No. 123 - " Mandarin " - Barque

Details of Ship:-

Built: May 1849

Type: Barque (also listed as square-rigged)

Tonnage: 344 (Lloyd's Reg. says 315 tons)

Dimensions: Length: 116.5 ft., beam: 24.7 ft., Depth of hold: 16.2 ft.

Re-measured: to 333t Shipping Act 1854, 315t Lloyds register 1855, 333t MNL 1859.

Hull Details: Felt & Yellow Metal – 1857. Insured for 2,300 pounds. One

deck + a quarter, square stern, carvel built, male figurehead. 3 masts.

Builder: William MUMFORD (Mu05). Scilly. 12 yrs. A1.

Owners: 1. 1849 - 1860, James Tregarthen (Tr03) & Co.

2. 9.5.1861 (Entered on register) Henry Alfred Coffey of Melbourne,

Shipbroker, 64 shares.

3. 16.4.1861 (sold for £2,200) George Sinclair of Melbourne, Master

Mariner, 64 shares (George Sinclair died 10.6.1862, widow - Eliza

Sinclair, 64 shares)

4. 23.2.1864 - 1866, Sold at Victoria to Henry Robert Fuller for £2,500

Captains: 1849, 1850, James Tregarthen (Tr03). 1849, W. Phillips.

1850, 1851 George James Pippin (Pipon).

24.5.1854, George Symons.

28.3.1861, 29.6.1861, George Sinclair.

1851 - 1863, J. Tregarthen.

Captain Angus Hammond. Colser.

20.6.1862, Drysdale

14.12.1864, W.R. Stephenson

Trade: Foreign. (1850, Scilly to Liverpool). Australia, Cape of Good Hope 1863,

California. Reported in South Australia 7 Jul 1859 and 25 Nov 1859 from Mauritius, Shanghai, Singapore, Sydney, Newcastle (N.S.W.), Adelaide, Victoria, Hobson's Bay, Liverpool, Scilly, Falmouth, Iquique, Hamburg, Cardiff, Simon's Bay, Balaclava, Greenock (Clyde), San Francisco, Deal,

Callao, Leith, Cork, Philadelphia, Anjer

Cargos: Trading from Newcastle to Melbourne with coal (500 tons), Wheat & Flour

(625 bags and 450 bags in one cargo)

Registered: January 1849, 1850, Scilly. 1861, Melbourne. 1864, Port Adelaide, Australia

[reg. no. 1864]

Signal: JNRV Official No.: 6419

Demise: Mandarin. Barque. Disappeared without trace in a gale, Bass Strait,

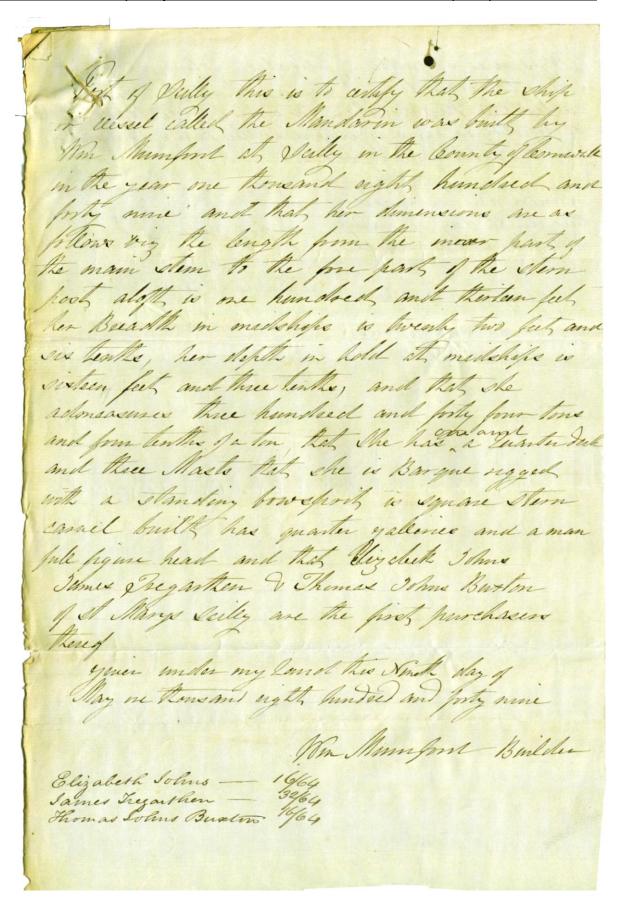
03/1866. [LV], while on passage from Melbourne to Newcastle [NSW]

with general cargo.

Details: The barque "Mandarin" disappeared off Wilson Promontory during a

severe gale. Wreckage thought to be from the vessel was found at a number of locations around the Promontory. The captain and the crew of eleven lost their lives. Believed to have wrecked on the Glennie Islands,

Australia. (RWB Note: see report 7.4.1866 below)



The Sames Ingarthen, Elizabeth Johns an Johns Bucton do truly declare that the version called the "Mandarin" for which a certifical of Registry is now required is the same as ment. In the within Certificate

Signed and declared fines degarther this minth day of may 1849 in the plesence Thomas Johns Button

The MMSHess Thomas Johns Button

Transcript:

Port of Scilly This is to certify that the ship or vessel called Mandarin was built by **Wm Mumford** (**Mu05**) at Scilly in the County of Cornwall in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty nine and that her dimensions are as follows viz. The length from the inner part of the main stem to the fore part of the stern post aloft is one hundred and thirteen feet, her Breadth in midships is twenty two feet and six tenths, her depth in hold at midships is sixteen feet and three tenths, and that she admeasures three hundred and forty four tons and four tenths of a ton, that she has one and a quarter deck and three Masts that she is Barque rigged with a standing bowsprit, is square stern carvel built has quarter galleries and a man full figure head and that Elizabeth Johns, **James Tregarthen** (**Tr03**) & Thomas Johns Buxton of St. Mary's Scilly are the first purchasers thereof

Given under my hand this Ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and forty nine

Wm Mumford (Mu05) Builder Elizabeth Johns ------ 16/64
James Tregarthen (Tr03) ----- 32/64
Thomas Johns Buxton ------ 16/64

Reverse side:

We James Tregarthen (Tr03), Elizabeth Johns, and Thomas Johns Buxton do truly declare that the vessel called the "Mandarin" for which a certificate of Registry is now required is the same as mentioned in the within Certificate

Signed and declared James Tregarthen (Tr03) [signed]
This ninth day of May Elizabeth Johns [signed]
1849 the presence of Thomas Johns Buxton [signed]
A.N. Holmes (?) Collr. [signed]

Surveyor's Certificate of Admeasurement.

For Vessels under the Act of 5 & 6 Wm. IV. C. 56.

Port of Scilly

No. 1.

This is to Certify that the Ship or Vessel called the

"Mandarin"

of

Scilly

Burthen *Three Hundred & Forty Four & 4/10th*.

Tons, whereof James Tregarthen is at present Master,

is *British* built, has *one* & a quarter deck s and three Masts;

that her length from the inner part of the main Stem to the fore part of the

Stern Post aloft is *One Hundred & thirteen* feet tenths,

her breadth in Midships is Twenty two

feet six tenths; her depth in hold at Midships is sixteen

feet *three* tenths; that she is *Square* rigged with

a standing Bowsprit, is square sterned Carvel

built, has quarter Galleries, a man figure Head, and

appears to be the same Vessel described in the *Certificate of William Mumford (Mu05)*

the Builder dated 9th. May 1849

Given under my Hand at the Custom-House, this 14th. day of *May* in the year 1849

Wm. Nance [signed] Actg. Tide Surveyor

I do hereby on the Part of the Owners of the "Mandarin" being thereto duly authorized by them consent, and agree to the several particulars set forth in the above description and admeasurement.

James Tregarthen (Tr03) [signed]

United Kingdom. - No. 249 - Tide Surveyor's Certificate of Admeasurement

(New Act.)

