

Mandarin who does not hold plenary powers from his Sovereign. He is also to insist on a British Envoy being allowed to reside at Peking, and hold direct communication with the Emperor. All the principal ports to be thrown open to foreign trade, and at each of them, ground sufficient in extent for the erection of factories to be ceded to the English. Hong Kong is to be retained by the British as a permanent settlement.

PROCLAMATION FOR KILLING THE ENGLISH.

The high Imperial Commissioners Yibshan, Lungwan and Yangtang issue the following general orders, to make known the scale of rewards that are to be granted:—

In extraordinary times, the state reserves rewards to be bestowed upon worthy heroes, for their eminent merits in order to distinguish the successful individuals under difficulties.

The rebellious English have since last year, from the time they created disturbances at Ting-hae and subsequently, defied heaven and outraged reason. Trusting to their numbers, they have been extremely encroaching, and attacked and conquered our frontier districts. They have wantonly, with unsparing hand, committed plunder, dug up the mouldering bones in the graves, and destroyed the rural cottages of the people; so that the fat (of the inhabitants) is wholly consumed, whilst they are stayed, and their very marrow is sucked. Amongst a thousand houses the voices of the cock and dog is scarcely heard. Chastity has been put to defiance, woman have been dishonoured, and children of three could high have not escaped (this fate.)

At Canton they have again pretended to ask for peace, and availing themselves of our unprepared state, seduced both friends and foes to prove traitors within and without; they have both stood forward, and then, ratlike, receded; they have been spying about to cause misery and injury to the people. Those who are far and near detest them, and those within and without gnash their teeth at them. We the generals have received orders purposely to attack them, and lead forward our soldiers to slaughter, going beyond the frontier to rescue the people from fire and water, and as devouring conquerors, to catch this rebellious race, to make food of their flesh, and use their skins for sleeping (mattresses.)

We therefore early strengthen the courage of the multitude, that they may stick to their backs, and take them by the horns (like buffaloes.) We very much hope that you will be of one mind. The civilians and military officers, as well as the gentry, army and people of Kwangtung have generally been famous for their adherence to a just cause, and always been conversant with rectitude. Your hills and seas are the abode of the heroic no ordinary but exquisite material. At this time the tempest which will be hurled upon the English has gathered, and comprehensive plans have been matured. You ought all to be grateful for the saving care which the sacred Lord takes of you. Incomparable will be the merits reaped when heaven visits them. Your fortune in the neighbouring villages will be made, your merits will be inscribed on bamboo and silk, and a pendant seal attached to the patents. Superior men invite the most intelligent among you. Plenty and felicity will alternately visit you, and the lower orders will enjoy the blessings of peace. We the generals abide by our oaths as to water, we keep a hold upon the law as if it were a mountain; when we issue orders we act up to them, and shall not postpone the rewards. We, therefore, issue again our injunctions, and distinctly draw up a scale of rewards, to repay the n for the calamity in which you are involved, and revenge those that have sacrificed their lives. If we in the morning report your merits to the Emperor, they will in the evening be announced (to the people in general;) take a warning and do not again the same thing what took place at Chusan (when the soldiers and people fled.) Thus will be as firm as a rock in the pearly sea (the waters of Canton.) Let each obey this implicitly, do not slight it. A special proclamation.

BIRTH—At Barnston, near Stanstead, L. C., on Wednesday, 3rd Nov. Mrs. Aaron Workman, of a son.

DIED—In this city, on Monday the 15th inst., after a protracted illness, which he bore with Christian fortitude and pious resignation, Mr. Richard Hall, near, aged 64 years.

POETRY.

From the Athenaeum.

THE JEWISH PILGRIM.

Are these the ancient holy hills
Where angels walked of old?
Is this the land our story fills
With glory not yet told?
For I have passed by many a shrine
O'er many a land and sea,
But still, oh! promise Palestine
My dreams have been of thee.

I see thy mountain cedars green,
Thy valleys fresh and fair,
With a banner bright as they have been
When Israel's was there;
Thou' o'er thee sword and time have past,
And Cross and Crescent shone,
And heavily the chain hath prest,
Yet thou art still our own!

Thine are the wandering race that go,
Unblessed though every land,
Whose blood hath stained the polar snow,
And quenched the desert sand;
And thine the homeless hearts that turn
From all earth's shrines to thee,
With their lone faith for ages borne
In sleepless memory.

For thrones are fallen, and nations gone,
Before the march of time,
And where the ocean rolled alone
Are forests in their prime,
Since gentle ploughshares marred the bow
Of Zion's holy hill,
Where are the Roman eagles now?
Yet Judah wanders still.

And hath she wandered thus in vain
A pilgrim of the past?
No! long deferred her hope hath been,
But it shall come at last;
For in her wastes a voice I hear,
As from some prophet's urn,
It bids the nations build not there,
For Jacob shall return.

Oh! lost and loved Jerusalem,
Thy pilgrim may not stay,
To see the glad earth's harvests come
In thy redeeming day;
But now resigned in faith and trust,
I seek a nameless tomb,
At least beneath thy hallowed dust
O give the wanderer room.

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