



East India Company

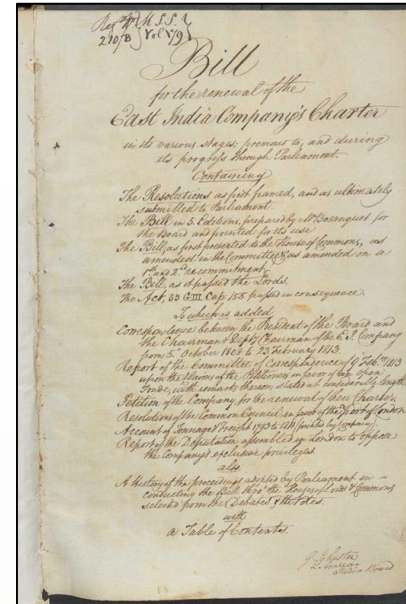
英國東印度公司

What is in the database?

「有了英國東印度公司清晰的數位化文獻，得以輕易取得大量的資訊，這些資訊在過去只有在倫敦大英圖書館的讀者才能取得，這將同時為學者和入門的學生都帶來絕佳的機會。」--美國杜克大學教授菲利浦史登(Philip Stern, Duke University)

資料庫簡介

英國東印度公司資料庫內容文件取自於倫敦大英圖書館所典藏的歷史文獻，而這些文獻原自於印度事務部檔案；文獻內容包含英國東印度公司、印度理事會以及英國東印度公司與世界各地貿易的紀錄。



連線網址：<http://www.eastindiacompany.amdigital.co.uk/>

關於英國東印度公司資料庫

Module 1：貿易、統治和帝國，1600-1947

包含英國東印度公司和後續的印度事務部最重要的行政文件，涵蓋英國統治印度的整個時期，以及橫跨好幾世紀的帝國擴張。

- IOR/A: 特許、契約、法規和條約, 1600-1947
- IOR/B: 董事會和經營者會議紀錄, 1599-1858
- IOR/C: 印度理事會的會議紀錄和備忘錄, 1858-1947
- IOR/D: 委員會會議紀錄和備忘錄, 1700-1858

關於英國東印度公司資料庫

Module 2：南亞及東南亞的商館紀錄

IOR/G: 南亞、東南亞商館紀錄, 1595-1830

Module 3：中國、日本以及中東商館紀錄

IOR/G: 中國、日本以及中東商館紀錄

主題涵蓋

- 早期前往印度、印尼香料群島和日本的遠征
- 對抗印度地方勢力和法國的戰爭
- 印度民族起義 1857-1859
- 甘地(Mahatma Gandhi)和印度獨立運動
- 印度國民大會黨(the Indian National Congress)與穆斯林聯盟(Muslim League)
- 印度總督沃倫黑斯廷斯(Warren Hastings)被控貪汙、遭彈劾及罪名不成立
- 17,18世紀對抗海盜的遠征
- 統治權由東印度公司移轉給英國女王
- 茶、紡織品、金屬與鴉片貿易
- 英國與中國間的鴉片戰爭
- 喬治馬戛爾尼伯爵(Earl Macartney)出使中國
- 史丹福·萊佛士爵士(Sir Stamford Raffles)與新加坡的興起

