

bers, for sleeping apartments. Besides this, there is another house of the same size, where they eat after a civilized manner. They are allowed meats as often as they can be procured. For the sick there is a separate building, where they can be retired from the noise of the school, and have such attention as their wants require. Mrs. Coan supports a smaller school for girls upon much the same plan.

The Excellency Gov. Kekuanoa, sailed for Maui on Monday last, on account of the illness of Kekuanohi, who, at the last advices, was seriously indisposed.

**Kapa Paper.**—We have received some specimens of writing paper manufactured from old kapa sent to the United States for that purpose, some years since by the S. I. Mission. It is a coarse but strong article, and bears the ink well. The freight between here and America is too high ever to allow it to become a profitable article of export.

**Fire.**—A fire broke out Sunday morning last, and completely destroyed a building in the rear of Hungai's China shop. Its immediate discovery probably saved that building from destruction, and prevented an extensive conflagration.

Sunday Commercial Journal of March 21, 1849, received by the Forager, reports in port U. S. Ship *Perceps*, sailing. On the 19th, U. S. Ship *Vincennes*, Commodore Wilkes, sailed on a cruise.

By the Ellen, from China, R. Campbell, Jun. & Co., agents, we have received the "Canton Press," dated the 17th January, 1849, from which we copy the following Proclamation:—

**PROCLAMATION.**

Lin. Imperial High Commissioner, Viceroy of the two Keang Provinces, &c., &c. Tang, a President of the Board of War, Viceroy of the two Kwang Provinces, &c. E. a Vice President of the Board of War, Lieutenant Governor of Kwanton, &c., &c.

Hereby conjointly proclaim to all men that they may thoroughly know and understand.

WHEREAS on the 19th year of Thonkwang, 11th moon and 29th day, (13th January,) we received an Imperial Edict to the following effect:—

"The Foreigners of the English nation; from and after the time that it was agreed upon to prohibit Opium, have been continually shifting backwards and forwards. On a previous occasion, (alluding perhaps to the battle of Kowloon,) they had the hardihood to be the first to fire off great guns, and afterwards, under false pretences of respect and obedience, they leagued themselves with ships of war and clandestinely schemed after revenge and reprisals. At that time, although we awarded them the chastisement (due to their rashness) yet did we not immediately cut off their commercial intercourse, not deeming (their faults hitherto) worthy of so stern a display of (Celestial) dignity. But this time the foreign ship *Smith* (i. e. H. B. M. S. *Volage*.) having again dared to be the first to fire off his great guns, and further having seized upon (?) a place called Kwan Chong, (i. e. the neighborhood of Hongkong,) as a stronghold or fastness, this is quite enough to show that these said (English) foreigners cherish dark and unfathomable designs in their hearts! Thus, even granting that they were at this time to give the duly prepared bond, and yet it is difficult to secure that they would not be turning and twisting again, and if they, having so often shown us opposition and defiance, we were still to permit them to hold commercial intercourse with us, this would indeed be a very improper way of managing affairs. As to the little petty amount of duties, this is a subject not worthy a monarch's consideration:—We of the Heavenly Dynasty cherished these foreigners from afar, with the utmost kindness and benevolence, but these said foreigners know not to feel grateful! They, on the other hand, act the part of the unfilial *She* (which attacks and attempts to destroy its mother as soon as hatched:—) that they are in the wrong, and we in the

right, is a fact known alike to those of the inner land, and to those from beyond the seas. Since then these said (English) foreigners, by their own act put themselves out of the pale of the laws, what occasion is there for us to feel any sorrow or regret about them? CAUSE THEREFORE THAT THE TRADE OF THE ENGLISH NATION BE IMMEDIATELY PUT A STOP TO, AND LET EVERY ONE OF THE SHIPS BELONGING TO THE SAID NATION BE FORTHWITH DRIVEN OUT! Cause at the same time that it be clearly proclaimed and made known to all nations, and let the crimes (of the English) be duly and specifically drawn up in order, and disseminated among the people of all countries, showing them how that the English foreigners have cut themselves off from communion with the Celestial Dynasty, and that this affair has no reference to you, (the good) foreigners of other countries. Do ye then, oh! all foreigners of other nations be respectful and submissive as hitherto, and you will be permitted to continue your commercial intercourse as of old! But if you dare to shelter or protect the English, or clandestinely to convey them (or their property?) into our harbors, as soon as found out, then shall your crime be visited with the most severe punishment, &c., &c. Respect this!"

