JM F1 11, Agreement of John and Thomas Rees, May 17, 1836.

Agreement of John and Thomas Rees. An agreement between the John Rees, master of the 'Colonel Young', and Thomas Rees, master of the 'Lord Amherst', both opium ships, that sales are to be equalised weekly, dated Shimmo Bay, 17 May 1836.

"We the undersigned enter into the following agreement.

That the remaining stock of all opium on board our respective ships is to be given monthly and that the opium in Shimmo or Chin Chew Bays to be delivered from any one ship of either employ.

Namely the opium to be delivered from the Colonel Young or Lord Amherst or any other vessel belonging to our owners which we may name.

The deliveries of opium to be equalized once a week in Shimmo Bay, should one vessel deliver more opium than the other it is understood that vessel shall stop sales or purchase from the other to make the sales equal.

If one ship has a description of opium which the other ship has not it is not to interfere at all with the general sales but the deliveries of the same shall be given correctly.

It is further understood that Old Patna or Old Malwa are not to be equalized with the new opium.

Present prices in Shimmo Bay are as follows. Old Patna \$852, New Do. 762. Old Benares \$812, New Do. \$722. G. Malwa \$622. Securing the Brokers 100 catties per chest. These prices includes the Manderrine fees of \$10 per chest. Prices at Chin Chew \$5 less per chest. If any alteration in prices, it is to be fixed by the undersigned or any other person they may appoint, from the 24th of May. \$195 Dollars to be given for Gold Bars from 84 to 87 touch, and \$2 less for each touch under 84 touch.

It is also agreed that letters shall be forwarded to Canton & Lintin and to be enclosed to our respective owners at Canton & Capt. Parry & Crockett at Lintin.

Shimmo Bay

May 17th, 1836"

Signed: Rees, Commander of the Col. Young. Rees, commander of the Lord Amherst.

Note:

"the opium is not to be equalized in any of the other bays." RR

Note:

Stock on hand, May 22 1836

Lord Amherst – P330 B120 M24 – Total 474 – OP 9 Colonel Young – P180 B19 M39 – Total 238 – OP 9 + OB 9 Austin – P150 B21 M25 – Total 196 – OP9 + OB 5 Total – P660 – B160 – M88 – Total 908 – OP 9 + OB 14