

1823 July 1st

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6) I consider that a missionary situated as this was hitherto, without regular intercourse with home, & whose missionaryary has not received any advice from the Committee for years altogether, & which he has carried on for full 2 years & upwards under resignation of connection with them, absolutely stands under the dictatorship, even, I might add, proprietorship of such missionary, & that, in general.

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I am just at the end of my sheet, & read at 11 o'clock the "Cypriote" is to be under way at 12.

With thanks for all your kindness towards me  
 I am truly  
 Yours truly  
 Wm. G. Smith  
 London & Wiltshire.

I received your letter & present & can  
 assure you I was more gratified with the former than with  
 the latter, for which I beg to offer an equivalent of  
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 have every where a town & a refuge & I should be very  
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 Nagasaki, July 17<sup>th</sup> 1853.

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1829 July 5. Japan

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what had you

I am sure in your letter you have  
noted that the "Japanese" at the  
"Shanghai" at the end of the  
... ..

The Commission left in morning about 8 o'clock  
... ..

"Right" ... ..

... ..

Now that Shanghai men, unless early initiated, do not perfectly  
acquire the mandarin dialect, I should prefer - if obtainable  
a good speaker in this dialect to the man we have now.  
Opportunities of bringing the one over & taking the other back  
may now often offer. With the Chinese servant we are  
possibly well pleased. I can scarcely tell you what com-  
fortable sensation it produced me to-day to see him  
iron the linen, sure enough that my good wife will  
now be able to rest her hand from this piece of hard  
work, especially so in the summer season.

The Loosooan Return-junks from Fu-  
chow are anxiously expected. They should have  
been back a few days ago already. What news  
that is going on in Fuchow. In can he Emperor for-  
ced the junk of his doped vessel into his fleet.  
I should beg you to write to Consul Walker, that he  
may please to send off my things to Shanghai, since  
I should say, there may now be more frequent connec-  
tion with his than from Fuchow, & perhaps than from  
Hong Kong either. I am very anxious to get my  
letters, which as the Bishop wrote us, are all  
at Fuchow.

In case no wine has been sent us for  
Fuchow I should beg you to buy for me a  
of about 20-30 gallons fresh wine,  
cheap light wine. I think the one we had  
Marzella, & would again do.

