Irish Land Bill meets with general

Calcutta .- no date. The Dake of Edinburgh and the Viceroy will meet at Jubbelpore on the 7th March when the line of railway will be opened right through, connecting Calcutta with Bombay.

QUOTATIONS OF PRODUCE IN THE LONDON MARKET BY LATEST TELEGRAMS.

Coffee-Plantation Middling, 74s. Native good ordinary, 54s.— (?58) Cotton—Tinnevelly good fair, 98d. Cocoanut Oil 43s.

A PECULIAR USAGE.

Now that the Tuticorin season is fairly at an end, and before any new transactions are commenced, we think it incumbent on us to offer a few remarks on a peculiar usage which although sanctioned by the practice of many years, has nothing in it to commend itself, but, on the contrary, is fraught with serious incon-

venience and occasionally with some loss. We allude to the usage of cash advances to Chetties in Colombo on account of contracts for the delivery of Tinnevelly Cotton at Tuticorin. The question of the proportion of advance to be made to native contractors came under the consideration of the Chamber last year, and some improvement was effected in that respect: it is not however to this aspect of the matter we would now refer, but to the extreme difficulty—amounting often to an impossibility—attending the verification of the bona fides of any of the Colombo native Agencies. In almost all cases the Chetties of Colombo are not dealers on their own account, but act as Agents of certain firms on the op-posite coast of India. This would not be so awkward a circumstance were it not that these reputed Agents are constantly flitting from our town, being succeeded by others as unknown personally in this place as were their prede-

As matters now stand, the Colombo Merchant who wishes to contract for the supply of a certain quantity of Cotton, has very frequently to deal with a Chetty who professing to be the Agent of a Tuticorin Firm, is entirely unknown to him or his broker. He has no alternative but to pay several thousands of pounds to a native dealer who probably ment will perform this evening the following selection:—

In the event of Cotton remaining in the technical language of commercial men "steady," or taking what is professionally known as a "downward tendency," the quantity of cotton bargained for with the lightly clad Oriental, will in all probability be delivered to the venturesome purchaser, but, on the other hand, should this article of produce take it into its head to "look up" or become buoyant or perform any of those other acts of agility which commercial men superstitiously attribute to inert bodies, then the said contracting merchant is heard to whistle audibly and lugubriously for those thousand bales of good fair Tinnevelly for which he is most unfairly des tined never to make up an invoice. On enquiry it is found that the Colombo Agent has gone to the Coast," a term so exceedingly vague and embracing such a vast extent of country that its extreme limits have never as yet been defined, his supposed Coast Firm

being in technical parlance "nowhere."
We would suggest that this matter is one well deserving the attention of the Chamber of Commerce, and shall hope to find the members of that body taking some action in the matter before the opening of the new

Cotton season. IRRIGATION IN THE SOUTHERN PROVINCE.

In a former issue of this paper we gave some particulars of the Irrigation work in course of construction at Kakenadure near Matara, pointing out at the same time, the benefits derived from them by the inhabitants of the adjacent villages.

There is besides this work the Bund at Denegam by the repair of which the tank at that place called "Wepotame" capable of containing sufficient water for the irrigation of fourteen hundred acres of land, also bunds being thrown across the Denegam Oya with the view of damming up that stream and so forcing its waters over a low saddle into Wepotawewe. By this means a reservoir of water will be formed having a head of fully twenty feet for the irrigation of the adjacent lands hitherto cultivated under the most disadvantageous circumstances, and as the Denegam Oya is constantly replenished by streams taking their rise in the hilly country of the interior fed by rains, there is no fear that the water supply for this tank will fail. The bund across the course of this river will be a fine work twelve chains in length, and thirty-nine feet high in the lowest part of the valley. There is another bund much shorter and only twenty-six feet high, across another portion of the valley, in which there is a twenty-four inch sluice to allow of the irrigation of the Denegam valley. The other bund now com-pleted will contain two sluices of two feet each in size, one at a low, the other at a high level, to enable an extensive tract of fields in their rear to be irrigated.

A third but smaller tank is situated lower

the vicinity who to this time could never depend upon their crops.

The original intention in regard to these works was that the people should have executed the earthworks, whilst the governmen would have supplied the sluices and masonry work under a special clause in the Irrigation Ordinance. But it soon became apparent that the appulation thinged out in property of the state of th that the population thinned out in numbers and reduced in strength by sickness, was un-equal to the task of the the earthworks: further village meetings were convened and the government was asked to undertake the whole work on the usual terms.

We hope the remaining works pointed out

in the Irrigation Committee's report as requir-ed for this part of the island, will be seen to as soon as these are out of hand. We allude to the works at the Wallawe and at Tissa Maha Rama reported on nearly a dozen years ago by Mr. Parsons, then Assistant Agent at Hambentotte, the former urged by Mr. Birch in 1866. Any one who has passed through the tract of country extending northwards from Matura to near the limits of the Batticaloa district, must have been struck with the desolate appearance of the fields, and the wretched condition of the natives. It is indeed difficult to imagine how many of them manage to wring a subsistance from the parch-ed ground, or where their cattle find pas-tuage on which to sustain their feeble lives. For some years past rain has rarely fallen for more than three or four months in the twelve: it is manifest therefore, that what these regions need is water, and inasmuch as it cannot be obtained on the spot, it must be brought thither by means of irrigation works. The same means which in many parts of India have converted the wilderness into gardens, and brought back fertility and with it prosperity, can be made available here. By the diversion of the Walawe stream by means of dams and channels, a tract of land at present imperfectly cultivated and owing to constantly recur-ring droughts, yielding most uncertain crops, would be rendered independent of seasons, and secure to the cultivators a yearly crop of upwards of forty thousand bushels of paddy, or twenty thousand bushels of rice. To secure this result an outlay of some £6,000 would suffice, and we cannot imagine any work more

promising in results than this. The proposed operations at Tissa Maha Rama would be on a far larger scale, and of a different nature: they would necessitate an outlay of about £ 15,000 on the restoration of a tank which would be entirely for the irrigation of land the property of the Crown. The description of this spot and the advantages to be derived from a restoration of the works have been dwelt upon with much force by Mr. Parsons, whose opinions were endorsed by the late Sir Henry Ward after a visit to the spot and further by Mr. Harrison in his professional report. There being but scant population in the neighbourhood and the reclamation of the adjacent land being therefore, a work of time and dependant on immigration, this promising undertaking has never been taken in hand. No doubt that if once begun it would attract large numbers of natives from the adjoining districts, indeed there are offers for four thousand acres of crown land about the tank, and twice that amount would soon be taken up. We trust therefore, that the Governor will see fit to visit the spot at no distant date, and form his own opinion on this great work, aided as his judnment will be by the light of experience gained during the past few years.

England has performed a most timely act of graceful thoughtfulness in deputing one of its royal Princes to visit the United States of America at this particular juncture, in order to be present at the funeral of that good American—that inestimable citizen of the world, George Peabody. Let us hope that the act may not be misconstrued, that it may be received in the spirit of earnest cordialty which inspired the movement, and so be the silent means of stilling some of the unquiet passions which have stirred the breasts of many amongst our transatlantic consins.

THE BAND.—The Band of the 73rd Regi-

pounds to a native dealer who probably possesses no more personal effects than a rupee's worth of extremely hazy grey cloth cut in half, and made to do duty as some slight improvement on the primeval fig-leaf.