KNOW all Men by these Presents, That we James Tregarthen
Master Mariner, and Thomas Johns Buxton
Merchant both residing at St. Mary's one of the
Islands of Scilly in the County of Cornwall

Owners of the Ship or Vessel called "Mandarin"

the before named James Tregarthen (Tr03) being Master of the said

Ship, are held and firmly bound unto our Sovereign

Lady VICTORIA, by the Grace of God,

of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland

Queen, Defender of the Faith, in the Sum of

One Thousand

Pounds of good and lawful Money of Great Britain, to be paid to our said Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors: To which Payment, well and truly to be made, We bind Ourselves, and each and every of Us, jointly and severally, for and in the Whole, our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, and every of them, firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our Seals. Dated this *fifteenth* Day of *May* in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and *forty nine*.

WHEREAS James Tregarthen (Tr03) and others

Owners of the said Ship or Vessel called the "Mandarin" of the Burthen of Three hundred & forty four 4/10 Tons have applied for a Certificate of Registry for the said Ship or Vessel, under the Act of the Third and Fourth of William the Fourth, Chapter fifty-six, and have complied with the requisites of the said Act:

Now the Condition of the above-written Obligation is such, that if the Certificate, to be granted in pursuance of the said Act, shall not be sold, lent, or otherwise disposed of to any person or persons whatever, and if the same shall be solely made use of for the service of the Ship or Vessel for which it is granted; and in case such Ship or Vessel be lost or taken by the enemy, burnt or broken up, or otherwise prevented from returning to the Port to which she belongs, or shall on any account, have lost and forfeited the privileges of a British Ship, or shall have been seized and legally condemned for illicit trading, or shall have been taken in Execution for debt, and sold by due process of Law, or shall have been sold to the Crown, or shall, under any circumstances, have been registered *de novo*, if the said Certificate, (if preserved) shall be delivered up, within one Month after arrival of the Master in any Port or Place in Her Majesty's dominions, to the Collector or Comptroller of some Port in Great Britain, or of the Isle of Man, or of the British Plantations, or to the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of the Islands of Guernsey or Jersey: And if any Foreigner, or any person or persons for his use and benefit, shall purchase or otherwise become entitled to the whole, or any part or share of, or any interest in such Ship or Vessel, and the same shall be within the limits of any Port of Great Britain, Guernsey, Jersey, Man or the British Colonies, Plantations, Islands, or Territories aforesaid; then, and in such case, if the said Certificate of Registry shall, within seven days after such purchase or transfer of property in such Ship or Vessel, be delivered up to the person or persons authorised to make Registry and grant Certificate thereof, at such Port or Place respectively as aforesaid; and if such Ship or Vessel shall be in any Foreign Port when such purchase or transfer of interest or property shall take place, then if the same be delivered up to the British Consul, or other chief British Officer resident at or nearest to such Foreign Port: or if such Ship or Vessel be at sea when such purchase or transfer of interest or property shall take place, then if the same be delivered up to the British Consul or other chief British Officer at the Foreign Port or Place in or at which the Master or other Person having or taking the charge or command of such Ship or Vessel shall first arrive after such purchase or transfer of property at sea, immediately after his arrival at such Foreign Port: but if such Master, or other Person who had the command thereof, at the time of such purchase or transfer of property

at sea, shall not arrive at a Foreign Port, but shall arrive at some Port of Great Britain, Guernsey, Jersey, Man or Her Majesty's said Colonies, Plantations, Islands, or Territories, then if the same shall be delivered up, in manner aforesaid, within Fourteen Days after the arrival of such Ship or Vessel, or of the said person who had the command thereof, in any Port of Great Britain, Guernsey, Jersey, Man, or any of Her Majesty's said Colonies, Plantations, Islands, or Territories: Then this Obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

Signed, sealed and delivered (being first James Tregarthen (Tr03) [signed] [seal] duly stamped) in the presence of Thomas Johns Buxton [signed] [seal]

WH Holmes (?) [signed]

Wm. Nance [signed] Act. Compt.

United Kingdom, No. 198. - Bond to be given at the Time of Registry by the Master and Owner

15.5.1849, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Registry Declaration for "Mandarin" .:-

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We James Tregarthen (Tr03), Master Mariner, and
Thomas Johns Buxton, Merchant and residing at St. Mary's one of
the Islands of Scilly, in the County of Cornwall
                                     "Mandarin"
do truly declare that the Ship or Vessel
of Scilly
                     whereof
                                   James Tregarthen(Tr03)
is at present Master, being of the burthen of
 Three Hundred and forty four 4/10th. Tons
is British
                                   One & a Quarter
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                     built, has
Masts; that her length from the inner part of the Main Stem to the fore part of the Stern Post aloft is One hundred and
thirteen
              feet
                            tenths, her breadth in Midships is
                                                                Twenty two
              feet Six
                            tenths, her depth in hold at Midships is Sixteen
              feet three
                            tenths, that she is Square rigged with a Standing
Bowsprit; is Square sterned Carvel built; has quarter Galleries, a Man
figure Head, was built at St. Mary's one of the Islands of Scilly
in the County of Cornwall in the year one thousand
eight hundred and forty nine, as appears by a Certificate
under the hand of William Mumford (Mu05) the Builder
dated the 9<sup>th</sup>. day of May 1849
                                James Tregarthen (Tr03) and Thomas Johns
and that
              we
                     the said
Buxton, together with Elizabeth Johns of
St. Mary's Scilly, in the County aforesaid, Spinster,
are
sole Owners of the said Vessel, and that no other Person or Persons whatever hath or have any Right, Title,
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Interest, Share or Property therein, or thereto; and that we the said James Tregarthen (Tr03) and

Thomas Johns Buxton, and also the other owner are

truly and bona fide Subjects of Great Britain, and that *we* the said *James Tregarthen (Tr03) and Thomas Johns Buxton*

nor has the other owner to the best of our knowledge and belief

Have not taken the Oath of Allegiance to any Foreign State whatever and that no Foreigner, directly or indirectly, hath any Share or Part Interest in the said Ship or Vessel.

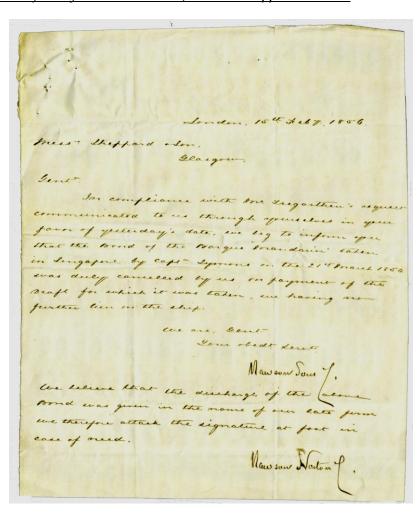
James Tregarthen (Tr03) [signed]

Signed and Declared before Us, at the Custom House $Thomas\ Johns\ Buxton$ [signed] On the Port of Scilly this 15^{th} . day of $May\ 1849$

A. N. Holmes (?) Coll. Un-readable Actg. Compt.

[Registry Declaration].

15.2.1856, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, letter to Sheppard & Son.:-



Transcript:

London, 15th. Feby. 1856

Messrs. Sheppard & Son, Glasgow.

Gentm.

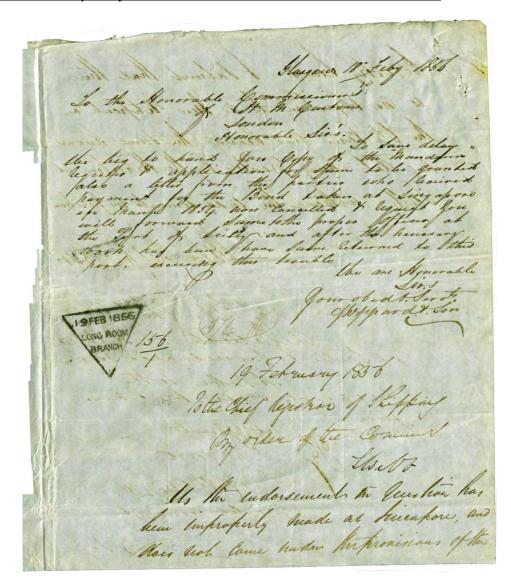
In compliance with Jms. Tregarthen's (Tr03) request communicated to us through yourselves in your favour of yesterday's date, we beg to inform you that the Bond of the Barque "Mandarin" taken in Singapore bt Capt. Symons on the 21st. March 1854 was duly cancelled by us on payment of the Draft for which it was taken, we having no further lien on the ship.

