

with the like rate of postage to which it would have been liable as a letter.

9. And we further direct, that this Warrant, so far as respects any packets which shall be transmitted by the post from Ceylon, the Mauritius, the East Indies, and New South Wales, to the United Kingdom, under the said respective Warrants of the sixth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, the sixth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, the twenty-fourth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and the ninth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, shall come into operation on the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and that in all other respects this Warrant shall come into operation on the day of the date hereof.

10. And we further order and direct, that the term "East Indies," used in the fourth and ninth clauses of this Warrant, shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as the same is declared to have in the said recited Warrant of the twenty-fourth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three; and that the term "East Indies," used in the fifth clause of this Warrant, and the several other terms and expressions used in this Warrant, shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as they would have had if inserted in the said Act, passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

11. Provided lastly, and we do hereby declare and direct, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any two of them, by Warrant under their hands, at any time hereafter, to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby fixed or altered, or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, the fifth day of November, 1853.

*Elcho.*  
*W. E. Gladstone.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that in pursuance of the Act of Parliament 7th and 8th William 4th, and 1st Victoria, chapter 73, intituled "An Act for better enabling Her Majesty to confer certain powers and immunities on trading and other Companies," an application has been made to Her Majesty, to grant a Charter of Incorporation

to "The Magdalena Steam Navigation Company," to be incorporated for the purposes, firstly, of establishing an efficient system of steam vessels, for the navigation of the rivers Magdalena and Atrato, in South America, and their tributaries and waters adjacent; secondly, of improving, perfecting and establishing the water communication between the river Magdalena and the Ocean; thirdly, of improving and perfecting the land communication between the said river and the city of Bogota, or any other principal towns near the said river (the adoption of the two last-mentioned undertakings to be optional only); with liberty, fourthly, to acquire and work coal mines, in South America, for the purposes of the Company; and, fifthly, to extend the steam operations of the Company to other South American waters, or to ocean traffic, if the same should appear advantageous, and be resolved upon by a general meeting of the Company; and that such application has been referred by Her Majesty to the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 1853.

*Maples, Maples, and Pearce,* Solicitors, 6, Frederick's-place, Old Jewry.

#### THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the British Possessions in AMERICA, Computed from the RETURNS made in the Week ending the 8th day of November, 1853.

*Is Twenty-two Shillings and Ten Pence per Hundred Weight;*

Exclusive of the Duties of Customs paid or payable thereon on the IMPORTATION thereof into GREAT BRITAIN;

#### THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the MAURITIUS, Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty,

*Is Twenty-two Shillings and Eleven Pence per Hundred Weight;*

No Return has been made of the sale of BROWN or MUSCOVADO SUGAR, the Produce of the EAST INDIES, in the Week ending as above.

The AVERAGE PRICE of the two foregoing Descriptions of SUGAR, jointly,

Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty,

*Is Twenty-two Shillings and Ten Pence per Hundred Weight.*

*By Authority of Parliament,*

HENRY BICKNELL,  
*Clerk of the Grocers' Company.*

*Grocers'-Hall, November 11, 1853.*

RETURN of the Aggregate Average Amount of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the BANK of AUSTRALASIA, as well in England as in the Australasian Colonies, from the 12th day of April, 1852, to the 11th day of October, 1852.

(Published pursuant to the Royal Charter of Incorporation.)

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Bills in Circulation, not bearing Interest ... ..	149,075	15	6	Coin and Bullion ... ..	731,304	18	11
Notes in Circulation, not bearing Interest ... ..	516,397	18	5	Landed Property of the Corporation ... ..	32,570	14	3
Bills and Notes in Circulation, bearing Interest ... ..	—	—	—	Bills of other Banks ... ..	—	—	—
Balances due to other Banks ... ..	—	—	—	Balances due from other Banks ... ..	—	—	—
Cash deposited, not bearing Interest	1,665,903	8	10	Debts due to the Corporation, including Notes, Bills, and Government Securities ... ..	2,064,499	4	10
Cash deposited, bearing Interest	—	—	—				
<b>Total Liabilities of the Corporation</b>	<b>£2,331,377</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Total Assets of the Corporation</b>	<b>£2,828,374</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>

*Wm. Milliken, Secretary.*  
London, November 10, 1853.

*T. W. Henderson, Chairman.*