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PUBLIC NOTICE.

It may not, perhaps, be generally known to our Friends and Subscribers, that **TWENTY FOUR HUNDRED COPIES** of this Journal are printed and circulated throughout the Colony weekly, thus proving the great advantage Advertisers would derive by sending their favors to this office for insertion.

Price per Quarter to Sydney Subscribers, 6s.—Country Subscribers, 6s.

The Proprietor begs respectfully to state, that no resignation can be attended to unless accompanied by the payment of all arrears up to the expiration of the current quarter.

Our advertising Friends are particularly requested to forward their favors before 7 o'clock on the evening before publication, as after that hour it will be impossible to receive them.

NOTICE.—Any Person known to have purchased the *Commercial Journal* from any of the Deliverers, will be prosecuted for so doing, knowing it to have been embezzled.

NOTICE.

THE undermentioned Persons are appointed **COUNTRY AGENTS** for this Journal, and are the only Parties authorised to receive Money on account of the same, by giving a printed Receipt on yellow Paper, bearing the written Signature of **WILLIAM JONES**—

Mr. HUGH TAYLOR..... Parramatta
Mr. COHEN..... Maitland
Mr. CHAPMAN..... Windsor
Mr. MARK HALE..... Bathurst
Mr. H. R. REEBEN..... Campbell Town.

GOVERNMENT FORMS.

EVERY description of **GOVERNMENT FORMS** constantly on Sale at the Printing Office of **WILLIAM JONES**, 7, Colonnade, Bridge-street.

ALSO,

Seamen's Articles, Indentures, Law Forms, &c.

The Trade supplied on liberal terms.

For South Australia,

To Sail in November,

THE FINE BRIG, NEREUS,
125 tons Register, F. R. Lees, Commander. For Freight or Passage, apply to Messrs. V. and E. Solomon, South Australian Packet Office, Liverpool Wharf, near the Queen's Wharf.
V. & E. Solomon inform Shippers of Goods to South Australia, that they will receive freight at the above Store for the *Nereus*, free of all Store Rent.

For London direct

THE FINE BARQUE, "HYGIEA"

377 Tons Register, Captain Maitland, with the greater part of her dead weight engaged, and will have quick dispatch for the above Port. For Freight or Passage, apply to—
HUGHES & HOSKING,
Albion Wharf.
Sydney, 22nd Oct. 1838.

LAND—NORTH SHORE.

J. T. WILSON

Begs to acquaint the Capitalists of New South Wales, that he has been honored with instructions by the Proprietor to bring to the Hammer, as soon as the Survey has prepared his Plan of Survey, which is at present in progress, and will shortly be submitted to public inspection,

ABOUT 150 Acres of Land situated on the North Shore, within 3 miles of Sydney, and within 1½ mile of the reserve for the extension of this important Metropolis.

This Land will be divided into Marine Villa Allotments of various sizes, each of which will have a water frontage, and be situated so as to command a view of the surrounding country, the different bays of the harbour, and the South Pacific Ocean.

The Gentry and Capitalists will do well to embrace this opportunity of possessing Land so situated, commanding easy access by land or water, having an abundance of fresh water, and excellent freestone for building purposes, and every other desirable convenience with which Nature could have endowed it; requiring, therefore, a very trifling expenditure to form the most picturesque Villas that art could design.

The Terms will be made easy, and duly announced in a subsequent advertisement as soon as the Survey can be completed.

SPLENDID PIANOFORTES.

J. T. WILSON

HAS the honor to acquaint the Ladies of Australia and the musical world generally, that he has been instructed to dispose of by Private Contract—

Two elegant Rosewood Cabinet Pianofortes, 6½ octave, fine rich tone, with green silk blinds complete, tuning hammers, &c.
One Zebra-wood Cabinet ditto, 6½ octave, fitted with everything same as above
AND,
Two handsome Ormolu Musical Clocks.

The whole may be viewed at his extensive Sale Rooms, 74, George-street, after Monday next, and all particulars may be ascertained at his Office.

GIN.

J. T. WILSON begs to acquaint the Public that he has been instructed to Sell by Private Contract,

1,000 Gallons GIN, superior quality.
Samples may be seen on MONDAY next, and all particulars ascertained at his Office, 74 George-street.

CAUTION.

ANY parties found trespassing upon the premises or lands known as the "Baggage Wells," on the Parramatta Road, destroying or pulling down the fences, or otherwise injuring the property, will be prosecuted according to law. Any Cattle found straying upon the said premises will be impounded.

RICHARD CRAMPTON.
Sydney, October 23, 1838.

NOTICE.

MR. W. C. WILSON, is the only Person authorised to collect Monies for Advertisements and Subscriptions connected with this Paper; and will give Printed Receipts on coloured paper for the same, bearing the written signature of W. JONES.

HOBART TOWN, 10th Oct., 1838.

THE Copartnership hitherto carrying on business at Hobart Town and Launceston, under the firm of Hewitt, Gore, and Co., has been dissolved. The business at Hobart Town will in future be carried on by Mr. Hewitt on his own account, and the business at Launceston by Mr. Connelly on his own account.

THOS. HEWITT,
M. CONNELLY.

* In reference to the foregoing advertisement, we beg to state that we continue to be the correspondents of the separate establishments of Mr. Hewitt and Mr. Connelly, and to transact business with them as heretofore.

JOHN GORE & CO.
Witness—
ROBERT PITCAIRN.

ASSEMBLY BALL.

MR. CLARK

RESPECTFULLY begs leave to acquaint his Friends and the Public, that the Grand Assembly of his Pupils takes place on WEDNESDAY Evening, the 7th of November, at the Saloon of the Royal Hotel.

Doors will open at half-past Seven, and Dancing commence at Eight o'clock precisely.

Tickets and Bills containing the Programme of the Dances may be had of Mr. Clark, at his Academy, Macquarie-street.

* Mr. Clark, grateful for the liberal support extended to him since his arrival in the Colony, respectfully intimates, that it is his intention to continue his Classes as usual, in Macquarie-street, Sydney, and at Mrs. Wainwright's, Smith-street, Parramatta.

To the Inhabitants of Sydney, and the numerous Settlers in the Interior.