We are Gentm. Your obedt. Servt. Mawson Sons (?)

We believe that the discharge of the above Bond was given in the name of our rate firm we therefore attach the signature at foot in case of need.

Mawsons Norton

18.2.1856, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, letter to H.M. Customs, London.:-



Transcript:

Glasgow 18th. Feby. 1856

To the Honorable (sic) Commissioners Of H. M. Customs London

Honorable Sirs.

To save delay we beg to hand your reply of the "Mandarin" Registrar & application for same to be granted also a letter from the parties who received payment for the Bond taken at Singapore in March 1854. Now cancelled & request you will forward same to the proper officer at the Port of Scilly and after the necessary work has been have same returned to this port, excusing this trouble.

We are Honorable Sirs Your obdt. Servt. ? Sheppard & Son

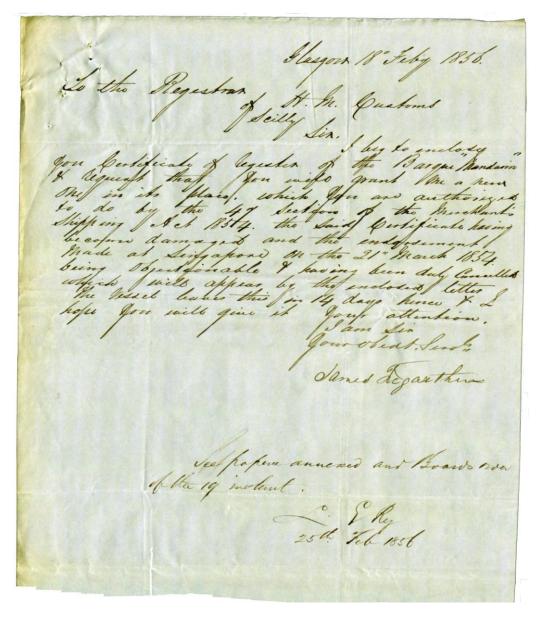
19 February 1856
To the Chief Registrar of Shipping
By order of the Commiss.
L. Webb [signed]

As the endorsement in question has been improperly made at Singapore, and does not come under the pronisious of the Registry Laws. I entrust that there is no objection to a new Certificate on the old form and bearing the same terms and date being Granted by the Registrar at Scilly without the under????? to ?????

Feby. 19th. 1856 [signed] Chief Reg. of Shipping

19th. Feb. 1856 Collector & Comptroller at Scilly to proceed accordingly A letter to the Applicant states the orders given whichy land. I bahwit that there Form and hearing the fame hower

18.2.1856, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, letter from James Tregarthen to H.M. Customs, Scilly .:-



Glasgow 18th. Feby. 1856

To the Registrar of H.M. Customs Scilly

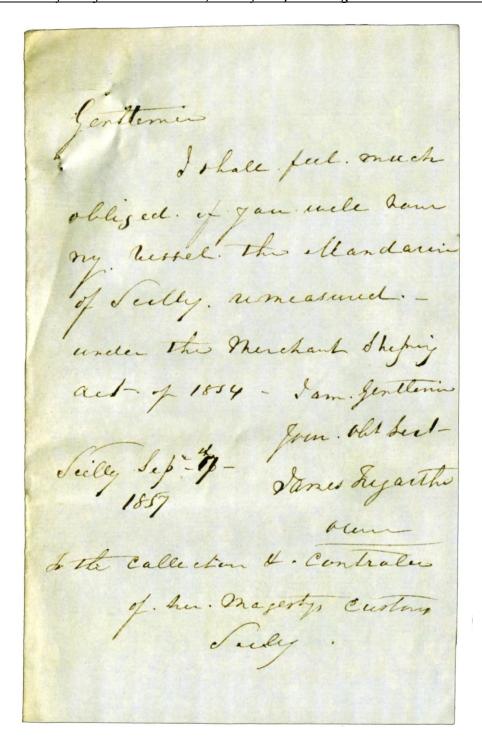
Sir,

I beg to enclose you Certificate of Register of the Barque "Mandarin" & request that you will grant me a new one in its place, which you are authorised to do by the 47 section of the Merchants Shipping Act 1854, the said Certificate having become damaged and the endorsement made at Singapore on the 21st. March 1854 being objectionable & having been duly cancelled which will appear by the enclosed letter the vessel leaves this in 14 days hence & I hope you will give it your attention.

I am Sir Your Obdt. Servt. James Tregarthen (Tr03)

See papers annexed our Boards order of the 19th instant Signed 25th Feb. 1854

7.9.1857, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Letter from James Tregarthen to H.M. Customs.:-



Transcription:-

Gentlemen

I shall feel much obliged if you will have my vessel the Mandarin of Scilly, remeasured (sic), under the Merchant Shiping (sic) act of 1854

I am Gentlemen Your obt Serv.

Scilly Sept. 7th. 1857

James Tregarthen (Tr03)

To the Collector & Controler (sic) Of her Majestys Customs Scilly

20.9.1857, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Re-measurement of Mandarin.:-

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28.9.1857, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Certificate of Survey .:-

Form No. 1. Offl' No 6419 Sections Five @ 7/6 £1 . 17 . 6

SAILING SHIP.

Certificate of Survey.

Name of Ship: Mandarin

British or Foreign built: British, Built at St. Mary's Scilly in the County of Cornwall

In the Year 1849as per Builders Certificate date the 9th. May 1849

Port of intended Registry:

Number of Decks:

Number of Masts:

Rigged:

Stern:

Build:

Galleries:

Scilly

One & Qr.

Three

Rarque

Square

None

Head: Man Figurehead

Framework: Wood

MEASUREMENTS.

Length from the fore part of Stem under the Bowsprit to the aft side 116 ft. 4.5 tenths

of the head of the stern post

Main breadth to outside plank:

Depth in hold from Tonnage Deck to Ceiling at Midships:

24 ft. 7 tenths

16 ft. 2 tenths

Name and Address of Builder: William Mumford (Mu05) St. Mary's Scilly

TONNAGE.

Tonnage under Tonnage Deck: 316 43/100

Closed in spaces above the Tonnage Deck, if any; viz.:

Space or spaces between Decks:

Poop or Quarter Deck

Round-house: 17 32/100

Other inclosed spaces, if any, naming them ----- "

Total: 333 75/100

I, the undersigned R H Quill (?), Measuring Surveyor for the Port of Scilly

having surveyed the above-named Ship, hereby certify that the above particulars are true; that her Name and the Port of Registry are properly painted on a conspicuous part of her Stern in manner directed by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854. *and that her official Number and Tonnage are Carved on the Main Beam*

Dated at Scilly

the Twenty Eight day of

September R.H. Quill [signed]

1857 *Measuring* Surveyor.

Registry altered agreeably to the above & Formula this 28 Sept. 1857 AR (Ri01) Registrar

1.5.1860, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Declaration of Joint Ownership .:-

Form No. 5. Resident or Non-resident Natural-born Subject.

SAILING SHIP Owner or Transferee

Declaration by Joint Owners or Transferees attending Together.

Official Number of Ship: 6419

Date of Registry: 15 May 1849
Name of Ship: Manderin

British or Foreign built: British. Built at Saint Mary's Scilly in the County of Cornwall

on the 9th. day of May 1849

Port of Registry: Scilly
How propelled: By Sails

Number of Decks: One and a quarter

Number of Masts: Three
Rigged: Barque
Stern: Square
Build: Carvel
Galleries: None
Head: a man figure
Framework: Wood

MEASUREMENTS:

Length from the fore part of Stem under the Bowsprit to the aft side of the head of the 116 ft. 4.5 tenth

Stern post.