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COFFEE .--- In our last we quoted Native Coffee COFFEE.—In our last we quoted Native Coffee in the London Market at 548, being 38 below the previous telegraphic quotations: the figure occurred in a telegram of the 15th February: another message received this morning but without pate, quotes Native Coffee to arrive 59s so that it is not easy to decide the exact that of the home market at this date. The state of the home market at this date. same telegram gives the sale of Happotella Coffee, No. 2 size, at 83s. To-day a sale was made in Colombo of *Plantation parchment* at 12s 9d, and yesterday of *Ordinary Garden* Parchment at 118 73d.

THE ORIENTAL BANK.—We learn that Mr. J. Duff Dawson, the present Agent of the Oriental Bank in Kandy, will shortly proceed to take charge of the Branch of this Bank at Madras, much to the regret of residents in the Central Province. Pending the return of Mr. Dick, we believe that Mr. Gabriel Ross will act as Kandy Agent. We read in the London and China Express of January 28th that some of the principal shareholders in the Oriental Bank are endeavouring to reinstate Mr. Gordon at the Board. His connection with the Bank from its commencement is a sufficient reason for his return, now that the decision of the law Court has completely restored public confidence in him, a confidence none who knew him ever lost.

LABOUR.—An up-country correspondent writing on the subject of labour says:—The labour difficulty must be great when one hears of Head Canganies being offered £5 a month for 100 men, \$\frac{1}{2}\text{d}\text{.} per man for all above that number, and 30s. for Store work, in all not much short of £10 a-month, and this besides the pay of the working Canganies! In another case I heard of of a Head Cangany leaving an estate with his men because he was refused £50 per annum. a servant and a LABOUR. - An up-country correspondent writrefused £50 per annum, a servant and a bushel of rice! It must be remembered too that these terms are for coolies on the estate, of whom perhaps, not more than two-thirds may be working. I wonder what we shall come to next! And yet we hear of gentlemen declaring at the Planters' Association that there is or need be no lack of labour!

THE GALLE HARBOUR WORKS .- Writing from the Southern Province a professional correspondent says, "There appears to have been an error in the local estimates for this work which has escaped notice: I allude to the item of "Contingencies" which on estates, and Government works is generally estimated at 10 o/o has been put down on this special work at 5 o/o, instead of as one would have thought 20 0/0. I think Mr. Harrison is wrong in one particular, and that the stone will blast freely enough: hard, brittle, stone generally comes away more easily in blasting than a softer, tougher rock, I have quarried, and transported stone for half a mile on elephant truck, and A third but smaller tank is situated lower down the Hakmane plain, now being enlarged and provided with sluices. It contains only about thirty acres of water but has a very good head. All these works are now nearly completed, and being in the built closely and regularly at 3/0. per c. y. all non-effective charges included, and have not unfrequently upon extensive works done if at 2/9. So that 3/4. as estimated by the Committee may be considered a fair rate. Stone is plentiful enough at Galle in the Court-house, and at 8 o'clock the "Ouvah

centre of a populous district greatly in need of water for cultivation, will confer considerable advantages on the agriculturists in worked readily and economically enough, and proper mechanical appliances should be worked readily and economically enough, within the period named by the Director of Public Works.

Public Works.

I may as well mention, what I believe very few persons know, which is, that previous to his departure to Europe, Mr. Molesworth put on the Diving Dress, and descending to the bottom of the Harbour, made a careful inspection to the process that have to be blasted the of the rocks that have to be blasted, the result of which was a conviction that they may all be removed for £1,000.

BRIBERY REWARDED .- A case was decided recently at the Panwela Court in which a certain Pilicurala (petty headman) figured as ac-cused arising out of a late robbery of Estate Coffee mentioned by us some time ago. The facts appear to be these:---Some cartmen who were engaged to convey a quantity of coffee belonging to Mr. Proctor sold part of the same on the road at Huricadua some five miles from Panwille. This coming to the notice of the Gamahay who took the cartmen into custody and threatened to charge them before the Ratamahatmeya Mr. Hullangoda if they would not immediately pay him the sum of one Pound. The frightened cartmen consented and a boutique keeper undertook to pay the bribe for them. The cartmen were how-ever soon after taken up by the Police and the illegal proceeding were traced by Police Ser-jeant Amat. The Gamayah was taken into custody and the case prosecuted before the Panwille Court. The evidence was very clear and Mr. Wrugg sentenced to three months imprisonment with hard labor and to pay a fine of £5.

THE KANDY A. B. C. CLUB.

We have much pleasure in giving insertion to the proceedings of a General Meeting of the Members of the A. B. C. Club held at Kandy on the 18th February, and would notice the liberality of Messrs. Shelley and Shand who have come forward in such a handsome manner in support of the Athletic Sports of the Central Province, by the presentation of

the Central Province, by the presentation of a Challenge Cup.

Present.—G. Denis B. Harrison Esq., C. Caulfield Esq., S. Shelley Esq., Capt. Hawthorn R. E., Capt. Coxe C. Armstrong Esq. J. L. Shand Esq., A. C. Hoare Esq., Treasurer T. Skinner, Esq.

Proposed by Capt. Coxe and seconded by S. Shelley Esq.

Shelley, Esq.

That Mr. Harrison be requested to take the chair. The Chairman opened the proceedings by moving that a vote of thanks be accorded to Messrs. Shand and Shelley, for their liberality in presenting the Club with a silver Challenge

Carried unanimously.

Carried unanimously.

Proposed by S. Shelley, Esq., seconded by J. L. Shand, Esq.

That this cup be given as a challenge cup for the one mile race, to be held by the winner for one year, at the end of which time a miniature cup, to be paid for trances for the race, shall be presented to the winner. Carried unanimously.
Proposed by A. C. Hoare, Esq., seconded

That the Sports of the Club be held this year on the 31st of March and two following Carried.

y Capt. Hawthorn, R. E.

Proposed by Captain Hawthorn, seconded by C. St. George Caulfield, Esq.

That a Meeting of the Members of the Club be held on Saturday the 2nd of April next, to make arrannements for the distribution of

Proposed by A. C. Armstrong, Esq., seconded by J. L. Shand, Esq.
That the colors of the A. B. C. Club be a

ibbon of dark blue and yellow thus.half an inch dark bluehalf an inch vellow half an inch dark blue.

T. SKINNER,

APPROACHING MARRIAGE IN HIGH LIFE. The Court Journal of January 15th., has the following paragraph. "A large circle of friends will be interested to hear that Miss Nellie Robinson, the lovely and amiable daughter of the Governor of Ceylon, Sir Hercules, and the Hon. Lady Robinson, is engaged to be married to Captain Edward Beauchamp St. John of the 73rd Regiment, now stationed at

Ceylon, FIRE IN THE CINNAMON GARDENS. -Last night between the hours of 9\frac{1}{2} and 10 a fire broke out in the Cinnamon Gardens, and continued burning till nearly one in the morning. The blaze could have been seen as far as Slave Island, Mr. Inspector Peries was desired to place 2 or 3 Constables at the spot so that in case of necessity the alarm might be given.

CRICKET IN CALTURA.—A Correspondent writes.—"On Saturday the 19th inst: a match was played at Caltura, between the Caltura Junior Cricket club, and the soldiers of the Cey on Rifle Regiment who were on their way to Galle. The Calture eleven having won the toss, sent in the Rifle soldiers. The bowling of Mr. Van Cuylenburg and Mr. Stephen very soon knocked down the wickets, the last falling for 16.—The Caltura eleven then scored 54 of which 40 were made by Mr. Van Cuylenburg and Mr. De Hoedt. The Riffe soldiers had hoped to have made up in their second innings, but the bowling was again too much for them, and the last wicket fell for 29. The (altura eleven therefore won in one Innings with 19 runs to spare.