THE Undersigned begs leave to return his most sincere thanks for the very liberal support he has received since his commencement in business, and takes this opportunity of offering to their notice, the following articles, which constitute a part of his present stock, and which he has selected with the greatest care, and will be found, he trusts, to be of equal in quality to any house in the Colony, and on as reasonable terms, at his

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL STORES,

57 & 58 GEORGE-STREET, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

150 Whole chests Hyson Tea
150 Half ditto ditto
150 Quarter ditto ditto
50 Quarter chests of Hyson
40 Ditto Souchong
20 Ditto Caper
5 Ditto Congou
2 Tons of superior Coffee
20 Tons Mauritius Sugar
5 Tons Batavia white ditto
2 Tons black Pepper
10 Tons white ditto
10 Boxes Cassia
40 Boxes Fimento
40 Boxes English Wax Candles
10 Boxes Colonial Mould ditto
200 Yorkshire Hams
150 Cases of Pickles and Sauces
50 Bags of Rice
10 Tons Liverpool and St. Ube's Salt
25 Cases Irish Oatmeal
10 Cases Pearl and Scotch Barley
10 Cases Brown Vinegar
20 Demi-johns of French ditto
5 Boxes Bunch Muscavels
100 Boxes of Cape Raisins
50 Boxes Liverpool Soap
10 Boxes Biscuit
50 Dozen of Mustard
500 Cansisters of Powder
10 Bags of Shell Almonds
200 Boxes Manilla Cigars
40 Boxes Kyongee ditto
Preserved FRUITS,
In Quarts

Rhubarb
Gooseberries
Cherries
Dumplings
Flour
Plums
Green Gages
Raspberries
Currants
Bullace

Quints Sauce
Harvey's
Lemon Pickle
Tomato
Moual
Essence of Shrimps
Beef steak
Union

Assorted Sizes
Rowland's Macassar
Cold drawn Castor
Fine Salad

JAMS and JELLIES
In 2 and 4lb Jars

Raspberry Jam
Strawberry ditto
Black Currant ditto
Red Currant ditto
Black Currant Jelly
Red Currant Jelly
Capers and Olives.

PICKLES
In Pints and Quarts

Mixed Pickles
Pickled
Walnuts
Onions
Cauliflowers
Capers
French Beans
Anchovies

SAUCES
In Pints & Half Pints

John Bull
Reading Sauce
Essence of Anchovies
Mushroom Catsup
Walnut ditto

Candied Lemon, Citron, and Orange Peel
Anchovy and Blonter Paste

With several Articles impossible to enumerate in the limits of an Advertisement; all of the best quality, and at moderate prices.

TERMS.—£30 and under, cash—above that sum approved bills at 3 months. Private or running accounts payable quarterly.

J. STUART

Public Notice.

OWING to the very great influx of favors from our advertising Friends, together with the numerous and repeated solicitations of Subscribers, we have been induced to enlarge the size of our Journal; consequently we give this PUBLIC NOTICE that on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1839, the *Commercial Journal* will be printed the size of the

LARGEST NEWSPAPER

in the Colony without any additional charge, the prices being as usual, viz:—

5s. per Quarter in Sydney.
6s. ditto in the Country.

—Thus affording ample space for all Foreign and Local News of importance, together with Domestic Intelligence, Police Information, with all the passing events of the day, hitherto omitted from want of room.

Published every Wednesday and Saturday Mornings, at the Office No. 7, Colonnade, Bridge Street, Sydney, where all communications are respectfully requested to be addressed.

CHEAP SUPERFINE BLACK CLOTHS, at Cecil House, King-street.

E. WEBB & CO.

Lucerne and Oaten Hay.

J. T. WILSON

HAS been instructed to sell by Private Contract, Twenty Tons LUCERNE AND OATEN HAY, in the finest condition. The above Hay may be seen at the Premises 74, George-street, and all particulars at the Office.
Sydney, Sept. 11, 1838.

BOARD AND LODGING.

TWO Gentlemen can be received to BOARD where the party consists of only four, in a Family of respectability.—Apply for Cards at the Office of this Paper.

ON SALE,

AT CECIL HOUSE, KING-STREET, SYDNEY.

FASHIONABLE PARIS WHITE CHIP BONNETS, of a recent importation.
E. WEBB & CO.
Oct. 3, 1838.

FOR SALE.

TO SETTLERS, TOBACCO GROWERS, &c.
A FINE Hydraulic Press, the power from 200 to 300 Tons.

A small Steam Engine, 2½ horse power, with metallic pistons and boilers, would answer well a small part of stones, can be seen at work at one hour's notice.

One large powerful Crab, Crane or Winch. One three horse power Mill, adapted for thrashing, grinding, &c. &c.

To be seen at William Bourne's Engineer, Sussex-street, where every description of Hydraulic Presses; Pumps for raising water; Wood and Hay Presses made to order; Steam Engines from two to seventy horse power; Marine, low and high pressure Engines, are at all times ready for inspection.

* W. B., in acknowledging the favors he has received in the execution of Government work, &c., of the various gentlemen of the colony, who have established on their own property, resources to the wants of their Establishments; solicits, at all times, a call in the inspection of his Manufactory, as to the advantage to be derived in the encouragement of the Engine Department in the Colony, instead of having recourse to the Mother Country for supplies, which can at all times, be more properly and at less expense done here.

Gas Fittings of the most approved fashion and newly imported, can be inspected, to which the Public are respectfully invited to a view.
WM. BOURNE.
October 23, 1838.

Cheap Cedar Yard,

Opposite "Wood's Hotel," George-street.

CEEDAR PLANK ON SALE AT THE following prices, namely:—

½ Inch 2½ p foot
¾ Inch 3d
1 Inch 3½d
1 and ½ Inch 5d
2 Inch 6d
2 and ½ Inch 7d

Parties purchasing Cedar in the Log, can have it cut to any dimensions required.
TERMS.—CASH.
P. ERWIN.

MESSRS. V. & E. SOLOMON, in returning thanks to their friends and the public, for the liberal support extended towards them during the number of years they carried on business in the Premises now in the occupation of Mr. J. T. Wilson, beg most respectfully to inform them that they have REMOVED to the Stores known as Nichols' Bonded Stores, now the South Australian Packet Office, at the back of HAYSON'S Rum Puncheon, Queen's Wharf, where they still continue to carry on business as usual, and solicit a share of Public patronage and support.
October 31, 1838.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

JOSEPH THOMPSON,
(LATE OF KING-STREET.)

Linen Draper, Hosier, and Haberdasher,

BEGS to inform the Public of his REMOVAL to 84, Pitt-street, near Mr. Utter's, where he intends carrying on his business, together with the Manufacturing of Bedding, &c.

J. T., in addition to his former Stock, has opened the following GOODS of the most approved fabrics, &c.—

Six-fourths Check, Jaconet, Fancy Stripe, Cambrie, Book, and Hair-cord Muslins
Victoria Tuscan Bonnets
A choice selection of fancy and Dunstable ditto
Rich plain and figured Silks
Parasols and Umbrellas
Super Broadcloths, Moleskins, and Drills
Checked and Muslin Gingham
Silk cotton, and Sandal Lace Hosiery
Table Diapers, Cloths, and Covers
Five-fourths Sheeting and Shirting Calicos
Black and colored Silk Handkerchiefs
Gentlemen's Silk Stocks in great variety
Ditto Shirt Fronts and Collars
A few cases of Boys' Cloth and Hair Caps
Linen Ticks, Hearth Rugs, &c. &c.
October 16, 1838.