Main breadth to outside plank

24 ft. 7 tenth

Depth in hold from Tonnage Deck to Ceiling Midships

16 ft. 2 tenth

TONNAGE:

Tonnage under Tonnage Deck 316 43/100

Closed in space above the Tonnage Deck, if any; viz.:

Space or spaces between Decks

Poop or quarter deck 17 32/100

Round-house

Other inclosed [sic] spaces, if any, naming them

Total Register Tonnage 333 75/100

DESCRIPTION OF DECLARANTS.

Names: John White Johns
Place of Residence: Crowan, Cornwall

Occupation: Clerk

Place of Birth: St. Mary's Scilly in the County of Cornwall

Names: *John Perry*

Place of Residence: Perranyahulae, Cornwall

Occupation: Clerk

Place of Birth: Churchill near Br???? Somerset

First. -- Each of us, the several persons above mentioned, and whose names are hereunto subscribed, declare as follows:-- I am a natural-born British subject, my name, description, and place of birth as above given are true. I have never taken the Oath of Allegiance to any Foreign State. The above general description of the ship is correct. *James Tregarthen (Tr33) junior* whose Certificate of Competency or Service is No. ------ is the Master of the said ship.

Secondly: -- We, the said several persons above mentioned, respectively declare as follows: -- We are entitled to be registered as Joint Owners of *Sixteen* shares in the said

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ship. To the best of our knowledge and belief, no person or body of persons other than such persons or bodies of persons as are by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, qualified to be Owners of British Ships is entitled, as Owner, to any interest whatever, either legal or beneficial, in the said Ship; and we, sp far as relates to ourselves and each of us, make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Made and subscribed in the *first* day of *May* 1860, by the abovenamed *John White Johns and John Perry* In the presence of

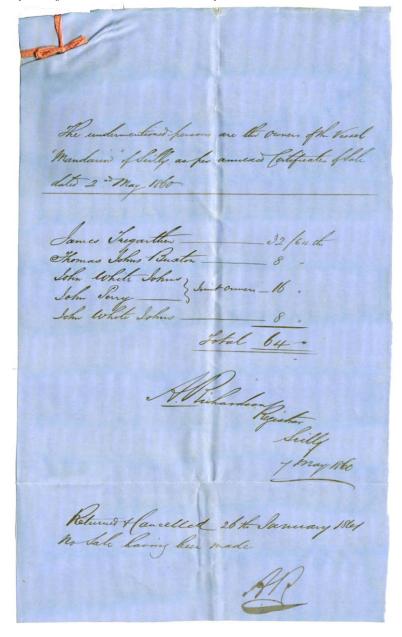
John White Johns [signed]
John Perry [signed]

Thos. Ferris (?) [signed] Registrar Port of Truro

Recorded 11 am 7 May 1860

A.R. Reg. [initialled]

7.5.1860, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Letter from Andrew Richardson (Ri01).:-



Transcript:

The undermentioned persons are the owners of the vessel "Mandarin" of Scilly as per annexed Certificate of Sale Dated 2nd. May 1860

James Tregarthen (Tr03)32/64 th.Thomas Johns Buxton8/64 th.John White Johnsjoint owner16/64 th

John Perry joint owner

John White Johns 8/64 th.

A.Richardson (Ri01) Registrar Scilly

7 May 1860

Returned and cancelled 26th. January 1861 No Sale having been made

AR (Ri01)

2.5.1860, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Certificate of Sale - James Tregarthen & Thomas Buxton.:-

Form No. 17. SAILING SHIP

Certificate of Sale.

Official Number of Ship: 6419

Date of Registry: 15th. May 1849
Name of Ship: Mandarin

British or Foreign built: British. Built at Saint Mary's Scilly in the County of Cornwall

on the 9th. day of May 1849

Port of Registry: Scilly
How propelled: By Sails

Number of Decks: One & a quarter

Number of Masts: Three
Rigged: Barque
Stern: Square
Build: Carvel
Galleries: None
Head: a man figure
Framework: Wood

MEASUREMENTS:

Length from the fore part of Stem under the Bowsprit to the aft side of the head of the 116 ft. 4.5 tenth

Stern post.

Main breadth to outside plank

24 ft. 7 tenth

Depth in hold from Tonnage Deck to Ceiling Midships

16 ft. 2 tenth

TONNAGE:

Tonnage under Tonnage Deck 316.43

Closed in space above the Tonnage Deck, if any; viz.:

Space or spaces between Decks

Poop or Quarter Deck 17.32

Round-house

Other inclosed [sic] spaces, if any, naming them

Total Register Tonnage 333.75

ACCOUNT OF TITLE TO THE ABOVE-MENTIONED SHIP.

Name of Owners: *James Tregarthen (Tr03)* No. of Shares held by each *thirty two - 32* Name of Owners: *Thos. Johns Buxton* No. of Shares held by each *Eight - 8*

part

We the undersigned, being Owner s of the Ship above described, as stated in the foregoing account of title, hereby appoint James Tregarthen (Tr33) junior of Saint Mary's Scilly in the County of Cornwall and Kingdom of England Master Mariner and now in command of the Barque Mandarin our attorney in ..our.... name s and on our behalf to sell the above Ship, and to execute and do all such deeds, matters, and things as may be necessary for carrying into effect the power hereby given. We declare that the Ship shall not be sold for a less sum than Three Thousand pounds

we declare that the Ship may be sold at Melbourne Adelaide Sydney or any other Foreign or Colonial port we declare that the above power shall not be exercised after the expiration of eighteen months from the date hereof.

In witness whereof *we* have hereunto subscribed *our* name *s* and affixed *our* seal *s* this *Second* day of *May* one thousand eight hundred and *Sixty*

James Tregarthen (Tr03)[signed and sealed]Thos. Johns Buxton[signed and sealed]

I *Andrew Richardson (Ri01)*, Registrar of the Port of *Scilly* hereby certify that the above-written particulars relating to the Ship *Mandarin* and to the title of the above-mentioned Owner *s* are correct; and I further certify that the said Owner *s* ha *ve* duly subscribed and affixed *their* signature *s* and seal *s* as above appears.

A Richardson (Ri01) [signed] Registrar.

2.5.1860, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Certificate of Sale - John White Johns & John Perry .:-

Form No. 17. SAILING SHIP

Certificate of Sale.

Official Number of Ship: 6419

Date of Registry: 15th. May 1849
Name of Ship: Mandarin

British or Foreign built: British. Built at Saint Mary's Scilly in the County of Cornwall

on the 9th. day of May 1849

Port of Registry: Scilly
How propelled: By Sails

Number of Decks: One & a quarter

Number of Masts:

Rigged:
Barque
Stern:
Square
Build:
Carvel
Galleries:
None
Head:
Framework:

Wood

MEASUREMENTS:

Eight

- 8

Length from the fore part of Stem under the Bowsprit to the aft side of the head of the 116 ft. 4.5 tenth Stern post. 24 ft. 7 tenth Main breadth to outside plank Depth in hold from Tonnage Deck to Ceiling Midships 16 ft. 2 tenth TONNAGE: 316.43 Tonnage under Tonnage Deck Closed in space above the Tonnage Deck, if any; viz.: Space or spaces between Decks Poop or Quarter Deck 17.32 Round-house Other inclosed [sic] spaces, if any, naming them Total Register Tonnage 333.75 ACCOUNT OF TITLE TO THE ABOVE-MENTIONED SHIP. Name of Owners: *John White Johns* No. of Shares held by each Sixteen - 16 Name of Owners: John Perry *Joint owners*

part

John White Johns

Name of Owners:

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No. of Shares held by each

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In witness whereof *we* have hereunto subscribed *our* name *s* and affixed *our* seal *s* this *second* day of *May* one thousand eight hundred and *Sixty*

Made and subscribed the second day of May

1860 by the above named in the presence
of Thos. Ferris (?)
Registrar Port of Truro

John White Johns [signed and sealed]

John Perry [signed and sealed]

I Thomas Ferris , Registrar of the Port of Truro

hereby certify that the above-written particulars relating to the Ship *Mandarin* and to the title of the above-mentioned Owner *s* are correct; and I further certify that the said Owner *s* ha *ve* duly subscribed and affixed *their* signature *s* and seal *s* as above appears.

Thos Ferris [signed] Registrar.

