



**STEAM SHIP "SEAHORSE."**

**Steam Communication between Sydney, Van Diemen's Land, and Port Phillip.**

**THE FAST STEAM SHIP "SEAHORSE,"** will leave Sydney, from the Flour Company's Wharf, FOR HOBART TOWN, On Tuesday evening, the 7th of March, at six o'clock.

FOR THE TOWN OF LAUNCESTON, AND PORT PHILLIP, On Friday evening, the 24th March, at six o'clock.

CABIN FARE - - - - £10 0 0  
STORAGE - - - - - 4 0 0

Freights—To Hobart Town, 30s. per ton; to Launceston, 30s. per ton; to Port Phillip, 45s. per ton. Bills of Lading must be upon the usual steam ship forms, which can be procured at any stationers. Further information obtained on application to **BOYD AND CO.,** Unwin's Buildings, Custom House.

**FOR SALE OR BARTER,**

A CUTTER, 18 tons register, built in 1839, well adapted for the river trade, drawing only four feet of water when loaded. She is well found in sails, &c., and will be sold cheap. Colonial produce, merchandise, or freehold property in or near Sydney will be taken in exchange. Apply to **JOHN LITTLE,** Grocer, Brickfield-hill, George-street.

**AN APPRENTICE WANTED.**

WANTED A YOUTH, about twelve or fourteen years of age, as an apprentice to a respectable Trade, £30 premium will be required, and a month's trial allowed, if required. Address, by letter, post paid, to A. M. SUN office.

**Printing.**

EVERY DESCRIPTION of Letter-press and Copper-plate Printing executed with neatness and despatch by E. Mason, SUN Office, on very reasonable terms. Window-bills printed extraordinarily cheap. Bakers' bills, paper included, 9s. per 1000; cards, 3s. 6d per 100. billheads, 17s. per 1000.

**MEMORANDA.**

THE undersigned having met with a suitable counting-house, is now prepared to devote his whole time and attention to the duties of a Broker, his plan of business will be to effect extensive sales and make as few bad debts as possible; the BAD and DOUBTFUL will in no case be sold to, unless by express orders. By despatch, secrecy, and a faithful observance of instructions the undersigned hopes to render his negotiations satisfactory to all parties. **SAMUEL PEEK, Broker.** George-street, second door from Aldis's, Tobacconist.

**BEEF TIERCES**

FOR SALE at the undermentioned, perfectly NEW, at a reduced price, also a large assortment of other articles.

**DAVID WILLIAMS,** Cooperage, Brown Bear Lane, Lower George-street.

**GENERAL AGENCY OFFICE.**

No. 47, PHILLIP-STREET.

ESTABLISHED JUNE 23, 1842, ON THE CLOSE OF THE HOME FOR IMMIGRANTS, AND CONDUCTED BY J. FREDERICK JOHNSON, LATE CLERK TO THAT INSTITUTION.

THIS Office has, since its establishment, been the means of forming upwards of 2000 engagements, and now numbers amongst its supporters, the most respectable and influential Citizens and Colonists. The Proprietor, in returning thanks for such kind and liberal encouragement, wishes to state that every exertion is made to establish and maintain a respectable and efficient class of domestics in the Colony, and of facilitating their engagement (by the constant attendance during office hours, of servants of good character.) without that uncertainty and expense which attends newspaper advertisements, which are generally replied to either by incompetent or indifferent persons, whose characters are too well known at this office to entitle them to its benefits.

- Amongst the numerous disengaged list will be found—
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| Tutors                         | Governesses            |
| Butlers                        | Housekeepers           |
| Coachmen                       | Housemaids             |
| Cooks                          | Laundresses            |
| Grooms                         | Cooks (plain)          |
| Gardeners (single and married) | Nurses                 |
| Farm Labourers                 | Dairymaids             |
| Shepherds                      | General House Servants |
| Bricklayers                    |                        |
| Masons                         |                        |
| Carpenters                     |                        |
| Shoemakers                     |                        |
| Blacksmiths                    |                        |
- And Mechanics of every description.

The office hours are now from 6 till 5 instead of from 10 till 3, as formerly, and the office fee (from non-subscribers) to be paid on application. Post-paid applications (stating the description of servant required, and enclosing either the amount of the expenses, or an order for the payment thereof, on an agent in Sydney,) punctually attended to. It is intended to publish, for general information, monthly statements of the wages given to each class of servants.