BADLLA GAITIES. - Badulla was on Monday

last, again the scene of gaiety and festivity.
The occasion of so large a gathering was the first Concert and Dramatic performance given by the Members of the "Ouvah Lyric and Dramatic Society"—This however, was not the only attraction; for notice had been given that a general meeting and Sports in connection with the Ouvah A. B. C. Club would be held on that afternoon. At the time intimated the Rest-house was crowded to over-flowing, Mr. Campbell, in the absence of the president, occupied the chair. We have much pleasure in congratulating this club on the success that has attended it since its formation. The idea of forming such a club arose in May last, when a few gentlemen met at Lunagalla to play a game at cricket. Residents in Happotelle—in and near Badulla, were asked to join—they heartily responded, and now there are over seventy members. Before adjourning to a piece of ground that had been gaily decorated with flags &c. where the sports were held, the with flags &c. where the sports were held, the members were photographed in a group by Mr. Owen of Happotelle—a copy of which has been promised to us, and from what we hear will be a very successful picture. The sports passed off with great eclat—the presence of so many ladies doubtless being an incentive for the competitors to do their utmost to become victors. The "carrying" utmost to become victors. The "carrying" and "two legged" races afforded much amusement to the spectators. Mr. Baillie acted as starter and Mr. Rankin as judge—too much credit cannot be accorded to these gentlemen, for their exertions to make all pass off successfully. The afternoons' amusement ended in a game at football, in which both Europeans

Lyric and Dramatic Society' commenced to play its part. The first piece was an Overture played by Messrs. Cruwell (president of the Society, Crowe and Hick; followed by the farce Society, Crowe and Hick; followed by the farce "More free than welcome" in which Messrs. Hick, King, and Edwards took the characters. This can scarcely be called a success. The actors evidently had not rehearsed the piece sufficiently—a want of confidence being very perceptible; with the character of "Snoozy" little fault can be found, and the apothegem "Stop him Snoozy" excited the risible faculties of the audience in no slight degree. The quartettes rendered by Messrs. Cruwell, Gunter, Crowe, King, Hick and Brown were thoroughly appreciated—Mr. Hick sang "The horrible tale" in character, and was loudly encored. The evening's performance ended with the laughable farce "Number one round the corner." Considering the inability of the performers to meet often for practice, the whole formers to meet often for practice, the whole thing was a fair success. On the departure of the ladies, Captain Garioch mustered his "Geddeons band" and marched to the hospital where a sumptuous repast was provided. Mr. Edwards in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Cruwell took the chair--the usual toasts were given---several songs sung, and the com-pany parted, none regretting having taken a part either as an active member or spectator at the first performance of the Ouvah Lyric and Dramatic Society.

IN EXPLANATION.-In the obituary notice of Mr. E. J. Darley, we regret that a paragraph should have occurred, conveying a mean ing other than that intended. In speaking of the confidence the London Correspondents of the first firm with which he was connected | a | in Mr. Darley, we did not mean to insinuate aught against the other members of that firm, living or dead. Indeed, there is no doubt that every possible confidence would have been placed in them had an opportunity occuried. Examiner.

More Complications .- The Northern Province appears fated to be the scene of continued complications: this time however, the locale is in the Northern capital itself, and the matter has assumed a more judicial form than did the Manaar business. The complication to which we allude has arisen out of circumstances in connection with a Will case, which stances in connection with a Will case, which our readers may remember was alluded to in our columns some 'ew weeks ago. The Will in question had been decreed by the late District Judge of Jaffna, as genuine against which decision, certain parties interested in upsetting the document, entered an appeal. The case was argued in appeal before the Collective Court, who gave permission for a fresh hearing on certain points, and provided that before doing so the Appellants should pay the Respondent, the Executor under the Will, the amount of his costs in the matter. This it appears, was not done, the money being This it appears, was not done, the money being instead lodged in Court to await the further hearing, a course against which the Respond-ent protested, declining to enter upon further proceedings until the order of the Court above had been complied with. Notwithstanding this protest, the case was proceeded with : the respondent refrained from putting in an appearance, and the matter was about to be decided, when it was discovered that the case had been abstracted from the Registry during the night. aostracted from the kegistry during the right.
Inquiries were at once made, investigations
instituted, and a number of witnesses examined,
and then came the curious part of the proceedings which had continued until some time in last week. The Judge appears to have fancied that there was some evidence not obtainable by him, but which he could secure if the Advocate on the side of the Will were removed or placed away securely, he accordingly ordered his arrest, and on Saturday last we understand Mr. Advocate Gould was arrested and confined in the jail, in order to enable the Court to obtain evidence of the nature which was desired. It seems near akin to the famous Kornegalle affair, and as much at varience with our preconceived ideas of the fitness of things as the recent transactions at Manaar, and we are altogether at a loss to understand how it is possible that any British-subject can be lawfully deprived of his liberty under the mere idea that he is inimical to certain evidence being obtained which it is believed does or is thought may exist, but is not procurable! We trust this extraordinary matter will be enquired into by the proper authorities, and that without delay.

AUSTRALIAN STOCK. - In a recent issue we notice the arrival of Messrs. Rudd Brothers valuable shipment of Australian stock per Catherine, and as all the beasts were good of their kind, they have naturally attracted a good deal of attention. There is no doubt we suppose that as a lot, both horses and cows are the best that ever came to the Island, and it is very much to be regretted therefore, that the ship should have made so long a passage as the horses especially have suffered severely in condition and their present appearance does no do them justice.

It is quite evident, however, to the judges of

horseflesh, t at these have been well-selected for breed and power, and only require a little time and corn to make them all that the most fastidious could desire. We can only hope that the result of Mr. Rudd's venture may be so satisfactory as to encourage the introduction to this country of a better stamp of Australian horse than we have been hitherto accustomed to see here.

The cows and dogs were sold yesterday by Messrs. Venn & Co. and excited keen competition amongst a large concourse of spectators The first cow was run up to the extraordinary figure of £61, and the others ranged between £20 and £48. There were 3 couple, of well-bred fox Hounds which were put up separately and sold well ranging from £7 to £8 and the terriers and bull-dogs realized even higher prices relatively. The horses are to be offered for sale on Mon-

The following was the result of yesterday In following was the result of yesterday's sale.—One Cow sold for £61: one for £48, two for £36 each, two for £35, each, three at £34, and one at £20. The Hounds sold as follows: "Deliate" for £8. "Music" for £7. "Cruiser" £8: Pilot £7: "Wrington" £7. "Ringwood" £7.—A Skye Terrier for £7. 5. A Ter rier for £7. Irish Greyhound £7. Bull Terrier £7. 10. and £6.

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This afternoon nine good horses ex"Nardoo" from Melbourne, in splendid condition, were sold on the Esplanade for an average of £43. 28.

THE PLANTERS DINNER.

We now give a resume of the speeches which accompanied the most prominent toasts of the evening.