I certify that the aforegoing particulars relating to the "Mandarin" of this Port are correct

A. Richardson (Ri01)

Registrar Scilly

(RWB Note: £3,000 in today's money (May 2015) is about: £235,000 using retail price index, or £1,960,000 using average earnings)

24.11.1860, Source: Isles of Scilly Museum archives, Declaration of Ownership .:-

Form No. 2. Resident or Non-resident Natural-born Subject.

SAILING SHIP Owner or Transferee

Declaration of Ownership by Individual.

Official Number of Ship: 6419

Date of Registry: 15th. May 1849
Name of Ship: Mandarin

British or Foreign built: British. Built at Scilly in the County of Cornwall in the year

1849

Port of Registry: Scilly
How propelled: By Sails

Number of Decks: One & a quarter

Number of Masts: Three
Rigged: Barque
Stern: Square
Build: Carvel
Galleries: None
Head: man figure
Framework: Wood

MEASUREMENTS:

Length from the fore part of Stem under the Bowsprit to the aft side of the head of the 116 ft. 4.5 tenth

Stern post.

Main breadth to outside plank

24 ft. 7 tenth

Depth in hold from Tonnage Deck to Ceiling Midships

16 ft. 2 tenth

TONNAGE:

Tonnage under Tonnage Deck 316.43

Closed in space above the Tonnage Deck, if any; viz.:

Space or spaces between Decks

Poop or Quarter Deck 17.32

Round-house

Other inclosed [sic] spaces, if any, naming them

Total Register Tonnage 333.75

I, the undersigned Henry Alfred Coffey of Melbourne

In the Colony of Victoria, Ship Broker

declare as follows:- I am a natural-born British subject, born at *Dublin* in the county of *Dublin, Ireland*, and have never taken the Oath of Allegiance to any Foreign State. The above general description of the Ship is correct. *George Sinclaire* whose Certificate of Competency or Service is No.53296, is the Master of the said Ship. I am entitled to be registered as Owner of *Sixty four* shares of the said Ship. To the best of my knowledge and belief, no person or body of persons other than such persons or bodies of persons are by the Merchant Shipping Act 1854, qualified to be Owners of British Ships is entitled, as Owner, to any interest whatever, either legal or beneficial, in the said Ship. And I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Made and subscribed in the Twenty fourth day

of *November* 1860, by the above- H. A. Coffey [signed]

named Henry Alfred Coffey

in the presence of

Robert C. Dunn [signed]

Asst. Reg. Of the Port of Melbourne

Reported 26 January 1861 – 5 p.m. A.R. (Ri01) [initialled] Registrar

1851, Crew List:-

Armory John Thomas

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 21 Ticket No: 326850 Seaman

Born: London

Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool Date Left: 17 Feb 1851 Place Left: San Francisco Why Left: Deserted

BT 98/: 2702 Previous Ship: MALIBRAN Comments:

Beaufils

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 19 Born: FRA Ticket No: Foreigner Ord Seaman

Date Joined: Jun 1851 Place Joined: Shanghai

Date Left: 7 Jul 1851 Place Left: Shanghai Why Left: Deserted Previous Ship: NARVAL Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Cronn Tommy

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 32

Born: Madras Ticket No: Foreigner Ord Seaman Date Joined: 08 Jul 1851 Place Joined: Shanghai

Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged Comments: aka Crororn BT 98/: 2702 Previous Ship: FOLKSTONE

Dec Trois

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 22 Born: FRA Ticket No: Foreigner Ord Seaman

Date Joined: Jun 1851 Place Joined: Shanghai

Date Left: 05 Jul 1851 Place Left: Shanghai Why Left: Deserted Previous Ship: NARVAL Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Develin Robert

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 21

Born: Whitehaven Ticket No: 156749 Cook & Steward Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: 18 Nov 1850 Place Left: Valparaiso Why Left: Deserted Previous Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Ellis Samuel

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 36 Mate

Born: Scilly Ticket No: 74483 Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: Remains Place Left: Why Left: Previous Ship: BOSPHORUS of Scilly BT 98/: 2702 Comments:

Fogwill William

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 41 Seaman

Born: Plymouth Ticket No: 269939 Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: 17 Feb 1851 Place Left: San Francisco Why Left: Deserted

Previous Ship: BLACK PRINCE Comments: BT 98/: 2702 **Fraser** James M Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 21 Born: America Ticket No: Foreigner Ord Seaman Date Ioined: 27 Feb 1851 Place Joined: San Francisco Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged Previous Ship: NEW WORLD Comments: aka Frazer BT 98/: 2702 **Harnell** James Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 17 Born: London Ticket No: Nil Ord Seaman Date Joined: 05 Jul 1851 Place Joined: Shanghai Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged Previous Ship: SUCCESS Comments: aka Harnold BT 98/: 2702 Hill James Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 18 Born: LAN Ticket No: Nil Ord Seaman Date Joined: 03 Jun 1851 Place Joined: Shanghai Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged Previous Ship: LARPENT Comments: BT 98/: 2702 **Jackson** Thomas Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 28 Born: ENG Ticket No: Nil Seaman Date Ioined: 23 Feb 1851 Place Joined: San Francisco Place Left: Glasgow Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Why Left: Discharged Previous Ship: PALERMO Comments: BT 98/: 2702 Kaudren Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 25 Born: FRA Ticket No: Foreigner Seaman Date Joined: Jun 1851 Place Joined: Shanghai Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged Previous Ship: NARVAL Comments: BT 98/: 2702 **Lanroe** Thomas Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 40 Born: Dundee Ticket No: 20395 Carpenter Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool Place Left: Date Left: Remains Why Left: Previous Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Comments: aka Lowrie BT 98/: 2702 **Middleton** Thomas Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 32 Born: Exeter Ticket No: 114718 Seaman Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool Date Left: 17 Feb 1851 Place Left: San Francisco Why Left: Deserted Previous Ship: MALIBRAN Comments: BT 98/: 2702 Nilk Henry Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 29 Born: Hamburg Ticket No: Foreigner 2nd Mate Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool Place Left: Date Left: Remains Why Left: BT 98/: 2702 Previous Ship: EMPRESS Comments:

Peel John

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 37
Born: Workington Ticket No: 24773 Seaman

Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: 18 Nov 1850 Place Left: Valparaiso Why Left: Deserted Previous Ship: ANDOVER Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Pender James

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 24
Born: Scilly Ticket No: 12668 Seaman

Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: 17 Feb 1851 Place Left: San Francisco Why Left: Deserted Previous Ship: JANE SMITH Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Pipon George James

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 38

Born: GSY Ticket No: Nil Master

Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: Remains Place Left: Why Left: Previous Ship: EMPRESS Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Scott Henry

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 37

Born: Belfast Ticket No: Nil Cook

Date Joined: 15 Nov 1851 Place Joined: Valparaiso
Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged

Previous Ship: MARGARET Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Simmers James Edward

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age:

Born: Ticket No: 419509 Apprentice

Date Joined: blank

Date Left: Remains

Place Joined: blank

Place Left: Why Left:

Previous Ship: Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Smith Martin

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 28
Born: Dantzic Ticket No: Foreigner Seaman

Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: 17 Feb 1851 Place Left: San Francisco Why Left: Deserted Previous Ship: BLACK PRINCE Comments: BT 98/: 2702

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Stanteford John
Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly
Trade: Foreign
Age: 48

Born: ENG
Ticket No: Nil
Cook

Date Joined: 18 Feb 1851 Place Joined: San Francisco
Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged

Previous Ship: CURACOA Comments: aka Stantiford BT 98/: 2702

Tranmir John

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 30
Born: Holland Ticket No: Foreigner Seaman

Born: Holland Ticket No: Foreigner
Date Joined: 15 Nov 1850 Place Joined: Valparaiso

Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged

Previous Ship: BELLE MARGARETA Comments: BT 98/: 2702

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Tregarthen James

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 19

Born: Scilly Ticket No: 407220 Seaman

Date Joined: 29 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: Remains Place Left: Why Left: Previous Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly BT 98/: 2702 Comments:

Worrigan Thomas

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 30 Born: Nth Canada Ticket No: Nil Seaman