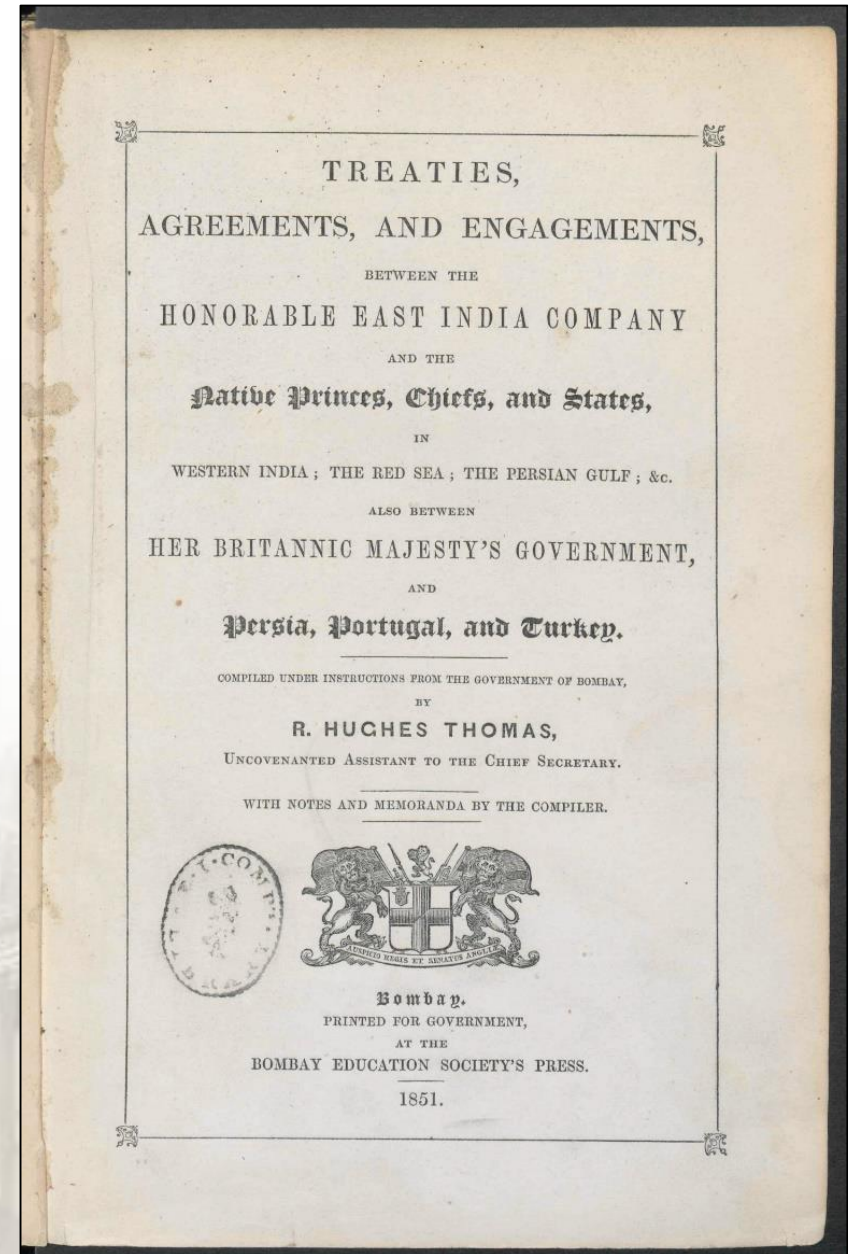
文獻類別

數位化的第一手文獻包含：

- 委員會會議記錄(董事會、經營者和印度理事會)
- 呈給委員會的備忘錄和報告
- 委員會決議
- 稅務委員會會議紀錄
- 特許
- 立法文件
- 印行書籍
- 書信
- 行政、軍事和神職人員名單
- 貿易日誌
- 顧客清冊
- 帳本和其他財務文件

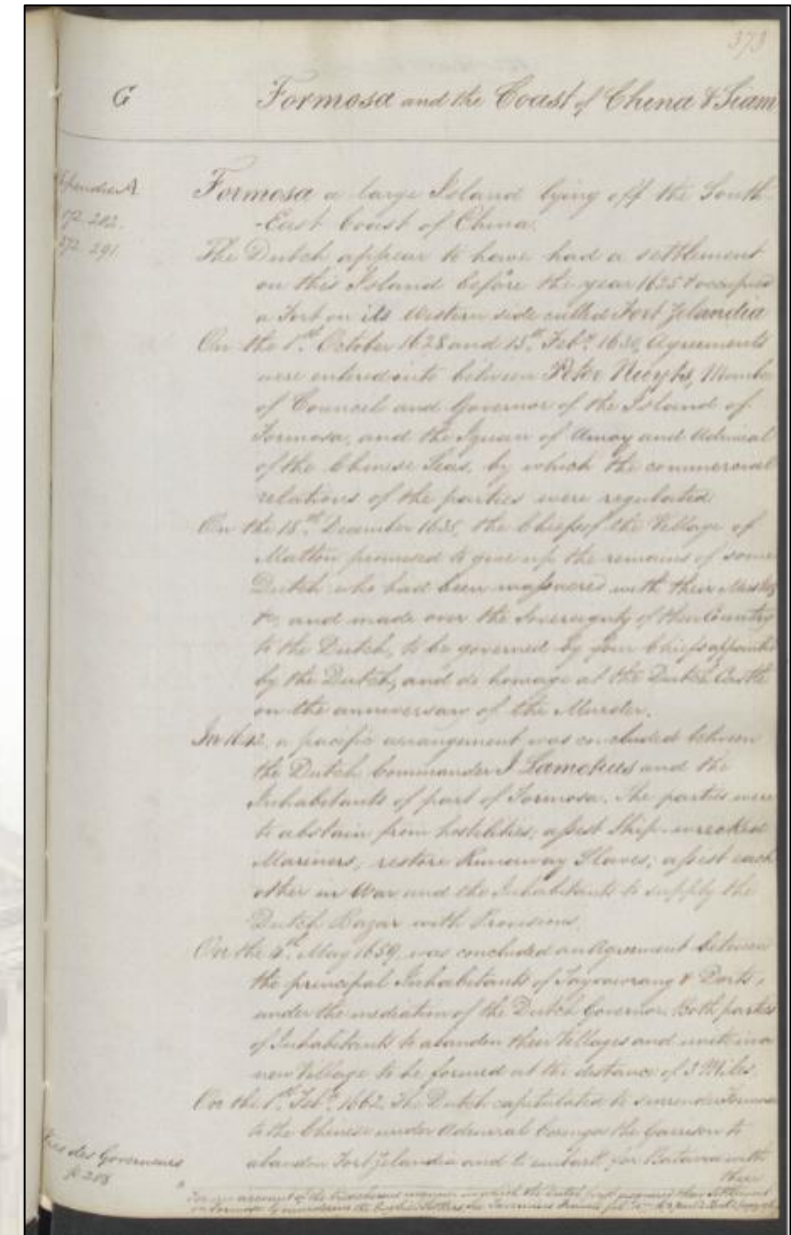
Module 1 舉例文件

- 西元1600年12月31日，英格蘭女王伊莉莎白一世授予東印度公司皇家特許狀，給予它在印度貿易的特權。
- 西元1668年英王將孟買授予東印度公司。
- 與世界各地的統治者和其他貿易公司的條約和協議，例如：IOR / A / 2/23（見右圖）。