The Proclamation proceeds to enumerate the infringements of their laws by Mr. Elliot, and British shipping before and since the stoppage of the tea trade on the 6th December, 1839, and further states,

"Do ye then, all ye foreigners of other nations, look up with awe to the great Emperor, and as you receive his foolish tender and unbounded goodness in permitting you to continue your commercial intercourses as of old, know that, in order to preserve in safety your persons and properties, you must reverently observe the laws and prohibitions! If ye dare however clandestinely to give ear to the insidious counsels of the English, or convey up the goods brought on in their ships, or dispose of the said goods (for them,) the moment that such clandestine procedure is discovered, will crime be visited by the severest punishment! We shall also duly memorialize the Emperor that the trade of the said offending nation be in like manner put a stop to! What then will your after repentance avail you? Let every one tremble and obey! Do not oppose!"

A special Proclamation! Taoukwang, 13th year, 12th moon, 1st day. Canton, 5th January 1840.

**BLOCKADE OF THE RIVER AND PORT OF CANTON.**—After having written the above we received the Public Notice, of Captain Smith and Captain Elliot, these of the former annually his notices concerning the blockade of the port in September last, and informing the Public that it will now again be blockaded, such blockade to commence on the 15th day of this month, because a British subject (Mr. Gribble) has without cause been taken by the Chinese authorities, and is still detained by them, and that of the latter declaring that shippers by the two British ships *Thomas Coutts* and *Royal Saxon*, which proceeded to Whampoa in violation of the Superintendent's injunctions, will be exposed to much inconvenience if from China they proceed to any British port.

Sydney Com. Journal, April 13.

**COMMUNICATED.**

Mr. Editor.—Sir, Since the departure of the Bark *Flora* for New York, a report has been current that His Hawaiian Majesty sent by her some twenty tons of sugar, of the manufacture of these Islands, and with the sole object of its being transhipped at New York for France and of there testing the question, (if it be one) whether the productions of this kingdom will be admitted into France duty free or at most at the small duty of 5 per cent ad valorem.

How His Majesty could have got any such idea as above alluded to, is very extraordinary; as it must be evident to any intelligent man whose judgement is unwarped by prejudice, uninfluenced by bad passions or a reckless desire to keep this government in constant conflict with foreign powers, that the late treaty between the king of the French and the king of the Sandwich Islands (commonly called Laplace's Treaty) admits of no such privilege. Here is the treaty—read it and judge for yourself.

Art. 1st. There shall be perpetual peace and friendship between the king of the French and the king of the Sandwich Islands.

Art. 2nd. The French shall be protected in an effectual manner in their persons and property by the king of the Sandwich Islands, who shall also grant them an authorization sufficient so as to enable them judicially to prosecute his subjects against whom they will have just reclamations to make.

Art. 3rd. This protection shall be extended to French ships and to their crews and officers. In case of shipwreck the chiefs and inhabitants of the various parts of the Archipelago shall assist them and procure them from pillage. The indemnities for salvage shall be regulated, in case of difficulty, by arbiters selected by both parties.

Art. 4th. No Frenchman accused of any crime whatever shall be tried except by a jury composed of French residents, proposed by the French Consul and approved of by the Government of the Sandwich Islands.

Art. 5th. The desertion of sailors belonging to French ships shall be strictly prevented by the local authorities, who shall employ every disposable means to arrest deserters, and the expenses of the capture shall be paid by the captain or owners of the aforesaid ships according to the tariff adopted by the other nations.

Art. 6th. French merchandises or those known to be French produce, and particularly wines and *caux de vie* (brandy) cannot be prohibited, and shall not pay an import duty higher than 5 per cent ad valorem.

Art. 7th. No tonnage or importation duties shall be exacted from French merchants, unless they are paid by the subjects of the nation the most favored in its commerce with the Sandwich Islands.

