

March 3rd 1875.

To

His Excellency
Kuma Shigenobu

Sir

I beg to submit herewith an estimate for storing and bringing three Iron of War from England to Japan, the total amount being Forty-one thousand & thirty nine pounds, seven shillings and six pence (£41,039. 7. 6) These ships are of immense power, and consequently require a large number of men in the Engine-room; their consumption of coal will also be very large, I have calculated it so as to allow them to steam from 9½ to 10 miles an hour. I think it very probable that some Malay Seamen may be obtained in England which would somewhat reduce the expense, as they need only be sent back to Singapore. I should therefore say that Forty thousand pounds £40,000 is quite sufficient for the purpose. As this is £5,000 less than the estimate sent from England, it may be thought that it cannot be done for this amount, but in order to convince you that it can; I hereby offer to take delivery of the ships after they are finished in England, and to hand them over to the Naval Department at Shinagawa, free of every ordinary expense in connection with the said voyage, for the sum of £40,000, to be paid to me in London.

I am Sir

Your obedient servant.

W. Brown

Abstract of Expenses.

for
Three Men of War.
from

England to Japan.

	£	s	d.
Pay of Captains, Officers, Engineers and Men, as per account. - - - - -	8,840	00	00
Provisions for the above, as per account. -	3,924	7	0.
Passage money and expenses in returning Crews to Europe - - - - -	9,900	00	00.
Expenses for Coal &c, as per account. - - -	14,500	00	00.
Annual expenses as per account. - - - -	2,595	00	00
Incidental expenses as per account. - - -	1,780	00	00.
Total -	£ 41,039	7	0

Estimate.
For bringing Three Men of War, from England
to Japan.

Expense of Crew.		£	s	d
2 Captains @ £35 per month - £70.	3 Chief Officers @ £18 - £54.	124	00	00
3 Second Officers @ £12 - £36.	3 Third Officers @ £10 - £30.	66	00	00
3 Fourth Officers @ £7 - £21.	3 Carpenters @ £9 - £27.	48	00	00
3 Carpenter's Mates @ £6 - £18.	3 Boatswains @ £8 - £24.	42	00	00
3 Boatswain's Mates @ £5 - £15.	18 Quarter Masters @ £5 - £90.	105	00	00
3 Cabin Cooks @ £8 - £24.	3 Assistant Cooks @ £6 - £18.	42	00	00
6 Sailor's and Fireman's Cooks @ £5 - £30.		30	00	00
3 Chief Steward @ £10 - £30.	3 Second Stewards @ £6 - £18.	48	00	00
3 Storekeepers @ £6 - £18.	3 Pantrymen @ £5 - £15.	33	00	00
3 Officers Servants @ £4 - £12.	3 Engineers Servants @ £4 - £12.	24	00	00
6 Saloon Waiters @ £4 - £24.	80 Keamen @ £4 - £320.	344	00	00
3 Boatswain Storekeepers @ £4.10 - £13.10.		13	10	00
3 Chief Engineers @ £35 - £105.		105	00	00
3 Second Engineers @ £25 - £75.		75	00	00
3 Third Engineers @ £20 - £60.	3 Fourth Engineers @ £15 - £45.	105	00	00
3 Boiler Makers @ £12 - £36.	3 Engineers Storekeepers @ £6 - £18.	54	00	00
30 Firemen @ £12.10 - £360.		360	00	00
7 Leading Firemen @ £7.10 - £49.10.		49	10	00
Total pay of Crews for One Month		£	1668	0 0
Total expense of Crews for Five Months		£	8340	0 0

Note. The Five Months allowed is reckoning up to
the date of their arrival ⁱⁿ England from Japan.

Mess Account. For Three and a Half Months.

Saloon. 18 persons, consisting of Captains, Officers, and Chief Engineers @ 10/- per day. (each)	£	1	0
	945	00	00
Junior Engineers and Boiler Makers, 12 persons @ 5/- per day each - - - - -	315	00	00
Carpenters, Boatwains, and Chief Stewards, 9 persons @ 3/6 per day each - - - - -	165	7	0
Carpenter Mates, Boatwain Mates, and Chief ^{Second} Stewards, Saloon Cooks, and Storekeepers, Pantrymen and Engineer Store Keeper. 24 persons @ 2/6 per day each - - - - -	315	00	00
Remainder of Crew, viz 208 persons, at an average of 2/6 per day each.	2184	00	00
Total expense for Provisions.	£	3924	7 0

Passage Money And Expenses attending the return of the Men to Europe.

	£	s	d.
First Class. — 2 Captains, 3 Chief Engineers, and 3 Chief Officers, viz 8 persons @ £120 = £960. Additional allowance for incidental expenses each £30 = £240	1200	00	00
Second Class. — Junior Officers & Engineers, Boiler Makers, and Chief Stewards. Total 24 persons @ £60 each = £1440 Additional allowance for incidental expenses each £5 = £120	1560	00	00
Deck Passengers. — Remaining portion of Crew 238 in number @ £30 each	7140	00	00
Total expense in returning Crews.	9900	00	00

Expenses for Coal, Cannon and
Incidental Expenses.

Coal.	£	s	d.
For 55 days steaming at 125 Tons per day, the average price being £2 per Ton	13,750	00	00
Engine Oil, and Engineers Stores.	750	00	00
	£ 14,500	00	00

Cannon Expenses.	£	s	d.
586 Tons @ 10 pence per Ton	2445	00	00
Pilotage, Port, and other Charges	150	00	00
	£ 2595	00	00

Incidental Expenses.	£	s	d.
Sundry Cabin Stores for the Voyage	450	00	00
Expenses attending the engagement of the Searmen	150	00	00
Pilotage from England, and at the different ports.	180	00	00
Expenses at the different ports of call on the outward Voyage	900	00	00
Travelling and Expenses in England	100	00	00
	£ 1780	00	00

Estimate for bringing
Three "Men of War"
from
England to Japan.