A choice selection of fancy and Dunstable ditto
Rich plain and figured Silks
Parasols and Umbrellas
Super Broadcloths, Moleskins, and Drills
Checked and Muslin Gingham
Silk cotton, and Sandal Lace Hosiery
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An experienced hatter is employed to conduct the hat department.

The New London Hat Warehouse,

Wholesale and Retail.

Next door to the Bank of Australasia,
Lower George-street, opposite
Bridge-street.

J. COYLE,

IN returning his most sincere thanks to his numerous friends and the public for the very liberal encouragement he has met with since his commencement in business, begs leave to inform them that he has on hand an extensive stock of Hats, of the newest fashion and first quality, consisting of
Gentlemen's super black and drab broad brims
Ditto ditto ditto fashionable
Serrants' ditto ditto broad and narrow brims
A large assortment of black and drab, silk, horse-hair, and cloth caps
N. B.—Country storekeepers and dealers supplied on moderate terms.

An experienced hatter is employed to conduct the hat department.

WOOLLEN CLOTH

ESTABLISHMENT.

THE Undersigned in returning his sincere thanks to his numerous friends and the public in general, for the very liberal patronage he has received since his commencement in business, begs to intimate, that he has just received a new stock of Goods, adapted to the present season, including a large assortment of London made Cashmere and other Coats, of the newest style, best quality, and workmanship.

Having a most extensive stock of Fancy Goods, Cloths, and Trimmings always on hand, enables him to supply Private Families and the Trade, on the most reasonable terms.

J. COYLE
Tailor, &c.
Nos. 101 & 102, Lower George-street,
next door to the Bank of Australasia.

An Apprentice and a Few Tailors Wanted.

LANDING.

EX COROMANDEL,

SCALES AND WEIGHTS

Tobacco
Guns and Pistols
EX ELIZABETH,
Gloves
Cutlery
EX CERNARON,
Books
Hardware
Hats
EX EDEN,
Cyder
Pickles
EX HOPE,
Seeds
Sheet-ware
EX JOHN McLELLAN,
Brushware
Twine
Twine
Liquors
Pickles
Jewellery
On Sale at the Stores of
ALFRED SAUNDERS.
Reiby's Buildings, George street,
October 18, 1838.

Notice of Postponement of Sale.

MR. LISCOMBE'S SALE which was to take place on the 14th November, is now postponed until the 20th, in consequence of Mr. Liscombe being subpoenaed as a witness at the ensuing Criminal Sessions in the Supreme Court, Sydney.

New Goods.

JUST OPENED, AND ON SALE,

AT

PATTEN'S.

100, PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.

A CASE of FRENCH MILLINERY, of the latest fashions, consisting of Ladies' and Children's drawn and plain Satin and Ducape Bonnets, Dress Hats and Caps, and Bonnet ditto, Collars and Collarettes, with the following assortment of New Goods:—

Plain and figured Gros de Naps and Ducape
Satinets
Plain and figured Poplins
Saracets and Persians
French, Gauze, and Satin Ribbons
Gauze, Saracel, and Lustrating Ribbons
White and French Broad Lace, and Edging
Thread Lace Edging and Insertion
Babies' Cap Lace and Uring's Lace Edging
Babies' Satin Hats and Bonnets
Frock Bodies, Frocks and Robes
Children's Silk and Chintz Frocks
Chintz Muslin Dresses
Worked Muslin Dresses
Blond and Gauze Handkerchiefs and Scarfs
Worked Muslin and Net Collars, Capes, and Habit Shirts
Brussels Lace Collars and Capes
Four-four, five-four, and six-four black patent
Crape
Black Bombazine
Widow's Caps and Bonnets
Willow Bonnet Shape
A large assortment of Leghorn
Tuscan and Dunstable Bonnets
Blond and Net Cap Fronts
Black Lace Veils
Four-four and six-four Bobbin Net and Quilling
Colored and spotted Net
Silk and Cotton Hosiery of every description
French Kid Gloves of all colors
Long ditto ditto
French Artificial Flowers
A handsome assortment of Evening Dresses
Muslin Gingham Dresses
Scotch Gingham
Printed Cambric Dresses and Town Prints,
with a general assortment of Haberdasery,
too numerous to mention.
Pitt-street, Sydney,
30th October, 1838.

NOTICE TO PUBLICANS.

Removed from Prince-street to Lower George-street, opposite A. B. Spark's Stores.

ON SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED,

AYLOR'S Trogman's and Elliott's Double
Brown Stout in hogsheads
Strong Pilsener Ale, in hogsheads and barrels
Strong Scotch Ale, in hogsheads and barrels
Dunbar's Bottled Beer
Harper's ditto ditto
Mazetti's ditto ditto
Harper's celebrated old Port, in hogsheads and quarter pipes
Ditto ditto ditto in three dozen cases
Ditto Pale Sherry, in three dozen cases
Ditto East India Madeira, in three dozen cases
Ditto Port and Sherry, pints, in three dozen cases
Take and Hankey's Port and Sherry, in pints, six dozen cases
Mazetti's Port and Sherry, in quarts, three dozen cases
Ditto Claret, in hogsheads and one dozen cases
Harper's Gold-colored Sherry, in butts, hogsheads, and quarters
A few butts Brown Sherry, very superior
Booth's London Cordial Gin, in three dozen cases, in or out of bond
Schiedon Stone-bottled, ex *Archeus*, 4 2 P., in three dozen cases
Ditto in four gallon cases, of various vessels
Ditto in barrels, of eighteen gallons each
Brandy, Mare's superior brand, in hogsheads, ex *Lady Fitzherbert*
Ditto in pipes, ex *Ellen*, &c.
Ditto in any quantity, two gallons and upwards, out of bond
Remy, fine West India, in puncheons, 7 O. P.
Ditto in any quantity exceeding two gallons, out of bond
Devonshire Cyder, in pipes, hogsheads, and in bottle
Ditto in draught, by the ten gallons
Cape Wine, in hales and quarters (the Company's—the M in diamond and Klden's brand)
Kyongee Cigars, in or out of bond
Perry, in three dozen cases
And a variety of other Articles, too numerous to mention in an advertisement.
HENRY FISHER,
Lower George-street. Wine Merchant.

SALE BY AUCTION,

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

BY MR LISCOMBE,

At Mr. Darguin's long Room at Bathurst, on the 20th of November next, and three following days.

A LARGE Assortment of Merchandize, consisting of—

50 Bags of Fine China White Sugar
50 Bags of Brown ditto
25 Chests fine Tea and Chests & Half-Chests
1600 Corks in Bags
Superior Port Wine in Hogsheads
Sherry ditto
4 Hogsheads best Cape Wine
A few Cases of fine East India Madeira, in 3 dozen Cases
A few Hhds. of Taylor's Brown Stout
14 Casks Bottled Ale and Porter in 3 dozen Cases

70,000 Manilla Segars very Superior
20 Casks fine Red Herrings
25 Casks best Raisins
Mustard and Pickles in Cases of the best quality
50 Dozen Regatta Shirts
30 Dozen Cotton ditto
1 Bale Petersham and other Great Coats
China Camblet
Ladies' China Crape Scarfs
Green Paint in 25lb. Casks
Several pieces Splendid Genoa Black Velvet
Gros de Naples in great variety plain and figured
A few Cases of Figs in excellent condition
100 Pair Moleskin Trowsers
Silk Musquito Gauze 30 yards each, and a great variety of Merchandize
A few Ladies' and Gentlemen's Saddle Trees.