Module 2 舉例文件

- 英國與荷蘭東印度公司在爪哇的競爭信件 (1618-54)。
- 荷蘭東印度公司與東南亞地區(台灣、中國沿海地區)關係之文件，例如：
IOR/G/21/1 (見右圖)。
- IOR/G/34/10: 史丹福·萊佛士爵士開阜新加坡相關文件。

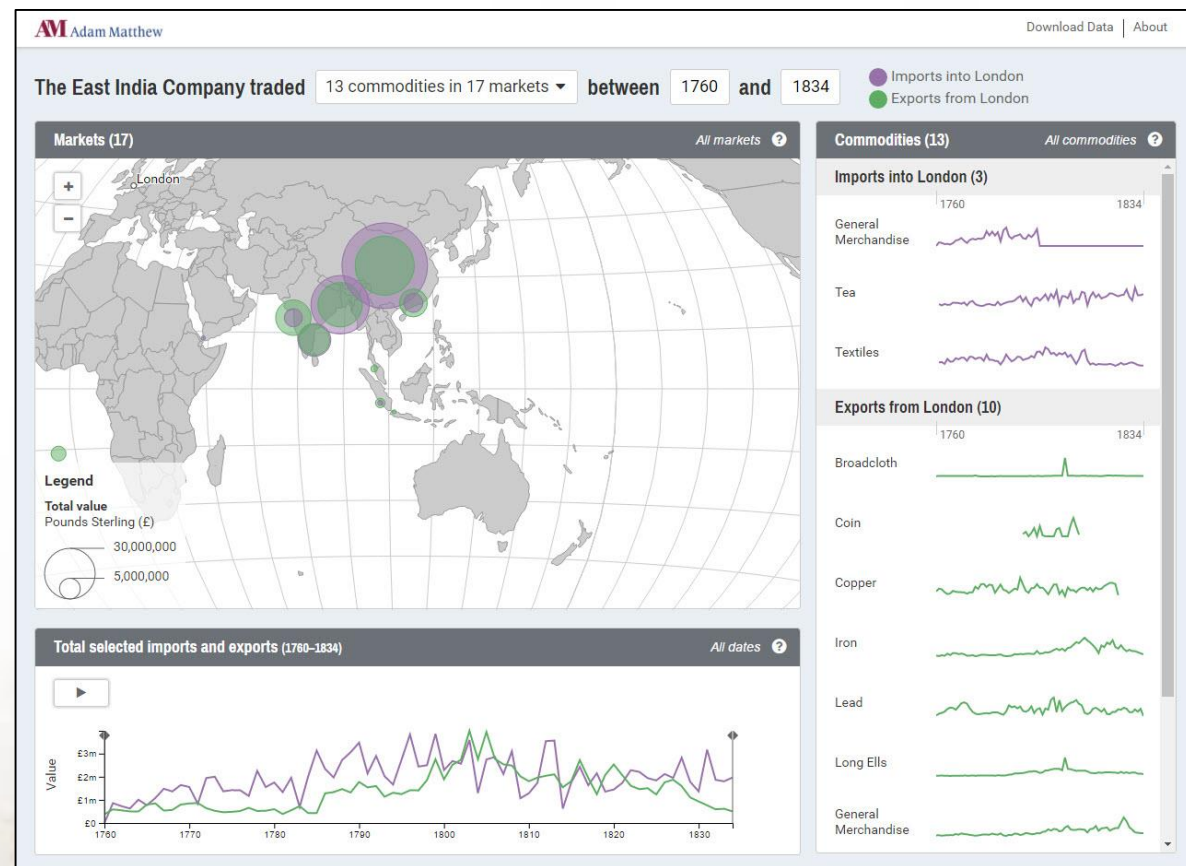


Module 3 舉例文件

- **IOR/G/12**：廣州、澳門和其他中國向東印度公司開放的港口（從17世紀到19世紀）當地商管的日常開會紀錄和帳冊。
- **IOR/G/12/20**：馬戛爾尼使節團駐中國大使館的相關文件(可追朔到1787年~1810年)。
- **IOR/G/29**：波斯、波斯灣 (哈佛德・瓊斯爵士擔任波斯特使期間相關文件)。