The Chairman after the usual toast "the Queen," in proposing the Prince of Wales &c., said that they would shortly have amongst them a member of the Royal Family, and he trusted that though not wanting in loyalty in the Central Province, they would have too much good sense to make the Prince's visit a bore to him. All the addresses and farmalities may be gone through in Colombo: and formalities may be gone through in Colombo: but let them leave him to enjoy himself. Some formalities must be gone through but these over, let him be left to see the beautiful scenery, and enjoy the fine sport. In this way he will carry away a far more favourable impression of the Central Province than if he were kept in Kandy receiving addresses. receiving addresses. (Cheers with one more for the Duke.)

removal of that impost by members of the Association had weighed with him considerably. Very few knew the difficulties His Excellency had encountered in pressing this matter on the favouable attention of the home authorities, and he was justified in saying that they were all under a debt of deep gratitude to him for the exertions he had made on their behalf. But he had done more, he had been a hard working man from the first day he landed in the colony, He had unceasingly labored to master every question affecting the interests of the several classes of the community, and ha i visited nearly all parts of the island. European and native interests were cared for by him alike, and master every question affecting the interests of the several classes of the community, and ha i visited nearly all parts of the island. European and native interests were cared for by him alike, and the results were to be seen in the many fine roads throughout the island, and also the extensive Irrigation works in the low country. The staff of life was as needful for one interest as the other, and a more abundant supply of this would soon work great changes in the condition of the people. The Governer is doing his best for us and when he brings forward certain measures which may not be acceptable to us we should bear in mind that he may be introducing them in obedience to instructions from home. The Governor of a crown Colony has a very difficult position to fill; he has to endeavour to reconcile the orders he receives from home, with the interests of the people whom he has to govern, and it is not always that these can be made to agree. In such a case we should not criticise severely the course which is taken, but make allowances for circumstances, and we must appreciate the general desire shown to meet the wants and wishes of the community. He would not introduce into the toast a single drop of the gall of bitterness. He was sure that the Governor is always actuated by good motives, and therefore he felt certain in doing so that that they would drink his health cordially and bear witness to his earnest desire to do all he can for the good of the country. (Loud Cheers.)

In proposing "the Army and Navy" the Chairman alluded to the non-Intervention and Colonial Policy now coming into fashion at home, which he declared to be at once immoral and suicidal.

Capt. Hawthorne thanked them for the toast and said he trusted the time was far distant when the course alluded to by the Chairman would be adopted towards this colony, as thereby the Army would lose very pleasant quarters.

Mr. Wall in proposing the "Civil Service" remarked that it would recal to their minds a face which had so often gained their annual gather

which had so often gained their annual gatherings one that had been so endeared to them privately and publicly, as to cause a feeling of regret at its absence on that occasion. This would not however prevent them giving a hearty welcome to his worthy successor. As Planters they had always got on well with those of the Civil Service with whom they had been thrown in contact, and they would acknowledge that the intercourse had been an agreeable one. With regard to the office filled by the gentleman whose name is coupled with the toast, and in a much wider sense he had been thrown into connection with the Civil Service, and his opinion of them has been from year to year raised, they have appeared to him more worthy of the confidence reposed in them. In Council the members of the Civil Service manifested the kindliest feeling, and when it fell to him to address some remarks to an Association in reference to parties in Ceylon, in that document he had dealt with particular satisfaction upon the harmony and the kindly feeling which has always existed between the official and unofficial elements of Council. The only thing desirable with regard to the Civil Service is that considering the abilities which they possess, and their position and intelligence, they should enjoy a larger and wider discretion than is now accorded them.—(Cheers.)

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a larger and wider discretion than is now accorded them.—(Cheers.)

Mr. Russell replying said that the Service to which he had the honor to belong had been spoken of so warmly, that he was inclined to think that the poet, who, had written

Oh! that heaven the gift would gi'vs

To see ourselves as ithers see us.

must have been slightly mistaken. He believed however, that the Service endeavours to do its duty: as he had always tried to do. He had seen it said in the papers that there is a "charmed circle:" but he had never been able to ascertain what was the latitude, longitude, or position of this charmed circle in which certain persons are said to dwell. But however that may be, there was no reason why a very cordial feeling should not exist between those who dwell within it and those who live without it. It may be that the myth about the charmed circle may have that the myth about the charmed circle may have had its origin in those times when there was no doubt a distinction between the civil servants of doubt a distinction between the civil servants of the crown and gentlemen engaged in other pursuits. It may have been that the civil servants of old may have held themselves more aloof than those of to day from general society, but this he did not know as a fact. He felt it to be an honor to be a member of that community which had introduced wealth, intelligence and prosperity into the island, and all should be proud of it. In the old timethere were giants in the land—Anstruthers and Turnors for instance. It may be that the civil service does not now breed such giants, but whatever the ability of the civil service it will alway do its duty, and he trusted that nothing would ever occur to disturb the harmony which exists between the civil service and the community of this province. Nothing could be more prejudicial to the interests of the Central Province than that gentlei iterests of the Central Province than that gentle-men serving the Crown should consider themselves distinct from the gentlemen who are good citizens without serving the Crown. He believed there was no probability of such a result, and was quite sure that as long asthose who formed the society of that Province maintained the high position they now occupy, every servant of Government would be proud to own the planters as his friends.

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— (Cheers.)

Mr. B own in proposing the "Administration of Justice" coupled with it the name of Mr. De Saram and dwelt on the glorious uncertainties of the law at the same time admitting that we live in a in which the laws are well and firmly

administered.

Mr. C. H. De Saram in thanking them for the manner in which this toast had been drunk re-marked that that was the first occasion on which h had had the honor of being numbered amongs the guests of the Planters Association, and he the guests of the Planters Association, and he could not help feeling proud of the honor. He was a Singhalese and the welfare and prosperity of the Colony was of as much importance to him as to others. He and his countrymen could not be too grateful for the high commercial position to which the planters of Ceylon had advanced their native land, and he hoped that when they left they would have the satisfaction of feeling that they had done much for the country in which the had spiourned Cheers.

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Mr. Russell in proposing the "Planting and Agricultural Interests of the Island" said this province was admitted to be the province of the island: it was in fact the Central Province. They vince was admitted to be the province of the island: it was in fact the Central Province. They need rot therefore, be too hard upon other provinces, but it required little on his part to kindle their enthusiasm on the subject of the toast which had been proposed by him. He had recently come amongst them, but that d'sadvantage he hoped would soon be overcome. He had already seen many districts but was quite unable to say which bore away the palm: he thought it was the last he visited because it left the most distinct impression, but upon that point he wis open to conviction. The last district he had seen was Dickoya; (Hear, Hear,) and as a matter of course in logical sequence it was the most desirable of all the districts. He was truly charmed with Dickoya, for in addition to the Italian scenery, he saw that though the crop was away the plants did not look worn out. He sincerely trusted that coffee planting which had already extended so far would extend still further, He looked forward with great interest to the extension of the railway. No one had alluded to it that evening, but he would express a hope that in a very short time they would see the iron road up to Navellapitta, taking up their rice and manure and bringing down their coffee. The energy and intelligence of the planters made him feel that there was nothing which could not be effected, and he did not doubt the realisation of his hope.

The Chairman returned thanks on behalf of the coffee interests, and said their prosperity was so firm that even if they were not so fortunate with Governmen Agents as they had been, they would still have done well.

Mr. Keith MacLellan proposed the "Commercial Interests" which he said were closely allied to those of the planting community: the two were dependant on each other, and he was sure the toast would be well received.

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two were dependent on each other, and he was sure the toast would be well received.

Mr. Wall assured them of his distaste for public speech-making, said he once walked eight miles to avoid making one, (a laugh) and would do so again (laughter.) He had little to say and as he had discovered that he was amongst some, noted for failures, he did not wish to add another feiture to the litt. (a laugh) The Chairman next rose to propose the health of His Excellency the Governor. In doing so he said he must remind them of the eminent service the Governor had rendered them whilst away in England, in obtaining the removal of the export duties. To accomplish this more than ordinary exertions had been necessary. There was no doubt that the arguments urged in favor of the

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(Cheers) the Central Province had a meaning which was to him more than the simple name conveyed. The planting interest absorbed every thing else, and there was nothing in the country to compare with it (Cheers.)