TERMS.—Under £50 Cash; above £50 and under £100, above £100 3 and 4 Months.

WANTED,

TWO STONEMASONS, to build a House on Brickfield-hill. For particulars apply to the Proprietor, Mr. Sherbin.

Brickfield-hill, 30 Oct. 1838.

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M. MAGNAY & CO.

RETURN thanks to their Friends for the very liberal support they have met with since their commencement in Business, and beg to announce that they have removed to more commodious premises opposite the

ROYAL HOTEL, GEORGE-STREET,

where they will have the pleasure to offer to their Friends a well selected Stock of Wines, &c., viz:—

SHERRY } In Wood or
MADEIRA } Bottle.
MARSEILLA }

CAPE WINES of the "South African Company's" best vintage, always on Sale.
Champagne, Hock, Sauterne, and Claret.
Hodgson and Taylor's Ale and Stout in Cask or Bottle. These approved imports Magray and Co., bottle in the Colony, and are selling at Twelve shillings per dozen.
Devonshire Cyder, in prime condition
Tea, Sugar, and Cigars.
N.B.—Manilla Cigars, a choice sample at the low price of £1 18s per thousand.
Sydney, October 16, 1838.

Capital £500,000, in Shares of £25 each, one half to be received for the Colonies.

LONDON BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

ROBERT FIFE ANGAS, Esquire.
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The public are respectfully informed, that the list for the allotment at par of the Colonial Shares of this Company is now open, and applications will be received until the 1st December, when a Meeting of the Local Board will take place for the distribution of the Shares reserved for this Town.

Prospectuses or any information may be had of J. C. M'Laven, Esq., the Inspector, at Messrs. Thomas Gore & Co., Spring-street, to whom all letters of application, are to be addressed.
Sydney, 1st November, 1838.

RAFFLE.

TO BE RAFFLED FOR at Crampton's Hotel, when the List of Subscribers is complete, on which due intimation will be given to each person, that well-known Horse

"VICTOR,"

by Toss, bred by Robert Scott, Esq., and winner of the Maiden Plate at the last Parramatta Races, &c., &c.

"Victor" is five years old, and a most excellent Gig or Saddle Horse.

TERMS.—Twenty Members at 4 Guineas each; the winner and present owner, each to pay 5 Guineas to defray the expenses of refreshments &c., for the party. All Subscriptions to be made good on the night of the raffle.

WANTED,

TWO APPRENTICES to the Wheelwright and Blacksmith business—Terms highly liberal. Apply to

JOSEPH PARKER,
Wheelwright, &c.,
Goul

SHIP NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

From Launceston, on Friday night last, having sailed the 29th ult., the brig William, Captain Thom, with sundries. Passengers, Mr and Mrs Clark, Miss Anderson, George Hobler, Esq., Miss Varden, Mr Lefleur, Mr Reiby, Mr Hugh Flood, Mr Brennan, Mary Foster, Mrs Hackett and 3 children, Mr Bow and Mr Hall.

From Port Macquarie, same evening, the steam packet William the Fourth. Passengers, W. N. Grey, Esq., P. M., Colonel Grey, Mr Houston and Mr Dangar.

From London, on Sunday, having sailed on the 22nd June, the brig Adelaide, Captain Greaves, with merchandise. Passengers, Mr Frederick Hallett, Mr William Hallett, Mr Francis Hallett, Mr and Mrs Guard, Mrs Walker and family, Mrs Hall and family, Mr and Mrs Higgins and family, Mrs Elliot and daughter, Mrs Merton and child.

From London via South Australia and Kangaroo Island, same day, having sailed from the first place the 7th May, the second on the 14th ult. and the latter the 27th ult., the brig Speculator, Captain J. Munns, in ballast from South Australia, 2 stowage passengers.

From London, yesterday, the ship Maitland, with Emigrants.

DEPARTURES.

For New Zealand, on Saturday, the brig Bromley, Captain Knox, with sundries. For Port Macquarie, on Monday evening, the steam packet William the Fourth.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.

Rajah for Java and Felicity for Calcutta, this day; Kate for Port Phillip, and Lady Fitzherbert for the Mauritius, to-morrow; H. M. S. Beagle for Bass' Straits and Port Phillip, 10th inst.; the Hind for Norfolk Island on Sunday next.

The Sir John Beresford is laid on for the west coast of South America, and it is expected she will sail in all this month. A B Smith & Co., are the agents.

The Kate for Port Phillip is expected to sail during the week.

A beautiful craft called the Maggie Lander, about 40 tons burthen, was launched into Cockle Bay on Saturday. She was built by Mr Watson.

The Marianne Watson has finished discharging at the Queen's Wharf, and is loading for Hobart Town, for which place she is expected to start to-morrow.

The Commodore after having procured a quantity of spars at New Zealand, will return in this port to fill up for the London Market. The John M'Leilan has been chartered by Mr Dutton, to go on a similar speculation.

The Pelorus, H. M. B. and the Poekington have come off the Slip, and are now finishing their repairs and refitting in Cockle Bay.

The Dryade will be the next vessel for London. She is taking in oil from the Martha, and will sail on or about the 20th inst.

The Adelaide, which arrived in port on Sunday from London, spoke on the 14th July, the emigrant ship Maitland bound for this port; the Lord Eldon was seen at St. Jago, bound for this port with passengers and merchandise. J. H. Grose, Esq. is agent and owner of the Adelaide.

The schooner Abercrombie and brig William, have brought to the Sydney Market each a cargo of wheat and butter; the latter vessel, in addition, brings a sundry bull breed in the Diemen's Land. Messrs Montefiore, Brillat, & Co. are agents for the former vessel, and R. Anderson for the latter.

The William is discharging her wheat at Girard's wharf.

The Hind is expected to sail for Norfolk Island on Sunday next.

H. M. S. Beagle has bent her sails ready for a start through Bass' Straits, to Port Phillip, and returns to this port in March next.

The Calcutta has also bent her sails and is ready for a start to Houbay, for which place she is expected to sail on Sunday next.

The Hope, Captain Devlin, has hauled to Moore's wharf, to discharge.

The John M'Leilan will in all probability sail for New Zealand on Sunday next, for a cargo of spars.

The Rajah, bound for Java, was chartered by the government to convey emigrants to Port Phillip, but these individuals not feeling inclined for another trip declined the offer of His Excellency to take a passage free to that settlement; in consequence the Rajah proceeds to Java, this day.