Under the Patronage of His Excellency Sir Maurice O'Connell, K. C. B., Commander of the Forces, &c., &c.

**GRAND CONCERT OF VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, AT THE ROYAL HOTEL, On WEDNESDAY Evening, MARCH 8th, 1843.**

ON this occasion the assistance of the principal Members of the Musical Profession, as well as that of several Amateurs, will be gratuitously afforded, and a novelty presented to the public in the performance, by four of the latter, of several Swiss Melodies, in the style of the Bavarian Brothers and the Rayner Family, in which the characteristic Jodlin of the Swiss peasantry will be introduced, for the first time in this colony.

Principal Instrumental Performers:—  
Mr. Wallace, Mr. E. Deane, Mr. Pappin,  
Mr. Leggatt, Mr. W. Deane, Mr. Downs,  
Mr. Gibbs, Mr. O'Flaherty, Mr. Turner,  
Mr. Deane, Senior, Mr. Portbury, Mr. Walstrop,  
Monsieur Gautrot, and Amateurs.

Vocal Performers:—  
Mrs. Clancy, Mrs. Wallace, Mr. J. Simmons,  
Mrs. Gibbs, Madame Gautrot, and Gentlemen Amateurs.

Conductor - Mr. Leggatt. Leader - Mr. Wallace. J. C. Russell, Esq., Treasurer.

**PROGRAMME.—Part I.**

- Overture: Gaza ladra—Rossini - Mrs. Gibbs.
- Song: "Mermad's Cave,"—E. C. Horn - Mrs. Gibbs.
- Duet, Clarinet and Tenor: "Together let us range the field," Arranged by T. Leggatt. - Mrs. Leggatt, Mons. Gautrot.
- Song: "I sing to love a roundelay," - Mr. Simmons.
- Song: "Ecco redente il cielo,"—Rossini - Madame Gautrot.
- Song: "The last rose of summer," - Mrs. Clancy.
- Solo: Flute - Mr. W. Wallace.
- Swiss Melodies: first time in this Colony, - Amateurs.

**Part II.**

- Overture: Tancredi—Rossini - Mrs. Clancy.
- Song: "Sweetly o'er my senses stealing," - Mrs. Clancy.
- Song: La Fauvette; French Air & Variations—Gretry - Madame Gautrot.
- Solo: Thema—Paganini; arranged by Gautrot for one string - Mrs. Gautrot.
- Song: "She wore a wreath of roses" - Mons. Wallace.
- Swiss Melodies, - Amateurs.
- Song: "Auld Robin Gray," - Mrs. Gibbs.
- Song: Tyrolean Maiden's Song, - Mrs. Clancy.
- Solo and Chorus: "God save the Queen." - Mrs. Clancy.

The Concert will commence at 8 o'clock precisely.

Tickets 5s. each, to be had of Mr. Sparke, Royal Hotel; Mr. Ellard, George-street; Mr. Aldis, George-street; Mr. Wright, Victoria Hotel; Mr. Gill, Pitt-street; Mr. Aspinwall, King-street; and of the Treasurer, Mr. Russell, Pitt-street.

**Registry Office for Servants, &c., &c.,**

PARRAMATTA STREET, (OPPOSITE THE WELLINGTON INN,) SYDNEY.

HENRY WHYTE respectfully acquaints the Public that he has opened, for the better convenience of the Inhabitants residing at the South end of the Town, a **REGISTRY OFFICE** for servants of all grades, and hopes by strict attention, to receive a share of support and patronage. N. B.—Country orders punctually attended to.—(Postage Free).

HENRY WHYTE. Parramatta-street, Feb. 24th, 1843.

**MECHANICS,**

**DON'T BUY SLOP CLOTHING,** but order your cloths, and give employment to your fellow men, especially when you can get them as Cheap as Slops,—you can get a good SUIT OF CLOTHES, consisting of Coat, Waistcoat, and Trousers, any colour, well made and to fit you.

For \$4 10s.,

At H. Hayes' Australian Clothing Establishment, 72, George-street, near the Royal Hotel.

MR. JOHN DILLON, Solicitor, has this day removed his offices from George-street, (adjoining the Royal Hotel), to his **RESIDENCE IN YORK STREET**, next house to the City Council Chambers, and within a few yards north of the York Street entrance to the Sydney Police Office. Sydney, February 23rd, 1843.