Mr. Proctor gave the "Banking Interest," and alluded to the aid the planting interest had received from the banks which had branches throughout the island: he mentioned especially the Oriental Bank Corporation the oldest of the institutions carrying on business in the island. The cash credit system was one which had been of great assistance to the planters and called for their especial gratitude.

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Mr. R. V. Dunlop, of the Oriental Bank Cor-

Mr. R. V. Dunlop, of the Oriental Bank Corporation, replied briefly.

"The Clergy" was given by Captain Byrde and responded to by the Revd. J. Watt.

Mr. Dunlop then proposed the "Planters' Association" which he characterised as a noble institution doing a vast amount of good. It was a power and if it used that power rightly it would do much good. He thought their power was under-rated, but if they showed that they were a strong Planters' Association there would be a vast amount of influence in their hands which they might use for the advantage of the colony.

The Chairman said that he way happy in being the spokesman of the Association in returning

the spokesman of the Association in returning thanks. The great difficulty they had to contend with was the small number of their members as compared with the number of planters in the Central Province. It was the duty of every planter to join the Association and so enable it to represent their interests efficiently.

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Mr. A. H. Thomas, proposed the health of the "Late Chairman."

Mr. Wall returned thanks for the toast and said that it was only from a sense of duty he had from time to time brought politics before the Planters' Association. It had been his aim to do his duty to the Association which he said was a power which they ought not to repudiate. The influence of the planters of Ceylon ought only to be exerted by the men whose right it was.

Mr. Brown in pooposing "the Railway" and the Public Works Department, remarked on the great success of the former. The traffic was once estimated at 80,000 tons and when Sir Henry Ward, estimated that it would not be less than 120,000 tons he was thought to be too sanguine—

Ward, estimated that it would not be less than 120,000 tons he was thought to be too sanguine—yet we find it when only two years old carrying 134,000 tons! and leaving a profit sufficient to pay off in a few years the cost of its construction and yielding to the general revenue a sum of £40,000 a year. The only further thing to desire was to reach those distant regions of Dimboola and reach those distant regions of Dimbools and Dickoya, where the future of our plantations is to be (Hear, hear.) As for the Public Works. They have been good and useful in their day but he hoped they won't have the making of the Galle

He then alluded to the rebuke administered the Association by the late chairman for not discussing politics on that day. But he observed that it was his own fault that the subject—was not discussed, for he never brought forward the resoludiscussed, for he never brought forward the resolu-tion. Had he done so, they were quite ready to assert their independence and their right to dis-cuss that or any other question which nearly or remotely affected their interests or which might lead to further taxation.

Mr. Wall explained that he had not intended to convey a rebuke in what he had said.

The Chairman gave "Mr. Robinson and Mr.

Strong," the two gentlemen to whom they were indebted for the very satisfactory way in which

the Railway worked.

Mr. Forbes Laurie followed with the "Press," which he said had always expressed the opinions

of the Planters.

Mr. Capper acknowledged the toast, and in doing so said that it afforded him the more pleasure inasmuch as it emanated from a body amongst the members of which he counted some

amongst the members of which he counted some of his oldest and best friends.

Mr. Moir proposed the "guests" and hoped they would have the pleasure of seeing them at their table again on many future occasions.

Captain Hawthorn replied.

Mr. Dunlop gave the health of rhose who bore the and heat and burden of the day—the "Superintendents"

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Mr. Imlah responded.
Dr. Shipton proposed the "Ladies."
Mr. Spencer Shelley returned thanks.
The "Chairman" and the "Secretary" were given and responded to.
The Chairman said before separating he wished to add a few words more in reference to one who had endeared himself to them all, and whose eminent services to the colony would never be forgotten. He alluded to the late Sir Henry Ward, and he felt sure that all would rejoice to join in drinking to his memory, which he begged to pro-pose, and which was accordingly drunk in solemn

HALDUMULLE, 17th February.

Since my last the weather has again changed from fine sunny days to very wet weather &c. is once more provokingly unpleasant accompanied with thunder and vivid flashes of Lightning.

Managers are again at work and picking has re-commenced: an average I to I bushel per day is being brought in.

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The assault case has again been postponed, the Magistrate having been away at Badulla for the sports. The Counsel too, in consequence did not make their appearance. Carts still very scarce and rice rising in price in consequence.

west matale, February 21st, 1870.
Estate work is now pretty well through in most places up here, and I could name some who are paying off many of their hands who wish to go to the Coast. Our places are working remarkably well thanks to the late and continued favorable season: indeed I never remember the prospects of the district so good as they are at the present time. The following will show you why we are in better bearing condition: in January 1860 we had rain-fall on 7 days, and the quantity registered was 0.09 inch: in January 1870 rain fell on 14 days and the quantity was 8.42 with a mean temperature of only 73.29 a very moderate figure for this proverbially hot district.

The state of our roads is only passable, but I hear money is to be spent in metalling a portion

The state of our roads is only passable, but I hear money is to be spent in metalling a portion of the North road for some miles beyond Matale town as far as the minor road leading to Kornegalle, known as the Yattewatte road, and it is quite time this was done. It is to be hoped that the Road Committee may manage to find some funds for the repair of some of our minor roads which are in a sad state. In consequence of the state of the roads cart hire of Coffee to Kandy is no add to add.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SIR,—Your leader on Unofficial Members says "who knows what indirect good Mr. Wall may have done." To this I subscribe to the echo, and repeat, who knows? That is just what a large section of who knows? That is just what a large section of the public are enquiring. Evidently the writer of the letter over the signature R. B. Tytler, is not the one to throw any light on the subject. He wants us to canvas Mr. Wall's private character.—A most improper subject of discussion in a journal: I have called attention to certain points in this gentleman's public career, in which I considered he had not been successful—can you, or any of his friends gainsay me?—Or show triumphs to counterbalance the glaring blots of his political life?

Until some one does this, I must be permitted to consider him, politically, a

GIGANTIC FAILURE.

GIGANTIC FAILURE. P. S.—Will his friends refer me to the Galle Harbour resolution on the 17th, in proof of his

ROAD ENGINES.

Sir,—No doubt all your readers will join with me in wishing every success to Road Engines in Ceylon, and to that one in particular which is now in Colombo, but I wish to ask you whether it would not be safer for those who take equestrian exercise in the morning, that the Locomotive in question be exercised in some less frequented locality than the Circular-walk in the Cinnamon Gardens!

With a view of illustrating the danger to which we are exposed, I may mention that while riding a few mornings ago, and just as I had reached that spot where the band of the Ceylon Rifle Regiment is no longer to give pleasure to the residents of

spot where the band of the Ceylon Kitle Regiment is no longer to give pleasure to the residents of Colombo,—the Road Engine suddenly appeared, emitting the most dreadful noise, and certainly an object likely to render the quietest of horses dangerous to the most accomplished of horsemen; but, worse still! conspicuous on the front of the Engine was a horrible apparition! enough in itself to terrify horses. horses, (not to speak of women and children), and, which I have since learnt, was no other than the Editor of the Colombo Observer!! My horse being providentially an animal of the most stolid in-

difference to outward objects, contended himself with a few plunges; but not so the horse of a gentleman riding near me, which at once bounded ferward, and injured the rider's leg by bringing it ferward, and injured the rider's leg by bringing it in contact with a tree. Happily no very spirited horses were passing at the time, or the result would undoubtedly have proved serious. Hoping this letter may have the effect of saving a few limbs and lives, I would further suggest that in the absence of a professional stoker, some better person may be chosen for that important post than the individual whose performances in "driving the Quill" do not in any way prove him eligible for driving an Engine! or assisting in any of those functions which require intelligence.