The Revenue cutter Prince George, cleared the Heads yesterday, having on board the Harbour Master, J. Nicholson, Esq., R. N. This cutter has gone to Broken Bay, for the purpose of forming some station for a boarding officer near that place.

The Maitland with emigrants from London, arrived in port yesterday, having on board 300 souls; being less than the number shipped in England, in consequence of disease reported in the typhus fever, which has carried off many individuals; as reports say, about thirty.

Sydney General Trade List.

IMPORTS.

Reports from the 27th ult. to the 3rd instant inclusive.

October 30—MARIAN WATSON (schooner), 146 tons, Brent, master, from Hobart Town, D Egan, agent; 2 cases hats, Paul & Co.; 19 casks butter, Benjamin & Moses; 9 hogsheds brandy, W Walker & Co.; 199 bags wheat, 18 hogsheds brandy, R Campbell; 140 bags potatoes, 50 casks lasses, D Egan; 100 bags potatoes, 21 boxes starch, S Peck & Co.; 253 bags wheat, Barker & Hallen; 4 cases books, J Tegg; 20 hogsheds brandy, Lamb & Parbury; 4 bags potatoes, T Gore & Co.; 2 bundles skins, A M'Gaa & Co.; 39 hogsheds ale, 22 sheets lead, P W Flower; 19 casks butter, T Lake; 160 bags potatoes, 20 kegs tobacco, W Brend; 2 cases cigars, Order.

November 1—HOPE (barque), 273 tons, Devlin, master, from South Australia, A De Vin, agent; 13 hogsheds gin, E Lee; 3 boxes tobacco, 136 bundles whalebone, 170 casks black oil, 20 hogsheds beer, 21 spars, 100 tons coals, A De Vin.

November 1—SPECLATOR (schooner), 39 tons, Guard, master, from New Zealand, J Learmonth, agent; 4 tons whalebone, 23 tons pork, 3 tons potatoes, Order.

November 1—MARTHA (brig), 121 tons, Hay, master, from New Zealand, A M'Gaa & Co.; agents; 162 casks black oil, 107 bundles whalebone, A M'Gaa & Co.; 47 casks black oil, R Duke & Co.

November 3—ABERCROMBY (schooner), 143 tons, Crew, master, from Hobart Town, Montefiore & Co., agents; 200 chests 20 half chests tea, 152 casks wheat, 328 firkins butter, 3 kegs colonial tobacco, Montefiore, Brillat, & Co.; 64 bags wheat, 1 case pictures, 8 bags potatoes, Aspinall, Brown, & Co.; 229 bags potatoes, W Hincheloff; 9 casks butter, 80 bags potatoes, L M'Way; 2 cases merchandise, W & C Walton & Co.; 60 bags potatoes, W White; 80 boxes cigars, T Gore & Co.; 3 casks loaf sugar, 1 box gooseberries, Lamb & Parbury; 2 bales kangaroo skins, A Orr; 35 chests tea, Salting & Garrard; 469 sacks wheat, Barker & Hallen; 1 keg 1 box, Mrs. Gulbraith; 230 bags potatoes, E Lawson.

November 3—WILLIAM (brig), 149 tons, Thom, master, from Launceston, R Anderson, agent; 60 trusses hay, 29 casks butter, 11 trusses hay, Brown & Co.; 1 case shirts, A Cohen; 20 kegs butter, S Solomons; 10 kegs butter, 7 bags potatoes, E Lee; 78 bushels wheat, 210 bushels oats, 32 trusses hay, 65 bags flour, R Anderson; 12 kegs butter, 2 kegs copper nails, 1 case preserves, J Thom; 10 kegs butter, G Stratray; 1000 bushels wheat, T Gore & Co.; 8 hogsheds gin, 5 hogsheds brandy, A & S Lyons; 1 case glass, 1 cask wine, R Campbell.

EXPORTS.

Vessels cleared from the 27th ultimo to the 3rd instant inclusive.

October 30—RAJAH, 352 tons, Ferguson, master, for Java, in ballast.

November 1—BROMLEYS, 230 tons, Knox, master, for New Zealand, 13 boxes 6 kegs tobacco, 2 pipes brandy, 1 cask gin, 1 pipe 3 hogsheds arrack, and sundry whaling stores.

Additional contents in barque FELICITY, Small, master, for Calcutta, 1 bale cottons, 3 bales calico, 1 case guns, 1 case plated ware, 1 case cutlery, 1 case handkerchiefs, 2 cases 3 trunks cloths, 1 case saws, 1 case books, 1 case brandy.

MARKETS.

TUESDAY, Nov. 6.—We could not perceive any alteration in the market to-day. Everything was exceedingly dull, and prices remain the same. In consequence of the late importation from Van Diemen's Land of butter (Irish) the prices are inclined to lower; the best fresh being procurable at 4s 6d, and very good salt at 3s 6d per lb. equal to fresh. There is hardly any cheese in the market, and prices are in consequence very high—good at 1s 4d per lb. There were some fair cabbages in the market but only to be had for 10d or 1s per head.

Commercial Journal.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1838.

"Knowledge is power."

Lord Bacon.

The Black Sheep of the Law.

ACCORDING to our promise in our last number we now enter into our labours in exposing the system, practice, and chicanery carried on in this Colony by some of the legal fraternity; and in so doing, we feel the full weight of the displeasure which we shall have to encounter from the all powerful engines of the Law. We have since our last been bullied, soothed, and threatened, but we shall fearlessly proceed notwithstanding; we require no favor, nor shall we give any. We lay ourselves open if we do wrong, and will abide by our acts, stand or fall. But we beg to assure those who may look out for the chance of catching us asleep, that we know the law as well as ourselves, and although we may proceed as near the mark as possible, we shall not go upon it.

We shall in the first place commence by saying a few words on the practice adopted by some of the Law Gentlemen, for the purpose of making some costs for themselves, little caring one jot about the plaintiff, or whether he may be able to get his debt or not. We shall inform the public in what manner they may put these people not in a situation of annoying them, and in what manner they may appear to writs or summonses in their proper persons, at an expense of a few shillings, saving themselves the costs of paying lawyers, (we beg pardon, attorneys) from three to four pounds, merely to get a short respite till the following term.

Our next course will be to shew the understanding existing between some of the gentlemen of the legal profession as to actions brought against them by strangers, either on book debts or Bills of exchange, and in what manner they accommodate each other, so that plaintiffs gain nothing by going to law with them but long delays and utter disappointment.

