

extent of such police court divisions, and to assign a division to each of the police courts already established, and to establish a police court for each of the other divisions;" Her Majesty is pleased, with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order and direct, and it is hereby ordered and directed, that the police court now established in Wapping, and known by the name of "Thames Police Court," shall, from and after the twenty-first day of December instant, be removed therefrom to a certain building lately erected in Arbour-square, in the hamlet of Mile-end Old-town, in the parish of Saint Dunstan, Stepney, and within the metropolitan police district, and shall be thenceforth there holden by the name of "Thames Police Court, Stepney," and that the space included within the following boundary, that is to say, from the river Thames, at the eastern entrance of the London-docks, in a line running along the north side of the said entrance to Fox's-lane; thence northward along the centre thereof to High-street, Shadwell; thence westward along the centre thereof, and of Ratcliff-highway, to Cannon-street; thence northward along the centre of Cannon-street, Cannon-street-road, and the New-road, to the Whitechapel-road; thence eastward along the centre of the said road, and of Mile-end-road, to Grove-road; thence northward along the centre thereof to the Eastern Counties Railway; thence eastward along the northern line of the said railway to the river Lea; thence southward along the said last-mentioned river to the river Thames; and thence westward along the boundary of the said river Thames to the said eastern entrance of the London Docks aforesaid; shall constitute a police court division, and be assigned to the police court to be called "Thames Police Court, Stepney," as hereinbefore mentioned :

And Her Majesty is further pleased, with the advice aforesaid, to order, and it is hereby ordered accordingly, that the space within the boundary line hereinafter named, that is to say, a line running northward from the said river Thames, at Hermitage-dock, along Nightingale-lane, to East Smithfield; thence eastward, along the centre of East Smithfield, Parson's-street, Ratcliff-highway, and High-street, Shadwell, to Fox's-lane; thence southward, along the centre of the said lane, to the river Thames, at the eastern entrance of the London-docks aforesaid; and thence west-

ward, along the line of the said river to Hermitage-dock aforesaid; shall be added to, and form part of, the division attached to the police court called "Lambeth-street Police Court:"

And the Right Honourable Sir James Graham, Bart. one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. C. Greyille.

Admiralty, December 12, 1842.

THE following missing despatch, from Vice-Admiral Sir William Parker, addressed to the Secretary of the Admiralty, has now been received:

Cornwallis, at Chapoo,
23d May 1842.

SIR,

MY letter of the 11th instant, No. 84, will have apprised the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty of the evacuation of the city of Ningpo on the 7th, and that the troops were embarked in the transports off the island of Just-in-the-Way, with the intention of commencing the prospective operations of the combined forces by an attack on Chapoo, where it was ascertained that a large Chinese force, and a considerable store of arms and provisions, had been for some weeks collecting.

The fleet reached an anchorage between the Seshan and Fog islands on the evening of the 13th of May; but the unfavourable state of the weather, and the velocity of the tides during the springs within the entrance of Hang-choo-foo bay, did not admit of any further movement until the 16th, when a very satisfactory reconnoissance was made of the defences of Chapoo in the Phlegethon and Nemesis steam vessels; and on the following afternoon the ships of war, named in the margin,* and the transports were all anchored in Chapoo bay, in convenient positions for the disembarkation of the troops, which commenced at daylight on the 18th, in a sandy bay, within two miles of the city, and at the eastern termination of a range of heights which flanked the field works and strong positions held by the Chinese outside it.

Commanders Kellett and Collinson, who have been indefatigable in surveying every part we have had to navigate, succeeded during the night in thoroughly sounding between the anchorage of the ships and the shore, which enabled the Cornwallis,

* Cornwallis, 72 guns, Captain P. Richards; Blonde, 44 guns, Captain S. Bouchier, C.B.; Modeste, 18 guns, Commander R. B. Watson; Columbine, 16 guns, Commander W. H. A. Morshead; Bentinck, 10 guns, Commander Richard Collinson; Starling, 4 guns, Commander Henry Kellett; Algerine, 10 guns, Lieutenant W. H. Maitland; Jupiter, troop ship, G. B. Hoffmeister, Master.—Steam Vessels—Sesostris, 4 guns, Commander H. A. Ormsby, Indian Navy; Queen, 4 guns, Mr. W. Warden, Acting Master, R.N.; Phlegethon, 2 guns, Lieut. J. J. McCleverty, R.N.; Nemesis, 2 guns, Lieutenant W. H. Hall, R.N.