Art. 8th. The subjects of king Tamehameha III. shall have a right in the French possessions to all the advantages which the French enjoy at the Sandwich Islands, and they shall moreover be considered as belonging to the most favored nation in their commercial relations with France.

Made and signed by the contracting parties the 17th July, 1839.

Signed TAMEHAMEHA III. C. LAPLACE. Post Capt. Commanding the French Frigate *Arctique*.

It may be said that the first part or clause of Article 8th, admits the right, and on the ground that as French produce is admitted into this country free of duty—the same privileges must be granted in France to importation of Sandwich Island produce; but such an interpretation is far from the plain meaning of that article. The first clause having regard to *personal* or political and civil rights and privileges only, the last clause to *commercial* ones, and putting these people upon the footing of the most favored nations and nothing more.

Sugar is not admitted into France except of the manufacture of the French colonial possessions; and even in that case, the duty levied upon it heretofore has been almost prohibitory, with a view to the encouragement of the home manufacture of sugar from the Beet root.

It is to be hoped that His Majesty's advisers in this instance will stand ready to pay the total loss which must eventually arise upon this shipment. Yours, August 17th. A MERCHANT.

**MARINE NEWS.**

**PORT OF HONOLULU.**

**ARRIVED.**

Aug. 15. Haw. Schr. *Paalua*, Maui.  
" 18. Br. Bark *Forager*, Thomson; 180 days from London, via Concepcion, Chili.  
" 21. Br. Brig *Friends*, Rugg; Tahiti and the Southern Islands.  
" 21. Haw. Schr. *Paalua*, Maui.

**SAILLED.**

Aug. 15. Br. Brig *Clementine*, Bowbeys; Hawaii.  
" 17. Haw. Schr. *Paalua*, Maui.

**PASSENGERS.**

Brig *Clementine*, Rev. Asa Thorston. Sch. *Paalua*, Gov. Kekuanoa, Mr. and Mrs. Richards.

Mr. E. Sullivan reports the following list of whale ships in at Lahaina, Maui, Aug. 21.

Ship	no. out.	bbls.	this sea.
Gideon Howland, Baker,	20	1060	09
Fama, Hoyer,		169	60
Elizabeth, C. Wood,		2150	210
E. C. Richmond, J. Wood,		2250	230
Loan, Merchant,		850	60
Couner, Hardwick,		950	200

**E. & H. GRIMES,**  
Have on hand and for sale on reasonable terms, an assortment of English, American, and China Goods. Among which may be found the following, viz.  
**Brown, Blue, White Cotton and Linen Drills**, Cotton Hdkfs., Black, Blue, and White Linen and Cotton Thread, Bleached and Unbleached American Cottons, different widths and qualities, American, English and French Prints, Men's and Women's Cotton Hose, Kid Gloves, Satin, India Rubber and Cotton Suspenders, Marking Ink, Felt Ribands, Bed-ticking, Sailor Strijds, Black Hats, Men and women's Shoes, Breeches, and calf skin Boots and Pumps, White Shirts, with linen and grass cloth bosoms, Felt Hood Robes, Pure Irish Linens, English Long Cloth, Ready Made Clothing, Cotton, Nankin, &c. &c. Tassels, Bonnets, Hair Brushes, Tortoise Shell Dress Combs, Wick Yarn.

**CHINA GOODS.**  
Light and Dark Blue Cottons, Souchong, Wesson and Poaching Teas, Sewing Silk, Blue and Yellow Nankins, White Grass Cloth, Crapes, Colored and Black Silk Hdkfs., Ribands, Grass Cloth Clothing, Plain Grass Hdkfs., Muslin.