Yours faithfully,

LANCELOT HOLLAND.

LANCELOT HOLLAND. Fort, Colombo, 18th February, 1870.

JAFFNA AFEAIRS.

SIR,—I write to tell you how a man may be prosecuted, nay brought to degradation as is the case just now at Jaffna, with Mr. Gould. I can only suppose that his abilities and success and above all, the position he occupied in the opinion of such Judges as Messrs Gibson, Murray and Morphew have led to a feeling of hostility against him. If other reasons were wanting there was his late affair with a certain official and now he is starting a new and independent journal at Jaffna.

But more than all that has led to the present state of things is the "Will case" in which a certain property value about £15,000 was left to an American Missionary Institution, to the disappointment of many who had been waiting for it. The late Mr. Morphew a Judge well acquainted with the people and their customs and of long residence there, gave an elaborate judgment in favor of the Will. Then the will case was stolen from the records but who had an interest in that? Surely the Advecate whose case it proved, though he him-

cords but who had an interest in that? Surely the Advecate whose case it proved, though he himself had rejuterest in the money amount.

The real cause of all this is the indignation of the Hindoos that this Will should give so much money away belonging to a Brahmin to a Christian Institution: Jeannot you understand all this? And of course an Advocate who appeals against the present Judge's decision in powerful language, is not likely to be favorably regarded by him.

Thus now we hear of Mr. Gould's arrest to prevent him collecting evidence and so to incareerate him to the damage of his case, and do we not know how easily it is to get evidence of any kind in Jaffia.

Jaffna.

But this matter cannot stop there: it must come before Mr. Caley in Colombo who will see how things stand, and see that there is prejudice and ill feeling at work, and that other authorities will see

Yours &c., NORTHERNER.

Feby. 24th, 1870. THE COFFEE MARKET

DEAR SIR.—As it is the fashion just now to write up the Coffse Marke⁴, I send you a paragraph from Wilson, Smithet & Co.'s Circular of 28th January, which deals with facts without embellishment, as ollows: -

COFFEE.—The market shews an improving tendency. The quantities brought to auction have been light, and have met with steady competition, the export deliveries being large, and the quantity afloat from Colombo much less than at the same time last year. Heavy shipments will however take place after the 1st January, when the duties on exports from Ceylon will be removed. The Java crop is estimated as larger than an average. From Rio although shipments to Europe are light, the quantity for the last three months of 1869 cleared both to the United States, and to Europe considerably exceeds that of 1868, and increased shipments are expected to Europe, when the news of the advance in this market is received. Colory qualities of Plantation Ceylon have generally sold at a further advance of about 1s. per cwt. while pale and grey sorts are without alteration. In Native considerable sales have been effected, the latest at 1s to 2s per cwt. advance on our last quotations. There is also a demand for arrival, and 3,000 to 4,000 bags have sold at 55s to 58s per cwt. Common sorts of East India and Rio are firmer, and a few floating cargoes of Brazil have sold on terms not previously obtained.

Also see the last number of the Grocer. COFFEE. - The market shews an improving tendency

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DEAR SIR,—Some time ago a letter signed by the respectable residents of Borella, was sent to the Chairman of the Colombo Municipality requesting him to adopt some measures to put down the practice of allowing cattle to graze on the sides of the public thoroughfare,s at the same time pointing out to him the dangerous consequences which generally result from such irregularity being allowed. But what has been done to remedy this evil? Simply nothing. Cattle are to be seen on the road sides from morning to night, and from night to morning, and neither the Municipal Officers nor the Police Constables make any attempt to put a stop to the practice.

practice.

Last Wednesday evening a horse took fright at Last Wednesday evening a horse took riight at some cattle on the road side, and bolted, and was nearly endangering the lives of about 4 persons.

I beg you will kindly insert this in your to-day's issue so that no time may be lost to prevent an evil fraught with danger both to lives and property. Yours truly,

FULL MOON. Borella, 25th Feby. 1870.

NOTORIETY.

Sir.,—Love of notoriety is not to be shaken off. It is a great part of our existence, but we all try to conceal it; who is successful? Even where self should be put out of court, how often is this form of concert most obtrusive? I mean in the public ministrations of religion. Without wishing to enter into a disquisition of the comparative merits of the different forms of public worship, let us take for example that of the Church of England, because it is the form of worship of a large class of well-tofor example that of the Church of England, because it is the form of worship of a large class of well-to-do, well educated, independent men. Its ministers as well, are men of education, who have for years studied theology, have been examined and pronounced competent by properly constituted authorities. After all this trouble and pains one ought to meet high class men, who have a proper knowledge of their duties. But what is the actual fact? we see one party totally condemning another. I mean high and low church. Is this a proper ending to their years' of probationary study. It would be denying proper scope to intellect to deny a certain latitude in minor matters, but to suppose that the universities teach us that of the church of England doctrine, two sets of theology one heavenly and universities teach us that of the church or England doctrine, two sets of theology one heavenly and the other earthly is more than my weak intellects are capable of understanding. So per force I have to go a round-about-way to get a solution. The first question to ask is where lies the intellect of the church? In the high, broad or low section of

first question to ask is where lies the intellect of the church? In the high, broad or low section of it? Let us take examples—Mr. Machoncher (I may not have spelt his name right, but there can be no doubt of whom I am writing) is a leading man: are the high church proud of him? A pretty figure he has cut in the public courts. He would not obey the mandates of his superiors. Much too conscientious to obey earthly laws when inspired by calls of duty. So he still continued, apparently to raise the Holy Eucharist as of yore and to kneel where this posture had been forbidden.

Apologising Mr Editor for a vulgarism, allow me to say he, "cut a sorry figure" when taken to task. I may be wrong, but I am taking for my text the English journals, which state that he denied the charges and said he had been deceiving his congregation whilst performing at the altar. He had (he said) not raised the Eucharist, only as high as his forehead. He had not knelt. He had only bent his knees. Here is a martyr I for you. Not to his his religion, certainly, as he was ready to deny all, but to his conceit. He wanted to be famous, but lacked pluck. The quality with which he was so lavishly supplied and which he appears to have cultivated, caused him thorough to notoriety. Notoriety for wrong appreciation of duties, and for deceiving those who looked to him for instructions, that is not exactly what our Lord held out by example as the summum bonum.

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Now let as look to the other end. Here we are left much in the dark, as the low church teachers have not succeeded in achieving such notoriety as to allow of journals placing them in the niches of fame. We have Dean Close levying slippers out of the Cheltenham old maids, and committing himself to passes on Table-talking, tobacco, and other mild platitudes. But I want to know where are the vigorous intellects carrying all before them. Not in either the high or low church as far as I know, can any of your readers hold my any shiping light. can any of your readers hold up any shining light for us to admire. The low church go in for intel-lect. The high, by gaud and glare to catch the pro-

fanum vulgu.

As all were created for an allwise purpose, we As all were created for an anwise purpose, we must suppose there is no necessity for even these notorities, and so congratulating the high church on the possession of a Machonichie the Mormons on Joe Smith, and her followers on the divine Johanna

Southcott

DEAR SIR.—In the course of my whole life I have had no occasion to appear in public print, but as the motto in Latin has it "Tempora Mutantur," things I believe must have its own way.

