

SHIP NEWS.

ARRIVALS.
From Newcastle on Tuesday, the steamer Maitland.
From the same place, on Wednesday, the steamer Tamar.

DEPARTURES.

For Java, on Tuesday, the ship Duchess of Northumberland.
For Newcastle, same day, the ship Ferguson.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.

The Lady Wellington for South Australia.
Spartan for London, Edward and Ranger, for Port Phillip.

Rates of Insurance.

London and Liverpool.....24 to 3 per Cent
Hobart Town.....1 per Cent
Launceston.....1 1/4 ditto

FREIGHTS.

To London and Liverpool...Wool 1/4d. per lb
Oil, old measure, £4. 10s. to £4. 15s. per Ton.

Commercial Journal.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1838.

The Ordnance Property Bill.

WE have purposely deferred the consideration of this very important subject, until the public had opportunity to consider and fully weigh a measure which will have an important influence on the future interests of this Colony.

In looking through the debates on the second reading of this Bill, before the Legislative Council on Thursday week, we cannot but be gratified by the assurance that the Council collectively evinces a desire to correct the old and pernicious system of laws, which was so long the means of fettering the Colonists with enactments passed on the odious plea of "expediency," or the "peculiar constitution of the Colony," which, to make use of some of the honorable Members own words, were contrary to the spirit of British Law, and a disgrace to the Colonial Code.

The question now before the Council and the public, as stated by the introducer and supporters of the Bill is this; that a corporate body shall be created out of the officers of the Ordnance Department, who shall have full power to hold, and to manage certain of the possessions of Her Majesty's government, with power to sue for the recovery of, or be sued for the illegal detention or possession of property, in like manner as private individuals; that this body shall have the power to alienate by sale, chance, or otherwise any of the possessions in them vested for the improvement and benefit of that particular department, always, be it understood, under the rules and regulations of the Board of Ordnance at Home, by which they are to be guided, and to which alone they are to be responsible for their actions.

unknown, which on the most moderate computation are estimated at half a million of money, which will immediately pass from the control of the Colonial Government, unsatisfactorily constituted as it is, into the hands of a body wholly unconnected with the Colony, having no interest in its prosperity, further than the augmentation of the power and perquisites of that particular department, as it forms a source of patronage and preferment to needy relatives, whose continued arrival will require the creation of new appointments, to be paid by fresh alienations ad infinitum.

It is to the unhappy practice of smuggling hitherto adopted, and to the facility with which enactments, specially recommended from home, and supported by the head of the Government here, have passed through the Council, that we attribute this attempted violation of good faith on the part of the Home Government; and we congratulate our fellow Colonists on the determined opposition of a large majority of the Council to a Bill, which, if passed, would sweep from the Emigration Fund a sum specifically required at this time, when labour is scarcely procurable at any price--when that fund is nearly exhausted, and the energies of the government are immediately required to provide for its augmentation.

The whole of the Immigrants by the ship Ordanee obtained situations, with very good wages, with the exception of one or two families, who have a numerous progeny to provide for--a circumstance which will always operate against their meeting with ready employment in the country; masters not being desirous to incur the heavy expense attendant upon the removal of a large family 90 or 100 miles up the country, and maintaining them after. We have a decided objection to the importation of large families, as well as to the importation of individuals, as the private interests of the Colonists.

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The following Memorial, we are happy to say, is in course of signature to oppose this obnoxious Bill; and we call upon our fellow Colonists in general to lose no time in attaching their signatures thereto--thereby crushing in the bud what, if allowed to pass into a law, will be the greatest innovation ever practised upon the Colonists of New South Wales.

The Memorial of the undersigned inhabitants of New South Wales, humbly sheweth, That your Memorialists have learned with much concern, that a Bill has been brought under the consideration of your Honorable Council, the object of which is to vest the whole of the Crown Lands now in the occupation of the Ordnance Department, by whatever means acquired or taken, or which may hereafter be granted to, or come into its possession, in the principal Officers for the time-being of Her Majesty's Ordnance, with power to sell, let, or exchange the same, and to appropriate the proceeds to the use of that department, independently of the sanction or control of your Council, or of any Legislative body.

Your Memorialists would respectfully submit to your Honorable Council, that the Bill now under consideration is not only altogether subservive of the vitally important principle above referred to, on which the prosperity of the Colony depends, but that it is at the same time highly unconstitutional in its tendency; as its obvious effects is to render a branch of the public service independent of the Legislature for support; a result your Memorialists would respectfully submit highly dangerous to the liberties of the people, and altogether opposed to the spirit of the British Constitution.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.
Very little has been done in the Supreme Court during the week which may be considered of public interest.

It is rumored that Dr. Anderson, who for many years has held the situation of Surgeon to the Colonial Hospital at Parramatta, has resigned in consequence of ill health, and will be succeeded by Mr. Eckford, at present attached to the Colonial Hospital, Liverpool, as Assistant Surgeon.

We were not aware until recently that it was necessary to have two female, and one male sponsor in baptism in the Established Church. There must certainly be some error in this, as we well know that one male and one female is all that is required at home.

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In laying before our readers the names of the several individuals who received publicans' licenses at Parramatta on the 19th instant, we would ask, as their worship thought it necessary to dispense with so many, what, or is their intention to make any prompt arrangement for lighting the town, in the absence of the publicans' lamps? When they were in full operation a stranger would be struck with the paucity of night lamps--in fact their glimmer was distant and far between; we therefore trust, that for the safety of the lives and limbs of her Majesty's lieges, some decisive arrangement will be made forthwith.

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SYDNEY MARKETS.

FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 1838.--Our market was plentifully supplied with vegetables and dairy produce yesterday, yet the latter still maintains a high figure.
WHEAT--(Colonial), from 6s to 5s 6d per bushel; Launceston ditto, 5s 6d to 6s ditto; Derwent ditto, 6s 6d to 7s ditto.

Ships in Harbour.

Table with columns: NAMES, VESSELS, TONS, MASTERS, AGENTS, REMARKS. Lists various ships like Aberdeenshire, Aert, Australia, British Sovereign, Cape Packet, etc.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 20 JUNE, 1838.
1. Council met, pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. The Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty the Queen, administered to Robert Campbell, Esq. Penal Settlement Bill; Motion made, and question put, that this Bill be again re-committed, and some verbal alterations made; Passed; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

DEATH.

On Wednesday last, at Parramatta, aged 80 years, Mr. Thomas Barber, who has been a resident of that Town nearly 40 years.

Factory.

Table showing Factory statistics: Men, 148; Death, 1; Remanded, 0; Transportation, 16; Death Recorded, 9; Bail, 0; Confined, 21; Labour, 2; Ironed Gangs, 11; Interior, 4; Examination, 9; Factory, 0.