Date Joined: 02 Jul 1851 Place Joined: Shanghai

Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged Previous Ship: ANTIAS Comments: BT 98/: 2702

Caraun

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 23 Born: Calcutta Ticket No: Foreigner Ord Seaman

Date Joined: 26 Feb 1851 Place Joined: San Francisco

Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged BT 98/: 2702

Previous Ship: DUCHESS OF CLARENCE Comments:

Current Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 22 Ord Seaman Born: Calcutta Ticket No: Foreigner

Date Joined: 26 Feb 1851 Place Joined: San Francisco

Date Left: 07 Dec 1851 Place Left: Glasgow Why Left: Discharged Previous Ship: DUCHESS OF CLARENCE Comments: BT 98/: 2702

1851, Previous Crew Member:-

Allen Charles

Current Ship: BOSPHORUS of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 20 Born: Bristol Ticket No: 324153 Mate

Date Joined: 15 Jul 1850 Place Joined: Liverpool

Date Left: Remains Place Left: Why Left: BT 98/: 2702 Previous Ship: MANDARIN of Scilly Comments: MT 55297

Ellis Stephen

Current Ship: ROVENA of Scilly Trade: Foreign Age: 28 Born: Scilly Ticket No: 71607 Mate

Date Joined: 03 Sep 1850 Place Joined: Antwerp

Date Left: 01 Nov 1851 Place Left: Plymouth Why Left: Discharged Comments: MT 58845 Previous Ship: MANDARIN BT 98/: 2703

Details of Voyages:-

18.5.1849, Source: West Briton, newspaper.:-

VESSEL LAUNCHED AT SCILLY.

VESSEL LAUNCHED AT SCILLY - On Monday the 7th instant, a handsome clipper barque, named "Mandarin", was launched from the building yard of Mr William Mumford (Mu05). This vessel will be classed twelve years at Lloyd's, in 316 tons register, O.M., 314 tons N.M., and will be commanded by Mr James Tregarthen (Tr03), the owner with Mr. Thomas Buxton. She is intended for the India and China trade, and will proceed to Liverpool in the course of two or three days.

25.5.1849, Source: Royal Cornwall Gazette, newspaper.:-

SHIP NEWS.

SCILLY, Sailed, "Mandarin", Tregarthen (Tr03), for Liverpool.

3.7.1849, Source: Liverpool Mercury, newspaper .:-

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

SATURDAY, June 20.

SAILED - "Mandarin", Phillips, for Shanghae.

24.4.1851, Source: Freeman's Journal and Daily Commercial Advertiser, newspaper .:-

NORTH DUBLIN UNION.

GREAT OCEAN RACE. – The American clipper-ship "White Squall", Captain Lockwood, and the English barque "Mandarin", Captain Pipon, two of the fastest vessels afloat, sail this afternoon or to-morrow morning for Hong Kong. A great deal of interest has been manifested by parties acquainted with the previous performances of the vessels, and we shall, no doubt, hear of passages that have not yet been equalled. The competition for supremacy on the Pacific is but commencing. – Alta California.

14.1.1853, Source: Royal Cornwall Gazette, newspaper.:-

SHIP NEWS.

SCILLY. - Passed by on the 8th inst., barque "Mandarin", of Scilly, Symons, from Callao, ??? Cork for Leith.

24.8.1853, Source: The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW), Wednesday 24 August 1853, page 4.:-

CLEARANCE.

August 23. – "Mandarin", barque, 344 tons, Captain Symons, for Shanghai, in ballast.

24.5.1854, Source: Mariners & Ships in Australian Waters, Mandarin of Scilly:-

Mariners and ships in Australian Waters

Mandarin

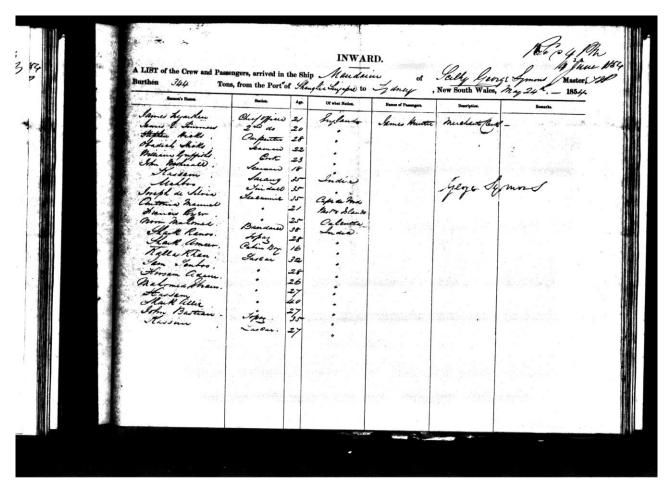
OF SCILLY, GEORGE SYMONS, MASTER, BURTHEN 344 TONS, FROM PORT OF SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE TO SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES, 24^{TH} . May, 1854.

Surname	Given name	Station	Age	Nationality	Status	Comments
SYMONS*	George	Captain			Crew	
LYARTHEN	James	Chief Officer	21	England	Crew	
SIMMONS	James	2 nd . Officer	20	England	Crew	
HICKS *	Stephen	Carpenter	28	England	Crew	
HICKS *	Obadiah	Seaman	22	England	Crew	
GRIFFITHS	William	Cook	23	England	Crew	
WATHUALL	John	Seaman	18	England	Crew	
KASSAM	Sarang		35	India	Crew	
MALBOO	Tindall		35	India	Crew	
DE SILVA	Joseph	Seacurrie (?)	35	Cape de Verde	Crew	

MANUEL	Antonio	Seacurrie	21	Western Island	dsCrew
RYEN	Francis	Seacurrie	25	Calcutta	Crew
MAHOMEL	Noor	Baudarie	38	India	Crew
RANOS	Shaik	Topaz	28	India	Crew
AMEER	Shaik	Cabin Boy	16	India	Crew
KHAN	Kalla	Lascar	32	India	Crew
SENBOO	Sam	Lascar	28	India	Crew
ADAM	Horsam	Lascar	26	India	Crew
EBRAM	Mahomed	Lascar	27	India	Crew
HUSSAM		Lascar	40	India	Crew
ALLIE	Shaik	Lascar	27	India	Crew
BASTIAN	John	Topaz	35	India	Crew
KASSIM		Topaz	27	India	Crew
HUNTER	James				Passenger
					Merchant's Clerk

^{*} Probably Scillonians - needs checking (if possible).

Source: State Records Authority of New South Wales: Shipping Master's Office; Passengers Arriving 1855 - 1922; NRS13278, [X90] reel 399. Transcribed by Gloria Sheehan, 2005.



25.5.1854, Source: The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW), Thursday May 1854, page 4.:-

SHIPPING ARRIVALS.

May 24. – "Mandarin", barque, 344 tons, Captain Symons, from Shanghai, November 19th. and Singapore March 24th. Passenger – Mr. Hunter. W. Walker, Jun., agent.

3.6.1854, Source: The Courier (Hobart Tasmania), Saturday 3 June 1854, page 2.:-

SHIPPING NEWS. HOBART TOWN

The "Mandarin" has been unfortunate since leaving Sydney. She left Shanghai November 19 (RIVB Note: 1853) for this port, but when out a week was dismasted. November 26, at 4 a.m., whilst laying-to under a close-reefed main-topsail, she encountered a typhoon from the north east, which hove her on her beam-ends. All three masts were cut away to save her, when she righted. She lost all her boats and bulwarks, the decks having been swept by a heavy sea. The typhoon lasted five hours, when the wind shifted round to the south east, and then lessoned. Jury masts were then rigged, and in eleven days she made Singapore. The "Mandarin" made a little water after the accident from severe straining, but it was easily kept under. About 300 chests of tea were damaged, and sold in Singapore for the benefit of those concerned. A very heavy sea was running during the continuance of the typhoon, and in order to keep her head to wind, about 50 fathoms of cable were paid out, which had the desired effect. The "Mandarin" refitted at Singapore. – Empire.