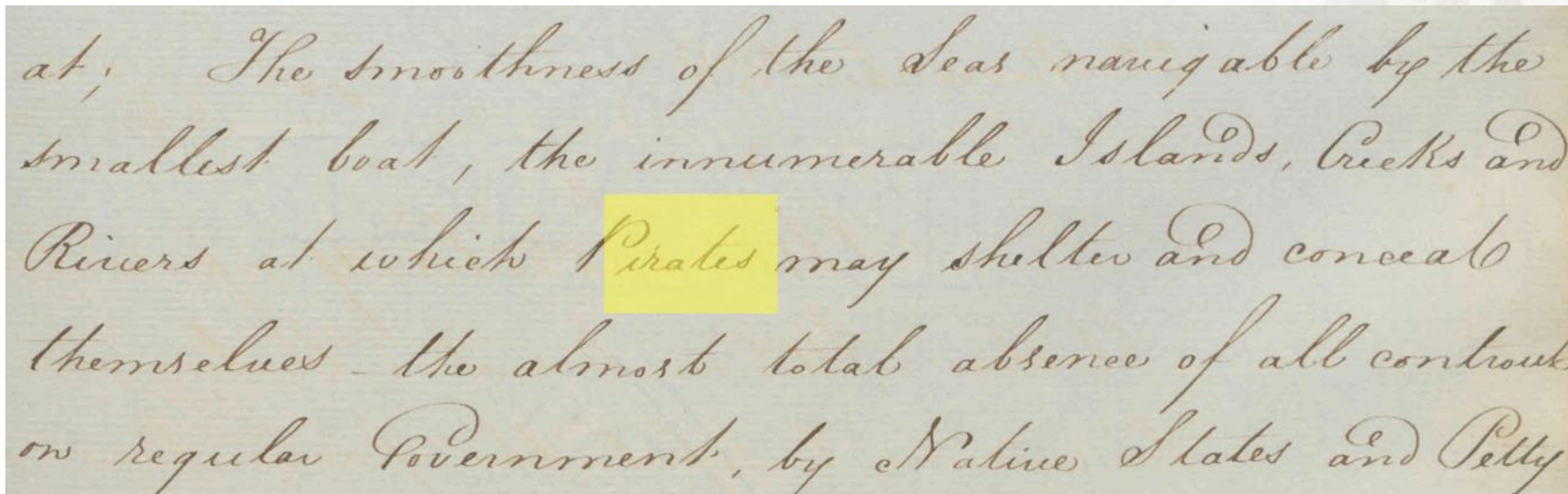
資料庫特色

- **著名學者撰寫的學術論文**：更深入了解時空背景，並探索檔案內容。
- **互動式年表**：可依研究的領域或時期，搜尋1600到1948年間印度到亞洲貿易世界的各種事件。
- **政府組織圖**：闡明英屬印度各階層單位及歷任總督，包含任職期間及簡短的傳記
- **資料影像化**：全球主要港口進出口價格和數量等資訊



資料庫特色-HTR手寫辨識技術(Handwritten Text Recognition)

- 英國東印度公司所收錄的資料大部分都是當時期珍貴的手稿。
- Adam Matthew團隊開發出HTR手寫辨識技術(Handwritten Text Recognition)。
- 使用者可以透過關鍵字檢索手寫的英文原始檔案資源，大幅擴大檢索範疇，讓所有史料都能一次網羅。