**To Newspaper Proprietors & Printers Generally.**

**NOTICE OF REMOVAL.**

H. EVERS, PRINTERS' JOINER, begs respectfully to inform the Trade that he has removed to the Redfern Estate, on the ground of the Flag Staff, where he continues to manufacture cases of every description, quoins, reglet, and furniture; brass and mahogany galleys, iron composing sticks all sizes; mahogany broadside ditto to 36 inches; box-wood and gum-metal shooting-sticks; bodkins, case and imposing frames, letter and writing boards, &c., &c., &c. Letters by Post or orders to be sent to Mr. Elliott's, baker, Brickfield-hill, George-street, Sydney. All articles warranted 12 months; and prices strictly moderate. N. B.—An apprentice wanted, one whose morals and education have been attended to would be preferred.

**Notice to all the Operative Stonemasons of Sydney and its vicinity.**

A GENERAL MEETING of the above Trade will be held on the Evening of TUESDAY, the 7th instant, at half-past Seven o'clock, in the house of Mr. Baker, Crown and Anchor, George Street, to take into consideration important business connected with the Trade. A full Meeting is expected. March 2nd, 1843.

**WOOL.**

THE undersigned are purchasers of WOOL of the present clip. ECCLESTON AND HIRST. Queen-street.

**THE SUN, March 4, 1843.**

**THE LIBERTY OF THE PRESS.**

We have received an "official," from the Colonial Secretary's department, calling on us for proof of the charges, preferred against the "understrappers" (i. e. convict messengers, clerks, and gatekeepers) belonging to the Hyde Park Barrack Establishment, in the following article which appeared in our last number. The professed object of affording us the opportunity of substantiating the accusations herein contained is, to "vindicate the honour of the department."

**HYDE PARK BARRACKS.**

THE flagrant impositions which the understrappers, (and even some who do not come under that denomination) at Hyde Park Barracks, have been long notorious for practising on those of the prisoner class, who have had occasion to apply to the Principal Superintendent of convicts office, for certificates of freedom, Tickets of Leave and other indulgences, or indeed information of any kind, have long been a crying scandal on the head of that department, and the successive heads of the Local Government, who have tolerated, for so many years, so infamous a system of official plunder. Of course, we have not the most remote intention of charging Captain M'Lean, or the Governor of the colony, with winking or conniving at these dishonest and disgraceful practices, but we do mean to charge that officer and the local government with inexcusable inattention to the details of the business of the office, when such misconduct could have gained public notoriety, through so many years, without their knowledge or discovery of the fact.

It is, certainly, difficult to obtain information of this description from the class of persons from whom, alone it could be obtained, the *esprit de corps* or freemasonry-kind of union among the prison population, forbidding the disclosure to their superiors of anything done (as they express it) "on the cross," which ought to be "kept dark."—But, nevertheless, a vigilant and observant public officer—and no other ought to hold the situation of Superintendent of convicts—must be very confiding and unsuspecting in his nature and disposition, indeed, if with ordinary attention to the duties of his office, such mal-practices could be carried on successfully, for a series of years, without ever exciting his curiosity to investigate the possibility of their occurrence, or taking the necessary preventive steps, to ward off the disgrace that has attached to his department upon their account.

Captain M'Lean, however, can no longer pretend ignorance of the fact of the existence of this irregularity,—when we lay the following well-authenticated case, which we copy from a cotemporary, before him.— "A man named William Henry Cadwell, residing at Newtown, has complained to us of the treatment which he has received at the Superintendent of Convicts' Office, when applying for his wife's certificate of freedom, to which she was entitled on the 28th of last month. Cadwell says that he has called four times, and been put off with various excuses, and that at last some person told him that he could get it for him for fifteen shillings. As Cadwell states he is willing to prove his statement, we insert his communication in "order that it may come under the notice of Captain M'Lean, who will doubtless feel himself called upon to enquire into the matter."

A striking illustration of the feeling, which we have designated *esprit de corps*, among this class of persons is here visible; for it will be observed that, Cadwell, although irritated at the scandalous imposition attempted to be practised on him by the unprincipled scoundrel of whom he complains, yet artfully conceals his name or description, evidently to shield him from punishment.

We do not call upon Captain M'Lean to enquire into this solitary instance of fraud, but we go to the fountain head at once, and call upon the Governor, in the name of the people, to institute a searching investigation into the serious and disgraceful charges herein made against the subordinates of the Hyde Park Barrack's department, and to cleanse from the abomination and filth of years, that sink of iniquity and moral corruption!