3.6.1854, Source: South Australian Register (newspaper), Saturday 3 June, 1854.:-

The "Mandarin", from Shanghai, was laid on her beam-ends in a typhoon in the China Seas, on the 26th November (1853), which compelled her to cut away all her masts; she put into Singapore to refit, where she was detained for upwards of three months. The "Bangalore", bound to London, was dismasted at the same time, and left Singapore a week before the "Mandarin". The "Mandarin" spoke a vessel hoisting 9276 first distinguishing pennant, from Melbourne, bound to Adelaide, 20 days out, with jibboom gone, in latitude 39deg. 43' S., and longitude 14 deg. 23' E. – M.M. Herald.

29.6.1854, Source: Sydney Morning Herald, Thursday 29 June 1854, page 1.:-

BARQUE MANDARIN. – All parties having Claims against the Captain and barque "Mandarin" are requested to send their accounts by Friday, at noon, to the office of WILLIAM WALKER, Jun., and CO., Walker's Wharf, Sydney, June 28.

14.1.1856, Source: Glasgow Advertiser, newspaper .:-

ADVERTISEMENTS & NOTICES.



17.7.1857, Source: Royal Cornwall Gazette, newspaper .:-

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

FALMOUTH, - FRIDAY, Arrived, "Mandarin", Tregarthen (Tr33), from Iquique.

30.7.1859, Source: South Australian Weekly Chronicle, newspaper.:-

SHIPPING NEWS. EXPORTS.

Cargo of the "Mandarin", for Mauritius – 15 tons hay, Ripley Webb and Co.; 10 tons hay, J. Darwent; 5 tons bran, 148 boxes pipes, Ripley Webb and Co; 7 cases of metal, 7 kegs metal nails, W. Younghusband and Co.; 15 cases cordials, H. Wurm and Co.; 12 horses, J. Tregarthen; 117 hhds. (empty), Ripley Webb and Co.; 6 tons bonedust, R. Nathan.

ALLINDA MARGARET. & (3) (child). *Jane, Ann, John* MANDARIN BARQUE, MASTER J. TREGARTHEN. PAS. FOR MAURITIUS. REG. 30/7/1859 P.2/COL/a (DEP. 28/7/1859)

ASHTON. Mr. Assistant Commissary general MANDARIN BARQUE, MASTER J. TREGARTHEN. PAS. FOR MAURITIUS. REG. 30/7/1859 P.2/COL/a (DEP. 29/7/1859) ADV 30./7/1859 P2A (DEP 29/7/1859)

ASHTON. Mrs, & (6) (child). *Emily, Lucy, Elle, Edward, Charles Herbert,* MANDARIN BARQUE, MASTER J. TREGARTHEN. PAS. FOR MAURITIUS. REG. 30/7/1859 P.2/COL/a (DEP. 29/7/1859)

9.12.1859, Source: Peter Richards, (The South Australian Advertiser).:-

"Mandarin", barque, 333 tons, J. Tregarthen (Tr33), master from Mauritius.... Philip Levi and Co., agents. Levi's Wharf.

The South Australian Advertiser, Friday 9 December 1859

21.6.1860, Source: Horner Index of Passengers from Australian Government website .:-

TREGARTHEN. J. Mr.
MALTA STEAMER, MASTER DOWNS.
PAS. FOR SOUTHAMPTON.
REG. 21/6/1860 P.2/COL/a. (DEP. 20/6/1860)

RWB Note: This may be Captain James Tregarthen (Tr33) having delivered the "Mandarin" to Australia for selling. See above declarations regarding the sale of the "Mandarin" in Australia. The vessel did eventually get sold in November 1860.

14.2.1861, Source: The Maitland Mercury & Hunter River General Advertiser (NSW), Thursday 14 February 1861.:-

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE. NEWCASTLE SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

"Mandarin", barque, Sinclair, for Adelaide, with 500 tons coal.

28.3.1861, Source: Mariners & Ships in Australian Waters, Mandarin of Scilly:-

Mariners and ships in Australian Waters

Mandarin

OF SCILLY, GEORGE SINCLAIR, MASTER, BURTHEN 334 TONS, FROM PORT OF ADELAIDE TO SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES, 28TH. MARCH, 1861.

Surname	Given name	Station	Age	Nationality	Status Comments
SINCLAIR	George	Captain			Crew
DRYSDALE	A.	2 nd . Mate	25	British	Crew
MADDIN	J.	A. B.	24	British	Crew
SINUMOVITZ	M.	A. B.	22	Foreign	Crew
SMITH	T.	A. B.	24	British	Crew
DONELLY	J.	A. B.	25	British	Crew
ASSA	H.	A. B.	25	British	Crew
JOHNSON	Joe	Cook/Steward	43	British	Crew
CUMMING	D.	A. B.	40	British	Crew
MILLAR	D.	O. S.	18	British	Crew
JOHNSON	D.	A. B.	25	Foreign	Crew
SINCLAIR	Mrs.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss P.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss C.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss E.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Master H.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Master D.				Passenger
SMITH	J.				Passenger

Source: State Records Authority of New South Wales: Shipping Master's Office; Passengers Arriving 1855 - 1922; NRS13278, [X102-104] reel 408. Transcribed by Arthur Sheen, 2004.

21.5.1861, Source: The south Australian (Adelaide, S.A.), Tuesday 21 May 1861, page 2.:-

FATAL ACCIDENT. - A melancholy accident has transpired recently on board the "Mandarin", barque, under the following singular circumstances. During the above-named vessel's passage from Newcastle to Adelaide, a boy, one of the captain's sons, was pricked in a finger by one of the fin bones of a barracouta during the sport of fishing over the quarter of the vessel. No immediate injury making its appearance, the lad allowed the finger to remain without medical attention, but a few days after, the punctured finger became very painful, every attention possible was paid, but of no avail. The character of the injury gave indications of being poisoned, and resulted in the death of the youth.

13.6.1861, Source: The South Australian Advertiser (Adelaide), Thursday 13 June 1861, page 3.:-

POLICE COURT - PORT ADELAIDE.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12.
[Before Messrs. G.W. Hawkes, S.M.J. Hart, and H. Duncan]

ASSAULT. – *Martin White*, seaman, pleaded guilty to the charge of assault on James Thompson, on board the barque "*Mandarin*", and was committed to gaol for six months with hard labour.

29.6.1861, Source: Mariners & Ships in Australian Waters, Mandarin of Scilly:-

Mariners and ships in Australian Waters

Mandarin

OF SCILLY, GEORGE SINCLAIR, MASTER, BURTHEN 334 TONS, FROM PORT OF ADELAIDE TO SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES, 28^{TH} . MARCH, 1861.

Surname SINCLAIR	Given name George	Station Captain	Age	Nationality	Status Comments Crew
DRYSDALE A.		Mate	24	British	Crew
BLACK	A. J.	2 nd . Mate	22	British	Crew
GLENDING	M.	Steward	40	British	Crew
THOMSON	J. J.	A. B.	22	British	Crew
DETLESS	Jno.	A. B.	25	British	Crew
MILLAR	David	A. B.	20	British	Crew
ABRAHAMSO	N Jno.	A. B.	23	British	Crew
JOHNSTONE	Jno.	A. B.	27	British	Crew
REAISE	Julius	A. B.	25	British	Crew
SINCLAIR	Mrs.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss R.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss C.				Passenger
SINCLAIR	Miss E.				Passenger
BAILEY	Miss.				Passenger
ABRAM	Thos.				Passenger
JOHNSON	William				Passenger

Source: State Records Authority of New South Wales: Shipping Master's Office; Passengers Arriving 1855 - 1922; NRS13278, [X102-104] reel 409. Transcribed by Les Griffith, 2005.

18.7.1861, Source: The Maitland Mercury & Hunter River General Advertiser (NSW), Thursday 18 July 1861, page 3.:-

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE. NEWCASTLE SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. - July 13. "General Jessup", barque, 194 tons, Noon from Melbourne; "Mandarin", barque, Sinclair, with 625 bags wheat, and 450 bags flour.

24.9.1861, Source: The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW), Tuesday 24 September 1861, page 4.:-

WATER POLICE COURT. MONDAY.

BEFORE the Water Police Magistrate, Mr. R. Ronald, and Mr. J. Williams.