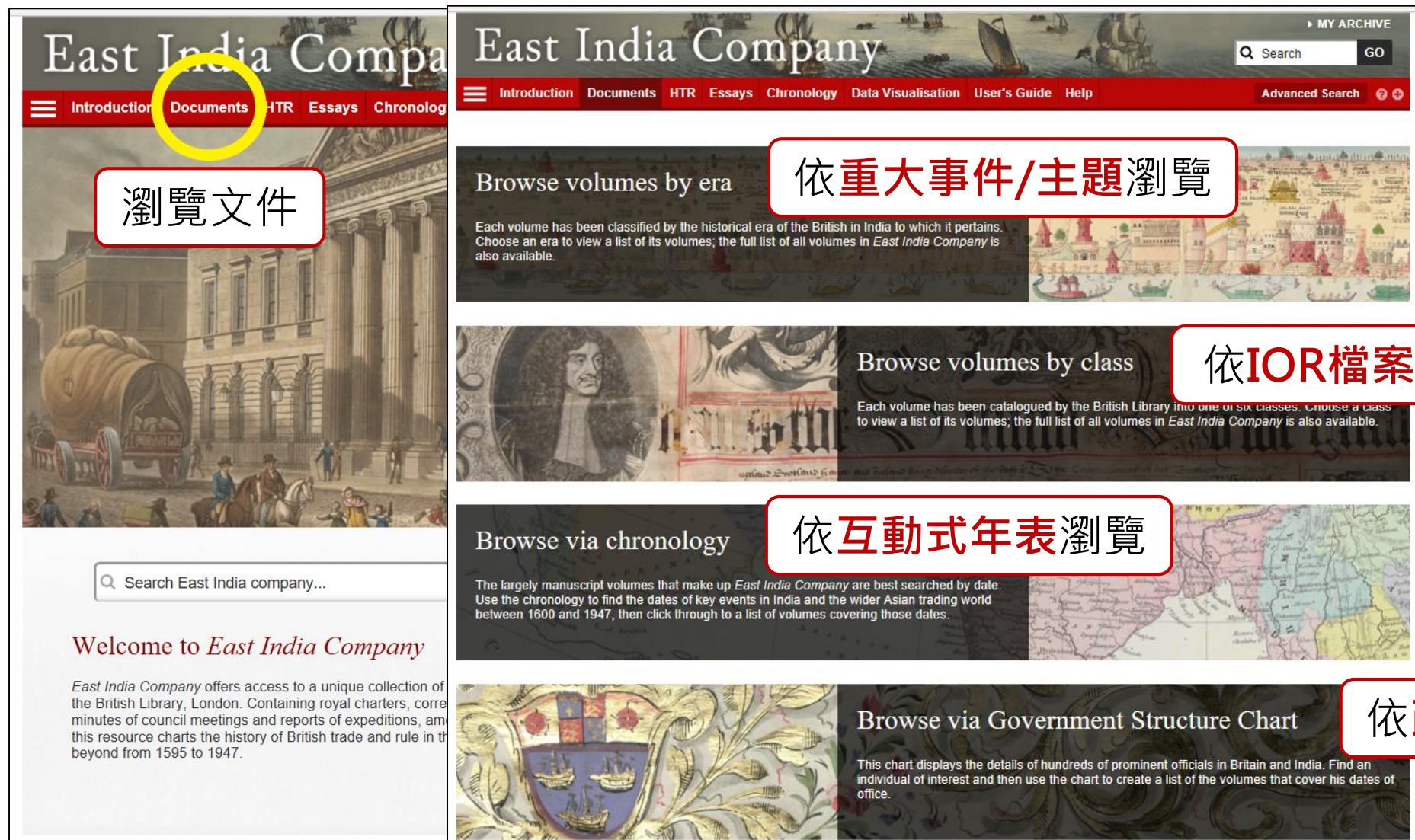


at; The smoothness of the Seas navigable by the
smallest boat, the innumerable Islands, Creeks and
Rivers at which **Pirates** may shelter and conceal
themselves - the almost total absence of all controul
on regular Government, by Native States and Petty

How to use the database

「東印度公司所成就的在人類歷史上沒有其他企業可比擬。」--泰晤士報 1874年1月2日

文獻瀏覽



The screenshot shows the East India Company website interface. At the top, the title 'East India Company' is displayed. Below it is a red navigation bar with links: Introduction, Documents, HTR, Essays, Chronology, Data Visualisation, User's Guide, and Help. A search bar with a 'GO' button is on the right. The 'Documents' link is circled in yellow. Below the navigation bar, there are four main sections for browsing volumes: 'Browse volumes by era', 'Browse volumes by class', 'Browse via chronology', and 'Browse via Government Structure Chart'. Each section includes a brief description of how the volumes are categorized and a link to view a list of volumes. The 'Documents' section is highlighted with a red box and the text '瀏覽文件'. The 'Browse volumes by era' section is highlighted with a red box and the text '依重大事件/主題瀏覽'. The 'Browse volumes by class' section is highlighted with a red box and the text '依IOR檔案編碼瀏覽'. The 'Browse via chronology' section is highlighted with a red box and the text '依互動式年表瀏覽'. The 'Browse via Government Structure Chart' section is highlighted with a red box and the text '依政府組織圖瀏覽'. At the bottom left, there is a search bar with the text 'Search East India company...' and a welcome message: 'Welcome to East India Company'. Below the welcome message, there is a paragraph of text: 'East India Company offers access to a unique collection of the British Library, London. Containing royal charters, correspondence, minutes of council meetings and reports of expeditions, among other documents, this resource charts the history of British trade and rule in India from 1595 to 1947.'

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Search GO

Advanced Search

Browse volumes by era

Each volume has been classified by the historical era of the British in India to which it pertains. Choose an era to view a list of its volumes; the full list of all volumes in East India Company is also available.

Browse volumes by class

Each volume has been catalogued by the British Library into one of six classes. Choose a class to view a list of its volumes; the full list of all volumes in East India Company is also available.

Browse via chronology

The largely manuscript volumes that make up East India Company are best searched by date. Use the chronology to find the dates of key events in India and the wider Asian trading world between 1600 and 1947, then click through to a list of volumes covering those dates.