On the day, following that on which we received the letter, we did ourselves the honour of waiting upon the Colonial Secretary, for the purpose of ascertaining the precise meaning and spirit of the communication with which we had been favoured, and of explaining to that respectable functionary the motives and tendency of the above article, with which he expressed himself quite satisfied. But, it appears, that His Excellency the Governor, being in profound ignorance of the "mal-practices," alluded to, until we called upon him to investigate them, was so shocked and incensed at the possibility of their occurrence, that he left peremptory instructions to write to us for proof, and, immediately thereafter, to appoint a Board of Investigation at Hyde Park Barracks, to investigate

the circumstances; when, should we succeed, by oral testimony, to establish such facts of public notoriety as we have felt it our duty to expose, a thorough cleansing of the "Augean Stable," will be the satisfactory and triumphant result of our labours in the public cause. But, on the other hand, if we fail to establish our case, we are threatened, with such "proceedings as will (at least) vindicate the honour of the department."

We will not stop to enquire how far the "honour"—if any belongs to a convict penitentiary—of the Hyde Park Barrack Department might be affected by the strictures of the Press upon the worst delinquency of the lowest and most degraded of its unhappy inmates; nor how far Captain M'Lean or the Governor ought to feel offended at our bringing to light, in the discharge of our public duty, practices, for the suppression and discountenance of which, they are alone responsible.

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary assured us, that His Excellency felt no resentment except against the perpetrators of the infamous impositions we have had the temerity to expose. On the contrary, that His Excellency will feel much obliged to us if we succeed in proving their existence, in order that the parties, whoever they may be, who have been in any way implicated, may be dismissed and disgraced—but (and here comes the sword of Damascus, suspended by a single hair above our devoted necks,) should we fail—God help us! an action for libel will be the unavoidable consequence.

It will be observed, that the case of Cadwell was extracted from the *Herald* of Thursday, the 23rd ultimo, yet, strange to say, the proprietors of that journal have not been so specially favoured as we have been. They have received no challenge from the Government about the statement which originated with them; but we, poor miserable copyists, are to be visited with all the weight of official displeasure, unless we prove what is so notorious that it is the "mockery of Hell" to ask for proof!

Why, we would ask, should we be called on to prove it? It is sufficient for us to discharge our duty to the public and to the Queen, as faithful, loyal subjects, by pointing out the necessity for investigation, and calling upon Her Majesty's Representative here to institute it. He has all the necessary machinery at his command to produce proof and carry on the investigation, if it be desirable so to do—and why does he not? What have we to do with it?

We have fearlessly, faithfully, and conscientiously performed our duty to the public, and we hope Sir George Gipps will not shrink from the performance of his, by throwing the *onus probandi* on our shoulders.

We have not the slightest objection to co-operate with Sir George in the investigation. We will furnish him with all the evidence we know of at present namely, Cadwell, the *Herald's* communicant, the proprietors of the *Herald*, and ourselves. We also take this opportunity of inviting any person who may have been the victim of imposition, when applying for information or indulgences of any kind at Hyde Park Barracks, to come manfully forward to assist us in the righteous cause in which we are engaged on behalf of the Public, and avert from us the calamity with which we are threatened by Her Majesty's Government, for daring to be honest and speaking the truth!

As we know there are numbers of emancipists and others, resident in Sydney, who can bear testimony to the truth of the statements made in our article on Hyde Park Barracks, and who have, themselves, been the dupes of such fraudulent practices, we earnestly entreat them to lose no time in leaving their names and addresses at this office, in order that we may lose no time in replying to the Colonial Secretary's letter, and thus facilitate the speedy appointment of the "Board," and ultimate purification of the "Augean stable!"

Again; we trust that no motives of false delicacy will deter parties from coming forward to support us with their testimony in such a case as the present, otherwise—should proceedings be instituted against us by so formidable an opponent as the local Government for the fearless exposure of public abuses—corruption, and infamy will stalk abroad by the noonday sun, under the fostering safeguard of official rank and influence with perfect impunity! No public writer will dare to exercise his vocation with that manly spirit and independence which characterise and dignify the Fourth Estate of Great Britain, and the propagation of such gloriously-constitutional maxims as the following (with which we must conclude) will be denounced by men in power, as scandalous, infamous, and damnable!

"Let it be impressed upon your minds; let it be instilled into your children, that the Liberty of the Press is the Palladium of all your Civil, Political and Religious Rights."

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