Of three persons found drunk in the streets, two were fined 20s., with the alternative of forty-eight hours' imprisonment; the other 10s. or twenty-four hours.

Jeremiah M'Carthy, who was found in an empty water tank on board the barque "Mandarin", whilst she was being cleared prior to proceeding to sea, was apprehended as a stowaway, his name not appearing on the outward list. He was admonished and discharged.

3.10.1861, Source: The Sydney Morning Herald (NSW), Thursday 3 October 1861, page 5.:-

BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH. [FROM OUR CORRESPONDANTS.] NEWCASTLE.

Wednesday, 7 p.m.

THERE has been a conflict between the Coal and Copper Company's miners and the police this morning. A party of nine seamen from the barque "Mandarin" went out to load small coal. They had been engaged in getting cola for some time when a number of the miners' wives interfered. Mr. Berner, manager of the Company, and six police were present. Finding the interruption so great, Mr. Berner ordered the arrest of one of the most violent. On the police attempting to take her into custody, the miners came down in a body and forcibly rescued her. The police were compelled to retire, and the seamen returned to the ship. All is at present quiet. The chief ring-leaders are known, but no steps can be taken without strong reinforcement.

24.10.1861, Source: The South Australian Advertiser (Adelaide, S.A.), Thursday 24 October 1861, page 2.:-

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED

Wednesday, October 23 – "Mandarin", British barque, 334 tons, G. Sinclair, master, from Newcastle 7th October. E. and A. Copper Co., agents. Passengers – Mrs., Misses, and Master Sinclair, and Miss Jenny Brown, in the cabin.

IMPORTS.

Cargo of the "Mandarin", from Newcastle - 480 tons coals, E. and A. Copper Company.

30.12.1861, Source: Mariners & Ships in Australian Waters, Mandarin:-

30th. December, 1861, "Mandarin" arrived in Sydney, New South Wales from Adelaide.

10.6.1862, Source: South Australian Advertiser, Wednesday 11 June 1662, page 2.:-

DIED.

SINCLAIR - On the 10th of June, at Port Adelaide, Captain George Sinclair, of the barque "Mandarin", aged 53 years.

20.6.1862, Source: Horner Index of Passengers from Australian Government website.:-

SINCLAIR. MISS. (4). MANDARIN BARQUE, MASTER DRYSDALE. PAS. FOR OTAGO. N.Z. REG. 20/6/1862 P.2/COL/a. (DEP. 19/6/1862

SINCLAIR. Mrs. MANDARIN BARQUE, MASTER DRYSDALE. PAS. FOR OTAGO. N.Z. REG. 20/6/1862 P.2/COL/a. (DEP. 19/6/1862

1.2.1864, Source: South Australian Register (newspaper), Monday 1 February 1864, page3.:-

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

VICTORIA

The barque "Mandarin" has been purchased for Messrs. Dale, Fuller, & Co., for £2,500

14.12.1864, Source: Horner Index of Passengers from Australian Government website.:-

KAINS. Mrs & (2) (child). MANDARIN BARQUE, MASTER W. R. STEPHENSON. PAS. FOR AUCKLAND. N.Z. REG. 14/12/1864 P.2/COL/a.(DEP. 13/12/1864)

1866, Source: Shipwrecks, Kent:-

Mandarin. Barque. Disappeared without trace in a gale, Bass Strait, 1866. [LV]

The barque "Mandarin" disappeared off Wilson Promontory during a severe gale. Wreckage thought to be from the vessel was found at a number of locations around the Promontory. The captain and the crew of eleven lost their lives.

7.4.1866, Source: Gippsland Times (Victoria). Saturday 7 April 1866, page 3.:-

WRECKS AMONG THE GLENNIE ISLANDS.

With regard to the quantities of wreck which have been reported from time to time by various arrivals coast-wise, during the last few weeks, as having been off the neighbourhood of Wilson's Promontory, there can now be no doubt but that nearly all, if not the whole, of these fragments once belonged to the barque "Mandarin". It was at first surmised, from the information supplied by Captain Darby, of the "Charles Edward", s.s., that the portions of wreck found floating were those of a large ship, but the minute and circumstantial details furnished by Captain Finlayson, of the schooner "Yarra", have set the matter to rest, and there is too much reason to fear the barque has become a total wreck, and, from absence of any intelligence of survivors, that all on board have perished. The wreck lying on the Five-mile Beach, between Rabbit Island and Corner Inlet, consists of a figure-head, that of a man, painted white, with a short conical cap or covering, turned up at the rim, the turned up part painted black, and the drew resembling a loose tunic. The countenance is smooth, and of Grecian cast, with a black moustache. Round the neck is a large chain, or ornamental bead work, and in the right hand of the figure is a roll of paper. These particulars apply so accurately to the figure-head of the "Mandarin" that there is no question as to the identity of the vessel which has suffered. On the beach there are also a maizen-mast, partially hacked through; portions of the deck and beams of such a description of vessel as the "Mandarin"; together with portions of a large deckhouse, with cedar doors and fittings; a brass-bound binnacle in a skylight, with large heavy brass hinges; and a portion of compass frame, with brass mountings. The wreck likewise comprises a white-painted whale-boat, in pieces, with five oars two of them new, and branded D in a diamond. A lifebuoy with a handkerchief attached supposed to have had some valuables tied up in it, has also been picked up. The "Mandarin" left Hobson's Bay, outward bound for Newcastle, N.S.W., on the morning of March 7, in good seagoing order, with Captain Hammond, first and second mates, and a crew of nine, on board. It will be recollected that it was on the evening of the same day that the late disastrous gales commenced which did so much damage to the shipping off the coast. The "Mandarin" kept on her course with the "Ann and Jane", bound for the same port. Both vessels were in company until about midnight, and the wind, which had hitherto been comparatively light, suddenly increased to a heavy gale blowing from W.S.W. At this time the "Mandarin" was about a mile to leeward of the "Ann and Jane", and continued at this distance for a short while, when she was suddenly lost sight of. The barque "Ann and Jane" was then eight miles

west of Rhodonda Island. It is conjectured that she had got among the rocks at Glennie Islands, and had become unable to extract herself. One portion of the wreck – the mizenmast – shows unmistakable evidence of having been chopped nearly through, with the motive no doubt, of lightening the barque, but before she could be eased she must have struck heavily and gone to pieces. The *Mandarin*" was a British barque, of 333 tons register, built in Scilly some thirteen years ago, and was owned in Adelaide, and is stated to be insured in the Universal Marine Company for £2,300. The following, as near as can be ascertained, are the names of those who were aboard:-- A. Hammond, master; Thomas Chalmers, first mate; Peter Flynne, second mate; Jas. Russel, cook; Henry Bindan, John Gill, W.H. Sander, Wm. Dillon, Joseph Henry, Jas. Holden, Wm. Brown, and Wm. Gibbons, seamen. Chalmers, the chief mate, is said to have left a widow and eight young children quite unprovided for. -- *Argus*.

30.6.1866, Source: The Maitland Mercury & Hunter River General Advertiser (NSW), Saturday 30 June 1866, page 5.:-

WARATAH.

The miners of the Waratah colliery have this week forwarded the sum of £8 14s. to the widow of the late Captain Chalmers, who was lost with the "Mandarin", barque, a short time ago, between here and Melbourne. It is indeed very pleasing to see how readily the miners came forward to assist the needy, and relieve the distressed, even though the sufferers may not belong to their own fraternity, as in this case.

June 23, 1866.

1.10.2015, Source: Roger Stewart, e-mailed information regarding Scillonian's connection with Mauritius.:-

Researching more about the history of Mauritius. The links with Scilly appear to have been quite strong. Odd discoveries include that Capt John Pascoe Ellis of Scilly took command of a barque from Port Louis "The Sir George Anderson" after commanding the Schooner "Nautilus". Another link was that Capt James Tregarthen of the Barque "Mandarin" was accepted into the Masonic Lodge in Port Louis in 1860 (along with some other British Captains). The History of the island is very complex but the delivery of coal there and collection of Sugar and exotic fruits made it a good destination to call at (often on the route to Australia and Far East).