Browse via Government Structure Chart

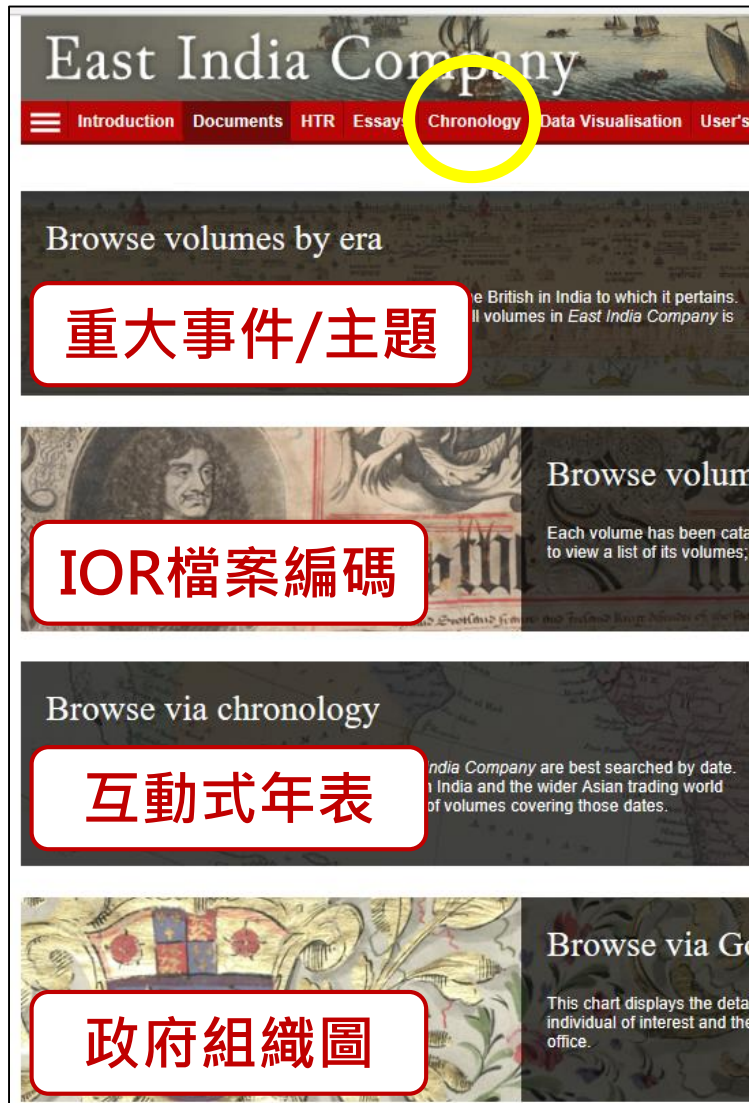
This chart displays the details of hundreds of prominent officials in Britain and India. Find an individual of interest and then use the chart to create a list of the volumes that cover his dates of office.

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Browse volumes by era

重大事件/主題

Browse volume

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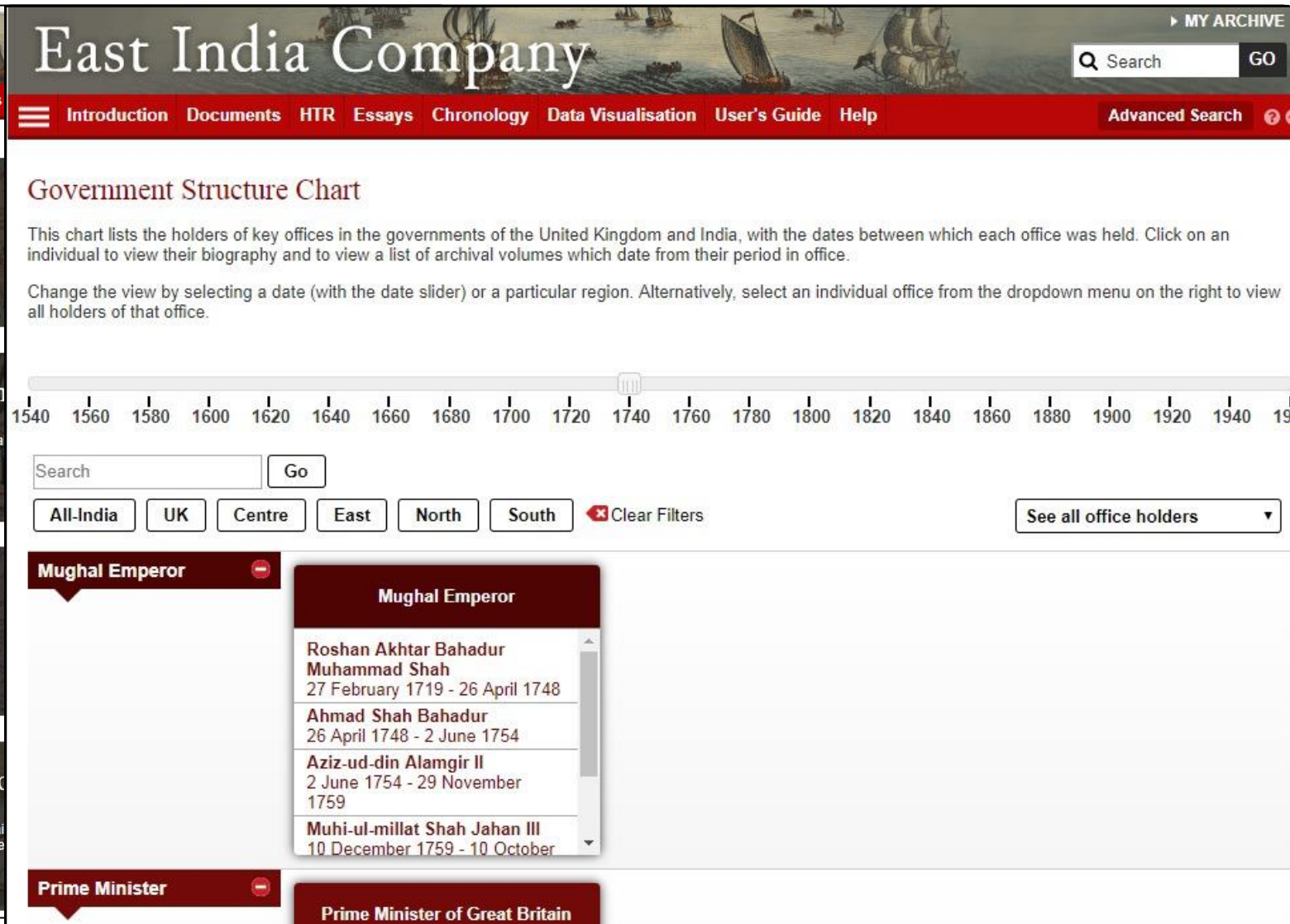
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互動式年表