To be candid, my dear Mr. Editor, the person that I am just describing is a poor labourer having to support a wife and child with his hard got earnings, and of such of course as Great big Gentlemen he cannot live, and it would be as foolish for him to suppose to indulge on the sweets of life as it would be pose to indulge on the sweets of life as it would be to carve a Venus or Mercury without its proper

pose to indulge on the sweets of life as it would be to carve a Venus or Mercury without its proper tools.

On the evening of the 29th, cold and frosty, he returned a distance of about 2 miles to his poor home after the toils and fatigue of a hard day's work and wishing to make himself warm, (being of course deprived of a chimney) he had resource to his bottle of Ceylon Champagne, and when trying to make himself happy by an occasional dose, he was agreeably surprised to find his poor domicile entered into by one Planter of "S" Estate and by the Magistrate. They demanded of him some fire, which he cheerfully gave them, and not being satisfied at what he did (perhaps I believe at his not offering them a horn) they seized his poor bottle of consolation and summoned him for selling liquor by retail. A circumstance which he strictly denies, and in point of fact never did in his life.

Now Sir, I only wish to know, through the medium of your valuable journal, whether such things can be allowed. especially in these civilized times. The Magistrate I am confident is not empowered by Government to secure for himself the services of a stray Planter and enter into the houses of poor people who work indeed hard for their Bread, and deprive them of even the least comfort mortal man is deemed to enjoy. He attends Court this day, and by the very magistrate who acted the Police Constable, tells him that his case is postponed, but without a date, and for aught I know to take him upon a warrant for contempt and as a plea informs him, that he must await the new or linance, surely he is not going to trouble our worthy Queen's Advocate to frame out a new Ordinance against poor men, if so, then we shall have through fear to attend court every day, and thereby lose his emplopment. I trust that these poor lines will attract the attention of the Governor, as well as the agents of Estates, so as to prevent these young aspiring folks from further of the Governor, as well as the agents of Estates, so as to prevent these young aspiring folks from further exceeding their duties.

Yours truly, NEW ORDINANCE.

Haputale, 5th Febry. 1870.

THE THREE SPORTSMEN: 'XMAS, 1869. The following poetical morceau has reached us from some unknown hand :---

Three sportsmen went riding out into the East, By the Salt Lagoons far beyond the town! Each thought of his rifle and pictured the beast The troops of beasts he felt sure to bring down! For there's joy in the jungles, dense and de Amid elephants huge to stealthily creep, And send them off to their long, last sleep With a two-ounce ball in the morning

Three trackers stood out in a leafy bower, By Yala's flood, which would not go down:
And they gloonily said, while a pelting shower
Fell with pitilless rush on each turband crown:
"Through the woods this side we have made

sweep,

'And three beasts are slain—'tis a little heap!

"Fresh woods are beyond; but the waters deep

"We must swim or ford in the morning"!

Three horses come trolling along the sands, Three norses come troining along the sanus,
The hills of sand that surround the town,
And the riders, alighting, are shaking hands,
And are welcomed back, looking slightly brown!
And we say—"O luck is hard to keep:
"You have not had much, but no cause to weep!

"Come in to dinner and rest, and sleep,
"And we'll hear all the sport in the morning"

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION.—Last evening, at a meet ing of the Social Science Association, Sir John Packington in the chair, the Rev. Brooke Lambert read a paper on indirect compulsion in education:— Mr. Lambert believed that for those whose fault was less that their children were not at school than that they attended irregularly and went to so many different schools in the course of the year, and also for those who from utter carelessness or other causes did not send their children to school at all, a causes did not send their children to school at all, a compulsory law would not be sufficient to effect the object reformers had in view. He believed no compulsory law could work unless it had an ally in a system of indirect compulsion. He would therefore extend the working of existing legislation. The half-time system did not work well, and therefore it would be better that there should be an educational test, which should be passed before children could be regarded as of full age. The great difficulty was to find a system of efficient legislation, and Mr. Clay had suggested that for any servant a tax should paid, say of 10s. 6d. a head, unless the master could show that the person was educated. In cases in which people applied for educated. In cases in which people applied for licenses, as hawkers, costermongers, etc., the formality should be doubly difficult, and the fees twice as large, unless they could show that they had done their duty towards their country in this respect. Nor should any person have the franchise who could not read something about the candidate for whom he voted. When the necessity of education was brought home to the people, then they should be made to pay foreducation, and they should be made to see that education would pay them. He argued against the theory of those who would make all schools free by insisting that the incidence of the rates was not on the class who would use these schools, and that the results of having free schools would be to make the enforcement of a compulsory

schools, and that the results of having free schools would be to make the enforcement of a compulsory law more difficult.

In the course of a discussion which followed, in which Mr. Holland, Mr. Chadwick, and other gentlemen took part, Dr. Hodgson combated Mr. Lambert's theory about free schools by referring to the undoubted success of the Manchester Free Schools; and Mr. J. G. Fitch, Inspector of Schools in the north of England, pointed out a few of the disadvantages of the half-time system. For instance, the parents were too apt to measure their moral by the parents were too apt to measure their moral by their legal obligation; they identified attendance at school with simultaneous attendance at work, and when employment ceased attendance at school was

when employment ceased attendance at school was put a stop to, and the parents tried to deceive the doctor as to the children's ages.

After some further conversation, the Chairman said that we really had no educational department—no Minister of Education. On one point he had changed his mind since 1855. When he brought in his bill then he thought schools should be free; but on that matter he had since come to a different conclusion. A vote of thanks to Mr. Lambert for his paper

closed the proceedings.—(Daily News.)

A THIEVES SUPPER.

An effort is now being made to reform the criminal classes of South London by means of a series of supper-parties, at which they are enter-tained with pease soup and wholesome exhortation The leader of this movement is Mr. Wright, or, as heis popularly called, "Ned Wright," an active missionary in thet quarter, who is himself a "converted convict," and, although now only thirty-three years of age, has been repeatedly imprisoned for theft. A week or two since he collected a number of the male thieves of the district, and last night the invitation was extended to thieves of the other sex.

other sex.

The gathering took place at Gospel Hall, New

The gathering took place at Gospel Hall, New Cut, in a bare dingy room, with a raised platform at one end, rude benches without backs for the audience below. The aspect of the company was not less melancholy and depressing than that of the hall. The number of tickets distributed to the guests for whom the gathering was specially intended was 95; but only 72 came, representing altogether 151 convictious. Their aggregate sentence amounted to 39 years, the shortest being for seven days, and the longest for as many years. Every woman had been at least once convicted of robbery from the person. The oldest woman present apfrom the person. The oldest woman present appeared to be between 50 and 60. Her hair was grey and she had had two children born in prison. There was another woman a few years younger who had once given birth to a child in gaol. Of the rest once given birth to a child in gaol. Of the rest there was not one, we should say, over twenty-two years of age. They seemed to be all clad warmly enough, and some even, especially as to hats and bonnets, with pretensions to finery. There was no appearance either of rags or squalor. As a rule they might, as far as dress was concerned, have almost been taken for servants in a household of the lower middle class. Care had been taken, we believe, to identify each of the women on entering, and to make sure that she had been duly qualified by crime to avail herself of the invitation. There