By the late rules of Court, Summonses may be made returnable at any time, and the parties bound to appear in four days, in cases where actions are brought on Bills of Exchange or Promissory Notes, and in eight days in other cases. The rule heretofore in force allowing summonses to be made returnable on a certain day, one month before the first day of term being altogether superseded. The intention of this rule was no doubt to meet many inconveniences, which in days gone by have occurred in consequence of persons quitting the Colony after the service and before the return of the process. But we think the change of practice has in no wise benefited the suitors. An attorney issues a summons on one day returnable the next, and the party has four days to appear and plead. If he does this, the case goes over until the next term, and then in what manner is the plaintiff forwarded or assisted in his suit? The attorney alone reaps the benefit, for he is in a situation upon the return day, to charge for declaration and other fees which may amount to five or six pounds, whilst the simple costs of the summons if debt and costs were paid before the return day would only amount to about thirty shillings if taxed.

We consider the practice to operate ill in two ways—first, in cases where an honest defendant should through disappointments, be unfortunate enough to be sued because he could not pay at the day, and in the next by a dishonest defendant being in a situation to defeat a plaintiff by appearing and pleading to the process; in which case the plaintiff's proceedings would be suspended until he might make his exit from the Colony. On the other hand it would be putting an honest debtor to considerable cost from the circumstance of the hasty return of the summons. If the rule of the Common Pleas was adopted here so as to give fifteen days between the teste and return of the writ, parties would have ample time to arrange with their creditors and pay them with little or no costs. But as it is, it is impossible, for the Mail Coach of the law runs so rapidly, that it is equalled only by a Steam Engine, and the costs swell to nearly as much as a small debt before a party can get out of the fangs of the lawyer.

We expect many persons would answer us, that it were easy to settle the action in its very earliest onset. We reply, that such is impossible, because if a party upon being sued should proceed to the attorney instanter, he would be answered by some scrubby boy of a clerk, that Mr. so and so is not in; the legal gentleman of course avoiding an interview until after the return of the process; but if he should by chance be pounced upon at unawares, he first talks of proposals, and then that he will see the plaintiff, and so uses every manoeuvre to run the poor devil over the return day and drive him in a corner, after which he talks of cognovits, warrants of attorney, costs and all such things to the great injury of the poor man's pocket.

Having shewn so much of the first principle we shall proceed to instruct our readers upon two points. First, how to take the shortest and cheapest course to settle an action upon payment of debt and costs in the earliest stage of the process, at an expense of forty shillings or under; and secondly, how to appear and plead in person at the trifling expense of three shillings and nine pence, instead of four or five pounds.

(To be Continued.)

Note.—We shall, as we proceed, give all cases of oppression, mal-practice, extortion, or chicanery, which may come to our knowledge by way of illustration. We shall be therefore thankful for any communication on the subject, although we have now cases sufficient to engross our pages for the next six weeks to come.

The Chairmanship of Quarter Sessions.

A Meeting took place yesterday at the Public Court of the Police Office for the purpose of procuring the votes of the Sydney Bench of Magistrates for the nomination of a fit and proper person to fill the above office. This is as it should be—this is indeed going away with a Star Chamber Proceeding. We believe the Colonel is the individual to whom the public and the press are indebted for this change in former secret elections. The nominees were Messrs. Manning, Kerr, and Raymond.

Colonel Wilson having been called to the Chair, and explained the object of the Meeting, with a particular request that the Magistrates would not leave without affixing their names to the required document, as had been done on former occasions—

Dr. Kinchela proposed Mr. W. M. Manning for the office, and Mr. A. B. Spark rose and seconded the motion. Dr. K. simply spoke of the manner in which the general business had been conducted by the present Chairman, the gentleman again nominated—

Mr. Kerr, one of the candidates rose, and seeing so many of his opponents on the Bench, declined placing himself in battle-array, and withdrew himself from the contest. He stated, that the friends of his brother candidates both male and female had sought for votes all over the country, from Port Phillip to Liverpool Plains, and therefore he had no chance. Mr. Kerr also reflected upon the conduct of Sir Richard Bourke, which was well handled by Mr. Therry, and put Mr. K. to the blush.

Mr. Manning, sen., also rose and stated, that he never had but two interviews with his late Excellency, during his administration, one of which was, when he went with Mr. Kerr to sign his name to the application for that gentleman's being admitted as a Justice of the Peace.

The worthy Chairman then rose, and calling for the eyes in favor of Mr. Manning, received in return a medley of sounds; but on calling for the noes, "not a voice was heard," all was silent harmony.

S. Raymond, Esq., L. L. D. rose and said, that he never had reflected upon himself and family unjustly but it was not his object in rising to state his own qualifications, but simply to say, that he should not place himself in competition with Mr. Manning with this Bench, he should, however, wait in the field for his country votes. Dr. Kinchela then took the chair, and the usual thanks, &c., being passed to the Colonel, the Meeting adjourned.

ZINCOGRAPHY.—Mr. Barlow is bringing this peculiar style of Engraving or Drawing, to great perfection in this Colony. Lately has issued from his Zincographic Press, a half length portrait of B. Sutor, Esq., (a gentleman about to send into the world, a small volume of Poems), and a most faithful portrait never before in the course of our lives, has been engraved. Mr. B. is about to present for public inspection, a portrait (of a series) of "Old Mary," an aboriginal, who will be recognised at sight. This is also remarkably well done.

SUPREME COURT.—When the case Tucker v. Davis, was coming on for trial last Monday week, Elizabeth-street was thronged with drays and wheelbarrows, which circumstance the illiterate and illegal gazers could not comprehend, neither could the true chums of the law, until they saw behind each train there were two distinct trains a line of the law, arrayed in all the trappings of court, and carrying each some twenty or thirty volumes, which it was found quite impossible to place upon these vehicles. As soon as these two limbs of the law had conveyed their volumes into Court, the Judges having anticipated an easy day's work, fell back in consternation, when the monument of law books was erected on the table in their front, and the noble Judge Willis swooned, others that he was in a brood study, as to whether he should make a bolt, and leave the arduous duty of deciding between the legal tact of Messrs. Stephen and Windeyer. But whatever was said or thought, came far short of the truth, for the case was heard by the three Judges, and judgment passed to the satisfaction of one, if not both, of the voluminous barristers.

A seaman named James Watson, late of the brig Argo, was committed to take his trial the other day, under the following circumstances:—it appeared in evidence that the prisoner had called in company with the rest of the crew of the brig Argo, to regale themselves on bread, cheese, and beer, at the "Royal Oak, Miller's Point," at the expense of the chief officer. Shortly after they had retired, the prisoner returned in company with a woman, and asked for something to drink, but wanted tick, which Mr. Bond positively refused to give, knowing well that Watson had money. Mr. Bond immediately after refusing this request of Watson, observed two or three knives stuck in his waistcoat pocket, which he seized, and gave the man into custody. Watson stated in his defence, that he was so drunk, he was not aware of the mischief he had done to Mr. Bond, and in fact, the knives found upon his person were given him by a fellow seaman to take on board. Mr. Bond could not positively swear to the knives, but they were exactly like the pattern he had at home. The Colonel asked Mr. B., if when he took the knives from Watson's pocket, they smelt of cheese. This shows the Colonel is up to snuff.