Browse via Government Structure Chart

This chart displays the details of individual of interest and the office.

政府組織圖



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Advanced Search ?

Government Structure Chart

This chart lists the holders of key offices in the governments of the United Kingdom and India, with the dates between which each office was held. Click on an individual to view their biography and to view a list of archival volumes which date from their period in office.

Change the view by selecting a date (with the date slider) or a particular region. Alternatively, select an individual office from the dropdown menu on the right to view all holders of that office.

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Search Go

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See all office holders

Mughal Emperor

Roshan Akhtar Bahadur Muhammad Shah
27 February 1719 - 26 April 1748
Ahmad Shah Bahadur
26 April 1748 - 2 June 1754
Aziz-ud-din Alamgir II
2 June 1754 - 29 November 1759
Muhi-ul-millat Shah Jahan III
10 December 1759 - 10 October 1765

Prime Minister

Prime Minister of Great Britain

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The screenshot shows the East India Company archive website. The interface includes a navigation bar with links like 'Documents', 'HTR', 'Essays', 'Chronology', 'Data Visualisation', 'User's Guide', and 'Help'. A search bar is located in the top right. The main content area displays a list of documents with columns for Title, Date, Reference, and Module. On the left, there are filters for 'Document Type' and 'Region'. Annotations 1 through 6 highlight specific features: 1 points to the 'Browse by' filter, 2 points to the 'Document Type' filter, 3 points to the 'Region' filter, 4 points to the document title, 5 points to the document date, and 6 points to the document reference number.

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Advanced Search

Document Type options Browse by Era Browse by Class List View

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Document Type

Charter Commission Consultations Correspondence Diary Financial document Indenture Index Inventory Legal document List Manuscript volume Memorandum Minutes Newsletter Order Petition Printed book Public notice Report Statute Trading journal Treaty

Refined by: (none)

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Title Date Reference Module

Java: Relations between the Dutch and various states in the Eastern seas; compiled principally from the Dutch records at Batavia in 1818

1595-1818

IOR/G/21/1

Module Document Type Module Era

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Region

East Indies 東印度群島

Eastern India 印度東部

South-East Asia 東南亞

Southern India 印度南部

Western India 印度西部

Letters Patent of James I granting to the Governor and Company of

9 Aug 1606

IOR/A/1/3

Charter

- 1 依文件年代縮小檢索範圍
- 2 依文件類型縮小檢索範圍
- 3 以重大事件/主題、檔案編碼、地區縮小檢索範圍
- 4 文件標題、年代
- 5 顯示文件的檔案編碼(IOR)
- 6 顯示文件資訊，如文件類型

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The screenshot shows the 'East India Company' website interface. The top navigation bar includes links: Introduction, Documents, HTR, Essays, Chronology, Data Visualisation, User's Guide, and Help. A search bar is located on the right. Below the navigation bar, a row of document thumbnails is displayed. Annotations with arrows point to various features:

- 點選以瀏覽文件影像** (Click to view document image): Points to a thumbnail in the top row.
- 瀏覽下一份文件的簡介** (Browse next document introduction): Points to a thumbnail in the top row.
- 下載PDF** (Download PDF): Points to a thumbnail in the top row.
- 展開此份文件的介紹，如主題、文件類型等等。** (Expand this document introduction, such as topic, document type, etc.): Points to the 'Show details' button.
- 回到文件列表** (Return to document list): Points to the back arrow icon in the toolbar.

The toolbar contains the following options: Add to my archive, Download entire document as PDF, Download image range, Unpaginated, to, Unpaginated, GO, Citation / Export. Below the toolbar is a search bar labeled 'Search Handwritten text of this document' with a 'GO' button.

The main content area displays document details for the period '1 Jul 1646 - 2 Jul 1650' with reference 'IOR/B/22'. It includes sections for 'Contents' and 'Indexes'. A tooltip for the 'Contents' section states: 'Click on the content links to view the relevant sections of this volume.' The 'Indexes' section includes a tooltip: 'Click on a section to view the index for this volume. The index selected will be displayed in the right-hand window and the content can be navigated in the left-hand window.'