was, however, nothing that struck one as essentially pertaining to the criminal character either in the features or demeanour of the company; nothing of the heroism, the violence, or even brute determination of crime. What impressed you most was rather the silliness and stupidity of the face. If there were none comely, there were certainly none which one could call really bad in expression. Apparently the women belonged to the class who drift into crime more through weakness and want of thought than anything else. Perhaps, however, on that account they may be the less promising subjects of reform; and it is not improbable that the more knowing thief, the woman of spirit, was not in attendance at the meeting. We cannot say that at any moment during the evening did they seem impressed or even capable of impression. They giggled and nudged one another, and every now and then burst into a roar of laughter while the supper was being served. They had apparently little appetite for the meal, and it was a favorite joke to pretend to be eating very fast when any of the assistants passed, but without really taking anything. One or two of the youngest, and some of the eldest seemed to be really hungry, and soon emptied their bowls, but the majority played with their spoons, and had evidently come for the fun of the thing. There were five or six little children, mostly infants at the breast, among the audience, one or two of them bright lively little creatures, with round rosy cheeks, who crowed at the gaslights, and by the contrast of their innocent gaiety deepened the melancholy of the scene. In the gallery above there were between forty and fifty male thieves, who shared the remains of the women's supper. This consisted of a basin of pease soup and half a loaf of bread to each. At the close every woman received a paper bag, containing two ounces of tea, and a proportionate quantity of sugar and bread. The supper, of course was only the prelude to the religious services which followed. Several hymns were sung; the women, folly of sacrificing themselves for the "fences." to whom they disposed of their "stuff"—in other words plunder—all the risk being on one side and the profit on the other, and when he added a happy touch to his picture of heaven in laying stress on the fact that in that blest abode no bobbies would appear to give false evidence. He invited any who sincerely desired to abandon a dishonest calling to come to him next day, and he would see what could be done for them

come to him next day, and he would see what could be done for them.

It is possible that with all their apathy and levity some of the women may have been touched by the tenderness and solicitude shown towards them by their entertainers. If so, they must have felt more keenly the contrast of their reception outside. As they left the hall they were hooted by a crowd of roughs, and impartially shaken and cuffed by the policemen whose supposed duties were to preserve order.—Pall Mall Gazette.

STRANGE CASE OF ABANDONMENT.—Captain Edmondson, late master of the ship Herald, arrived in Liverpool yesterday, gives the following account of the abandonment of his vessel:—"The Herald sailed from Cardiff on the 23rd Dec., and experienced strong gales from N. E. up to the 29th, and then a hurricane, which lasted 24 hours. On the morning of the 30th we found the ship fast sinking, and we gried for sevaral hours to put her before the wind, but our efforts were of no avail, as she would not answer her helm. At 10 a. m. saw a vessel on the weather quarter, hoisted signals of distress, when the stranger came down towards us, but to our great surprise, the captain told us that his ship was also sinking. I then launched the pinnace, the second mate, boatswain, and 11 seamen getting into her, and told them to go on board the stranger and see what water she had in, as she looked to be a great height out of the water and appeared to answer her helm. The boat, after being a short time away, returned within hail of the ship, and reported that they were not able to board the stranger, nor even return on board their on vessel. We then saw another large ship steering towards us, and the boat pulled away towards her, but she passed both our ship and the boat without taking any notice or even showing her flag. The vessel was painted black, with a broad white stripe round her, and had five topsail yards. She was always within hail at the time she passed. Shortly afterwards the Italian captain and crew abandoned their vessel, and took to the longboat, Shortly afterwards the Italian captain and crew abandoned their vessel, and took to the longboat, and we lost sight of both boats in less than 15 and we lost sight of both boats in less than 15 minutes, as the sea was running very high at the time. At 3'30 p. m. another stranger steering towards us, which proved to be the French brig Samuel, of St. Malo. At 4 p. m. they kindly rounded to under our lee, and received myself and the remaining 11 of the crew on board. We then looked carefully to discover anything of the two boats, but failed to do so, and proceeded on our journey towards Gibraltar. where we were landed on the 9th of January, having been treated very kindly by Captain Fauquet during the ten days we were on board.—Times.

INDIAN JOTTINGS.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh entered Lahore on the afternoon of February 9, accompanied by the Lieutenant of the Punjaub and Staff, and officers of the railway. The party were received at the station by a deputation consisting of the independent chiefs present in Lahore, the Judges of the Chief Court, the General Commanding Lahore Division and Staff, the Financial Commissioner, &c. Military and political officers donned in full dress; Civilians were permitted to expear in morning costume, being especially warned, however, not to were shooting coats. Among the independent morning costume, being especially warned, however, not to were shooting coats. Among the independent Chiefs present were H. H. the Maharajah o Puttiala, H. H. the Nawab of Bhawulpore, H. Hf the Rajah of Jheend, and H. H. the Rajah of Nabha. His Royal Highness did not make any stay at Umballa, but proceeded direct from Delhi to Loodiana. He reached Loodiana on the morning of the 9th. The Railway Department provided breakfast at Philour, were his Royal Highness had an opportunity of seeing the progress made in the construction of the bridge over the Sutlej. Probably the Duke will make a short stay at Umballa on his return from Lahore, going up either to Kussowlie or Simla, so

bridge over the Sutlej. Probably the Duke will make a short stay at Umballa on his return from Lahore, going up either to Kussowlie or Simla, so as to have a view of the interior of the Hills, the Snowy Range, &c. His Royal Highness is expected at Roorkee on the 17th instant, on which occasion it is hoped that he will present new colours to the 103rd Regiment.

The programme of the Viceroy's movements in connection with the Jubbulpore ceremonies has now been fixed. His Excellency and the Countess of Mayo, attended by Major Burne, the Hon'ble Major Bourke, and Captain Lockwood, will leave Calcutta on the 23rd February, and reach Jubbulpore on the 25th. They will start on the same day for Nagopre. On the 3rd March, His Excellency will open the Khangaum State Railway, and then proceed, attended by Major Burne, to visit the Chanda coal-fields, returning to Jubbulpore, where he will be met by the Duke of Edinburgh, on the 7th. G. I. P. Railway will probably be opened on the same day. The Viceroy will then return to Calcutta, and his Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh proceed on his journey to Bombay. The Countess of Mayo, accompanied by Major Bourke, will have proceeded direct from Nagore to Bombay, in order to leave by the Steamer of the 15th Margh.

At Khangaum. His Excellency will be feted by

At Khangaum, His Excellency will be feted by the Municipality, who, among other things, have arranged for giving him a day's blue-bull hunting should time permit and inclination prompt. Tiger shootin will also be provided in the Hoshunga bad district, both for His Fxcellency and for the Duge. -Times of India.

THE STRAITS.

H. E. the Governor has completed his visit to H. E. the Governor has completed his visit to Penang, Province Wellesley, and Malacca, and returned here in the *Picho* yesterday. The Legisletive Council will probably be opened very shortly, and resume its labours; with the increased number of unofficial members, and the inferion of new blood in the official element, there is a prospect, if not of increased interest, at least of a lattle valiety in the debates.

debates.
Copies of the despatch of His Excellency the Governor to Earl Granville, in vindication of his administration, are expected to reach this by no mail from England, and the ocument is located forward to here with very general infraest. See particulars of its contents have recorded the second hand, and so far as they enable us in the second hand, and so far as they enable us in the search of the various acts of his draward against the somewhat rabid criticals with the have encountered, he would arrant to limit. have encountered, he would are unto him to there never really has been any eavers of ice of his administration, which was at the same une

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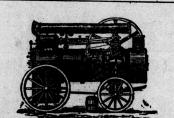
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