An old man named Winch, who has many times been taken into custody under suspicion of being a thief, was placed at the bar the other day, having been found with a bag of cabbages slung over his back, supposed to have been bagged in or near the old Sheriff's gardens. The constable not appearing when called upon, the old cabbager was discharged, when, on going from the bar, he appealed to the Bench, as to his right of the cabbages found in the bag.

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.—Although Sydney and its environs have not been blessed for some time past with refreshing showers, it appears that, during our long period of weather, rain has fallen copiously in various districts throughout the Colony, at different periods; and the state of the crops so much commented upon lately will not be quite so bad as prognosticated by those who wish to alarm us by prophesying decays, and talking of dearth and famine until our leading men became alarmed, and who in their enthusiasm called for a fast! We have had accounts from various parts of the Colony, from Yass, Bathurst, South Creek, and other districts, stating that the rain had fallen in abundance, and in most cases, quite in time to save a great part, if not the whole of the crops.

H. F. Gisborne, Esq., the late third Police Magistrate for Sydney, has been appointed Police Magistrate at Wellington. This gentleman we have no doubt will fill the office with uprightness and talent. Although he may have a few failings—eccentricity for one—yet the public weal will not be injured by his appointment, but greatly benefited; for having been bred to the law, there is no doubt his judgment will be directed with strict impartiality, and thereby satisfy, not only the public, but the government appointing him to the situation. We certainly regret that he vacated his seat on the Sydney Bench, for never was a young officer under government so strict to his duties, nor so perfectly urbane to those whose business it was to attend to his instructions and orders. This we cannot say of our present third Police Magistrate.

G. M. C. Bowen, Esq., has been appointed a Police Magistrate at Cassilis, and a Magistrate of the territory.

THE REVENUE.—It appears by the last Quarterly Abstract of the Revenue of this Colony, ending 30th ult. as compared with the corresponding quarter in 1837, that a decrease of no less than £14,830, 4s 11½d has taken place. The decrease under the head of Crown Lands is no less than £9,580 6s 3d, and that of Customs £2,920, 10s 6d. The Customs at Port Phillip shows an increase of £86 16s 6d. The Crown Lands at the same settlement has added to our Revenue £4,678 3s 10d; and licenses to depasture stock on the Crown Lands there, £130. The amount for licenses to retail spirits in the Colony shows a decrease of £2,100 10s.

A man named Fitzpatrick, an ex-constable, was committed to take his trial on Thursday last, for attempting to pass a forged order upon Mr. Davidson, of George-street, for the sum of £5 5s, purporting to be drawn on Mr. O'Hara, of Prince-street. There are several other charges against him of a similar import.

THE "MONITOR" VERSUS THE PUBLICANS.—We refer the publicans to a letter signed "Pro Bono Publico" in the Monitor of Monday last, in opposition to an article in our Journal respecting the hardship on that body in consequence of a recent government order. We leave them to judge whether they ought or ought not to be obliged to the Editor of the Monitor for his insertion of a letter so very detrimental to their interests, and so illiberal in its tendency.

COURT OF REQUESTS, Nov. 3.—The defendant was summoned for £2, being the balance of £4, which had been the sum agreed for the conveyance of one or two persons from Sydney to Bradley's Head. His Honor the Commissioner thought this a most exorbitant demand, and a very extraordinary one, particularly as the defendant admitted that he had already paid £2; but the plaintiff insisted that an agreement had been made, and he claimed "his bond" upon further investigation, however, it appeared that this extraordinary demand was for conveying a bolt on board a vessel then about to sail. The learned Commissioner animadverted in very strong terms on the conduct of the waterman in engaging himself in any such affair, and intimated that it would have been more to his credit, if he had refused to be employed in any such business. The defendant attempted an explanation, but the Commissioner put the matter short by dismissing the case. [We saw a report of this case in the Monitor of Monday, and as the Editor talks so much of his correctness; we ask him if this report be correct.—Ed.]

Such was the severity of the late frost in King-caring, that a person who kept a dairy was to a little disconcerted to find the whole of his milk in a solid mass of ice. As his customers must be served, and there was no time for thawing such a quantity, he immediately set to work with a saw and axe, and dividing it into pieces, delivered a portion to each.

The following naive love promise was recently made to a filially given inmate:—"I like you," sighed the girl to her suitor, "but I can't leave home. I'm a widow's only darling. No husband can ever equal my parent in kindness." "She is kind," pleaded the wooer—"but my wife—will live all together, and see if I don't beat you mother."

Original Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Commercial Journal.

SIR.—Having observed in your Paper a short time since, a paragraph relative to my son having been stopped on the road leading from Pitt Town to Windsor, and that the facts are incorrect, and inserted without my knowledge, as I am not in the habit of making things public until I have taken every means possible for the ends of justice. The facts of the case are as follows, my son is only eleven years of age, he was sent to Pitt Town on a "Timor pony" by Mr. Maughan of this Town, (with whom he is residing) for the purpose of receiving some money; on his return, and about three miles from Windsor, he observed a man of a very suspicious appearance on the road, he immediately took notice of this man, and then proceeded to Windsor, and found that the pony had reached there before him, Mr. Maughan then sent for me, and the above statement was made before Mr. North, the Police Magistrate, of this District, who immediately gave directions to the constabulary to go in pursuit of the man. The boy described the fellow to be about five feet four inches high, that he had the appearance of a young man, he wore a black silk handkerchief round his neck and was dressed in a blue shirt, the sleeves of which were rolled up, he also observed that he had an anchor pinned on his arm. I am happy to add that a man answering the above description has been apprehended in this neighbourhood, and proved to be an absentee for the last fourteen months, but unluckily my son cannot identify him, in consequence of the rascal's face being covered when he stopped him.

I am, Sir, Your obedient Servant, GEORGE JILKS.

Windsor, 3rd November, 1838.

Van Diemen's Land.

By the Abercrombie from Hobart Town, the 26th, and the William from Launceston, the 29th ult., we have received Hobart Town and Launceston Journals, from which we observe the following:—

(From "Murray's Review," Oct. 23.)

LADY ARTHUR and family embarked on the 7th June, in the New York Packet, to join Sir George Arthur in Canada. The Government offered Lady Arthur the accommodation of proceeding in Her Majesty's Ship Herald, proceeding to the Halifax station, but the route per New York was preferred. We should suppose the story of Sir George Arthur's "recall" is thus finally settled.

MR. ASHBURNER, of Launceston, is to receive the appointment of Member of Council, vice Mr. Willis, who has resigned from ill-health. It is stated that there will be another vacancy, for which there are two candidates, gentlemen of directly opposite political opinions.

MR. DISCOLO.—This gentleman is succeeded by Mr. R. Gunn, from Launceston, who is daily expected to assume the duties of Second Assistant Police Magistrate. There are some other appointments spoken of as probable, but which are not determined upon.