**HARDWARE.**  
Shovels, Spades, Knives and Forks, Spoons, Jack Knives, Scissors, Pins, Needles, Gimbets, Padlocks, Butcher Knives, Hat Pins, Spring Balances, Iron and Brass Shelves, Iron and Wooden Coffee Mills, Percussion Caps, Braces and Bits, Sad Iron, Back Saws, Copper Tacks, Nails, assorted, Sheet Iron, Steelyards, Fry Pans, Sauce Pans, Wrought and Cast Iron Tea Kettles, Bake Pans, Tea Trays, Jew's Harps, Razors, Hatchets, Axes, Spoke Shaves, Adzes, Jack Planes, Door Locks, Latches, Chest Locks, Sail Needles, Fish Hooks, Hints, Looking Glasses, Pistols, Fowling Pieces, Rifle, Iron Rivets, Brass Nails, Whet Stones, Socket Bolts, Brass Screws, Rim Locks, Screw and Pod Augers, Gunter's Scales, Powder Shot, Pig Lead, Gun Locks, Globe Lanterns, Coffee Roasters, Beek Lights.

**STATIONERY.**  
Memorandum Books, Ledger Books, Cargo Books, Gilt edge Note Paper, Letter Paper, Ruled and plain Cap Paper, Quills, Wafers, Blue, Black and Red Ink, Steel Pens, Inkstands, Shipping Papers, and Commercial Blanks.

**LUMBER.**  
Cedar Logs, Cedar Boards, American Pine Shingles, Koa Boards, Plank and Shingles, N. W. Rafters, and American Pine Rattens.

**SUNDRIES.**  
Olive Oil, Olives, Mustard, Spanish, Manila Cigars, Ground Sage, Snuff, Tobacco, Stoughton's Elixir, Lemon Syrup, Ketchup, Nutmegs, Mace, Cloves, Black Pepper, Fox Raisins, Dried Apples, Essence of Spruce and Peppermint, and Cinnamon, Gr. Ginger, Brown and White Sugar, Flour, Pemican, California Beef, Peas and Beans, 20 doz Cut Tomatoes, Macaroni Vermicelli, California, American & English Soap, Lucifer Matches, Capers, Ale, Old Port and Sherry, Cordage, Pails, Buckets, Course and Fine Combs, Sperm Oil, China, Pipes, Pans, Figs, Lozenges, Molasses, Stone Jars, Violins, Fine Heavy Blankets, Ship's Windlass, Jewelry, Hemp Cable, Pitch, Rosin, Arrow-root, Cutlasses, Soup Ladles, Britannia Tea and Table Spoons, White Flannel, Red and Blue Twilled Wool Shirts, Malt Bags, Brooms, Denmark Satin, Harness Buckles, Music, Cans, Raspberry Jam, Preserved Gooseberries and Cherries, Axe Handles, Lavender Water, Confectionaries, Shave Brushes, Handspikes, Flour and Second Glasses, Gib Hanks, 1 China Bureau, 1 new Fore-Sail, 1 Clench Boat, 2 Chain Cables, 2 Anchors.

**For New York.**  
The fine New Ship *LAUSANNE*, four hundred tons burthen per register, J. SPALDING, Master, will sail direct for New York, on or about the 15th of October. For freight or passage, apply to the Master or to  
Aug. 22. PEIRCE & BREWER.

**For Sale.**  
5 bales  $\frac{1}{2}$  Brown Cotton, Nashua Mills.  
8 bales 4-4 Brown Cotton, Tremont do.  
3 bales  $\frac{1}{2}$  Brown Drilling, do. do.  
1 case  $\frac{1}{2}$  White do. do. do.  
15 cases 4-4 Blue Cottons, China.  
10 cases Blue Nankins.  
1 case Fine Cambric.  
6 cases assorted Prints.  
25 kegs White Lead.  
25 kegs Black Paint.  
25 kegs Green Paint.  
1 case of Verdigris, in tin cans.  
49 canisters best Linseed Paint Oil, each 5 gallons.  
8 canisters do. do. 10 do.  
25 bolts Russian Canvass.  
2 bales Bagging.  
12 kegs assorted Nails.  
20 coils Russian cordage.  
50 coils Manila Rope.  
2 Chain Cables.  
4 small Anchors.  
6 cases Sheathing Copper.  
30 barrels Beef and Pork.  
22,000 lbs. Navy and Pilot Bread.  
6 boxes China Shawls.  
1 box Satin Figured Handkerchiefs.  
1 box Pongee Handkerchiefs.  
**Peirce & Brewer.**  
Honolulu, Aug. 22, 1840. if.