THE MILITARY.—The 21st Regiment will not we believe embark until Christmas at the earliest. Major Ryan remains in the command of the troops until the arrival of a senior officer, notwithstanding the departure of the 50th Regiment.

THE WEATHER.—There was a beautiful Aurora on Saturday night about 11 o'clock. It extended about 30 degrees of the Horizon, in the S. W. at low altitudes, not exceeding 25 degrees. The rain on Friday night was, we believe, general and abundant.

HOBART TOWN PRICE CURRENT, Oct. 23.—Wheat 6s to 7s, Barley, English 6s to 6s 6d, Cape barley 4s to 5s, Chevalier ditto 6s 6d to 7s, rye 7s, oats 4s 9d to 5s, beans 6s, peas, white 6s to 6s 6d, ditto grey 6s 6d to 7s, grass seed 9s to 12s, apples 15s to 20s per bushel; Flour, fine 15s to 16s per cwt.

(From the Cornwall Chronicle, Sept. 29.)

UNION BANK.—A branch of this bank will commence business at Campbell Town, in the course of next week. Mr. Gilles, the manager, is at that Town making the necessary arrangements, which he will perfect before he leaves. This branch bank will prove a great accommodation to the inland settlers.

We are requested to express the displeasure of the mourners in attendance on the funeral of the late Mrs. John Anderson Browne, at the extreme carelessness of dress, and want of decent respect exhibited by the Episcopal Minister, who appeared with an old glazed hat upon the occasion, and who, when the procession was ready to advance, was reminded by a gentleman, that he was without his scarf, which had, through his carelessness, been mislaid. The melancholy procession was detained for some time, to enable the Reverend Divine properly to arrange himself, much to the annoyance of the mourners, and to the disgrace of the minister. We cannot too severely censure that unfeeling department, so common with the gentleman alluded to, upon the most solemn occasions, which leaves no doubt in the minds of those who witness it, that the sad duties of his office are performed with little pain to his heart.

(From Hobart, Oct. 20.)

STEAM TUG.—The attention of the inhabitants is directed to an advertisement on Tuesday next, convening a public meeting, on Tuesday next, effectually to arrange matters relative to establishing a Steam Tug upon the Tamer; at a preliminary meeting that took place a few days back, it was agreed that the sum of Two Thousand Pounds should be subscribed in £100 shares—which arrangement was no sooner known than completely defeated, in consequence of several of the inhabitants expressing a desire to be Shareholders—it is now suggested to increase the amount of Shares to £50 each, and to increase the capital to £3000.—We regret our inability to publish an article already in type, upon the advantages that would be the result of a Steam Tug on the River Tamer. It is the only arrangement necessary to ensure dispatch in the Port trade, and to remedy the accidents now so frequent among the shipping. The speculation will, we have no doubt, be highly profitable to the proprietors of the Boat, as she will prove advantageous to the interests of the Port, and the community generally.

LAND SALE.—The property in St. John street, between the Stores of Mr. Connolly and Messrs. Smith, Raven & Co., comprising the George Inn, and some small Buildings, was brought to the hammer by Mr. Francis, on Tuesday last, and realised the amount of £2930.

Various statements having been circulated regarding the circumstances attending Captain Macnochie's leaving Government House, it is believed that a service will be done to the community by inserting the following on good authority. Captain Macnochie's imputed offence was his having accompanied certain official papers on convict discipline, which the Lieutenant Governor forwarded, with others, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with a non-official letter, and summary of their contents, addressed to a gentleman in England, with a request, that should there be no impropriety in such a course, that they might be communicated to the Secretary of State for the Home Department. His object in doing this was to obtain for his views in the latter quarter, to which the subject peculiarly belonged, a consideration on principle, apart from the details with which in the former quarter they were necessarily connected. But his Excellency's conduct, which disrespects has been thus shown and admitted, taken both of himself and the department with which he corresponds; and it is a matter of great regret to Captain Macnochie that conduct which he then thought, and still thinks, may be excused, if not justified, by the circumstances in which he was placed, and the motive which guided him, should even by possibility, be open to an interpretation which he did not think of at the time, and which would make it unjustifiable in any circumstances whatever. His Excellency has indulged much personal kindness with his displeasure; but he has made no overtures to Captain Macnochie unsuited to his high station or incompatible with his continued dissatisfaction on the above point. And Captain Macnochie has not yet had the bad taste or bad feeling, to reject any that have been made. In his observations on the moral tendency of the existing penal system, of which he thinks very ill, Captain Macnochie presumed not to call in question the moral conduct of his fellow colonists. He has made no statement, whatever, which could, he thinks, justify personal offence being taken any where; and he courts rather than fears, the publication of all he has written on the subject, on the spot, where its accuracy can be best tested. But on the particular point of moral decorum he has not spoken at all.—Murray's Review, Oct. 9.

LAUNCH OF THE SIR GEORGE ARTHUR.

(From the Courier.)

On Tuesday last, the very gratifying sight of the launch of a vessel of considerable magnitude was witnessed at Kangaroo Point. This ship, which we noticed a few weeks since as being in a very forward state, has been nearly two years in building, from a model by Mr. Johnson. She is the largest vessel which has been built in this or any of the Australian Colonies, and reflects the highest credit upon the spirited proprietor, Mr. Petchey, and all concerned. Her dimensions are as follows:—Length of keel, 83 feet 6 inches; extreme beam, 30 feet 1 inch; depth of hold, 21 feet 6 inches; imperial register, 387 tons. As a work of colonial art and industry, we cannot look upon her without a feeling of proud satisfaction. We believe in Canada, the Government was launched a few months back, the commencement of a colonial navy, which, we hope, is destined to rank high in generations yet to come. In it we behold not only a suitable and profitable employment for a large portion of native youths, but a sure and certain means of giving trade, commerce, and ultimate prosperity to Van Diemen's Land. With a healthy and temperate climate, our native seamen reared in the merchant service, will be robust and hearty—active and daring. Our insular position affords us the advantages of an unlimited extension of commercial intercourse; and we doubt not that the enterprising spirit of many individuals in the colony will ere long reap a substantial benefit from the intermediate commerce which may be carried on between the various countries and islands scattered over the vast expanse of the immense Pacific Ocean. The commencement of our colonial shipbuilding was attended with considerable difficulties, arising not more from the scarcity of shipwrights and materials, than from the want of a knowledge and proper management of the peculiar wood of this country. But experience and a due attention to the process of seasoning the timber has now proved that ships built of this country's wood are more durable than those vessels constructed in the mother country; and we are enabled to state, upon the authority of Mr. Gray, a first-rate shipbuilder, that our gum-tree wood, when properly seasoned, is preferable to English oak for the purpose of shipbuilding; whilst nature, in this colony, so far aids the shipwright in his labour, that there is no form or curve which may be required in the art of shipbuilding, either for 'transoms' or 'knees,' no lengths which may be wanted for masts or spars, that cannot be found spontaneously growing in our forests.