Date	Reference
1 Jul 1646 - 2 Jul 1650	IOR/B/22

Contents

- 1 Jul - 29 Dec 1646 - Minutes
- 5 Jan - 29 Jun 1647 - Minutes
- 2 Jul - 31 Dec 1647 - Minutes
- 7 Jan - 30 Jun 1648 - Minutes
- 4 Jul - 29 Dec 1648 - Minutes
- 3 Jan - 27 Jun 1649 - Minutes
- 4 Jul - 26 Dec 1649 - Minutes

Indexes

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分隔畫面影像瀏覽

使用者可同時觀看文件影像及其索引，有助提升瀏覽效率及辨識符合需求的文獻。
(左邊為文件影像，右邊為其索引)

The screenshot displays the 'East India Company' digital archive interface. The top navigation bar includes a search box and a 'GO' button. Below the header, the interface is split into two main panels. The left panel, titled 'Content', shows a document page from the 'Minutes of the Council of India Sep-Dec 1858'. It features a 'Content' tooltip that instructs users to select a page number to view quoted pages in the index. The right panel, titled 'Index', shows the index for the same volume, with a 'User's Guide' tooltip explaining that the main volume content is browsable in the left-hand window. The index is organized alphabetically from A to Z. The bottom of the interface shows the document title 'Minutes of the Council of India Sep-Dec 1858, Sep-Dec 1858, © The British Library Board'.

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Content

Select a page number here to view pages quoted in the index shown in the right-hand window.

User's Guide

Index

This window shows the index for this volume. The main volume content is browsable in the left-hand window.

User's Guide

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Minutes of the Council of India Sep-Dec 1858, Sep-Dec 1858, © The British Library Board

文獻瀏覽-互動式年表

The screenshot displays the 'East India Company' digital archive. At the top, a navigation bar includes links like 'Introduction', 'Documents', 'HTR', 'Essays', 'Chronology', 'Dissemination', 'User's Guide', and 'Help'. A search bar is also present. Below the navigation bar is a horizontal timeline from 1600 to 1950. A red circle with the number '1' highlights the timeline, which has a slider set to 1820. Below the timeline, the year '1820' is selected, and a red circle with the number '2' highlights the 'View volumes from this date' button. The main content area lists various historical documents and events for 1820, including 'The flow of silver between Britain and China reverses, due to the Chinese demand for opium in exchange for the precious metal.' and 'Insurance policy for £400 for goods shipped on the "Three Brothers" for a voyage from Macassar or Bantam to London'. A sidebar on the right contains filters for 'CATEGORY', 'ERA', 'REGION', and 'STORY', along with a search bar for 'SEARCH ENTRIES'.

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1600 1650 1700 1750 1800 1820 1850 1900 1950

1820

View volumes from this date

Story: The Opium Wars

The flow of silver between Britain and China reverses, due to the Chinese demand for opium in exchange for the precious metal.

Insurance policy for £400 for goods shipped on the "Three Brothers" for a voyage from Macassar or Bantam to London

Treaties, agreements, and engagements, between the Honourable East India Company and the native princes, chiefs, and states, in western India; the Red Sea; the Persian Gulf, &c.; also between Her Britannic Majesty's Government, and Persia, Portugal and Turkey

Index to Minutes of General Court of Proprietors (General Court Minutes, Elections of Directors), 1702 - 1846

Index to Minutes of General Court, 1702-1837

Sumatra: Miscellaneous Papers

Treaties, &c. between the East-India Company and the states bordering on the Presidency of Bombay

Memoranda and Papers laid before the Council of India, 1759-1876

Index to Dissents to Court Minutes, 1764-1858

Straits Settlements: Prince of Wales Island Public Consultations, Appendix, 1821

Treaties and engagements with native princes and states in India, concluded for the most part in the years 1817 and 1818

SEARCH ENTRIES

CATEGORY

ERA

REGION

STORY

Search and browse the chronology, then expand an entry to see volumes corresponding to the entry's date.

The volumes listed in this chronology are those that correspond to the date of the entry under which they are listed.

For tips on how to use this chronology to find archival volumes, please see our user's guide.

- 1 可拉動年表軸依年代瀏覽文獻內容
- 2 點選即展開該年代所有文獻

文獻瀏覽-政府組織圖



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William Petty
4 July 1782 - 2 April 1783
William Henry Cavendish
Cavendish-Bentinck
2 April 1783 - 19 December 1783

1540

Viceroy and Secretary of State

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Commander-in-Chief in India

Eyre Coote
March 1779 - April 1783
Giles Stibbert

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Warren Hastings

Born: 1732
Died: 1818

Held office from 1772 to 1785: [View Volumes from these dates](#)

Warren Hastings was the first Governor of Bengal to hold the Governor-Generalship, giving him superiority over his contemporaries in Madras and Bombay. He was born on 6 December 1732 in Oxfordshire. His tenure saw some major events in the history of British India including the expeditions to Bhutan and Tibet, the Anglo-Maratha Wars, the Rohilla Wars, the Tea Act, the establishment of an Opium Monopoly and the Regulating Act. In later life Warren Hastings faced an impeachment for his conduct in India. He was acquitted but financially ruined by the trial's costs. He died on 22 August 1818.

William Medows
6 September 1788 - 21 January 1790

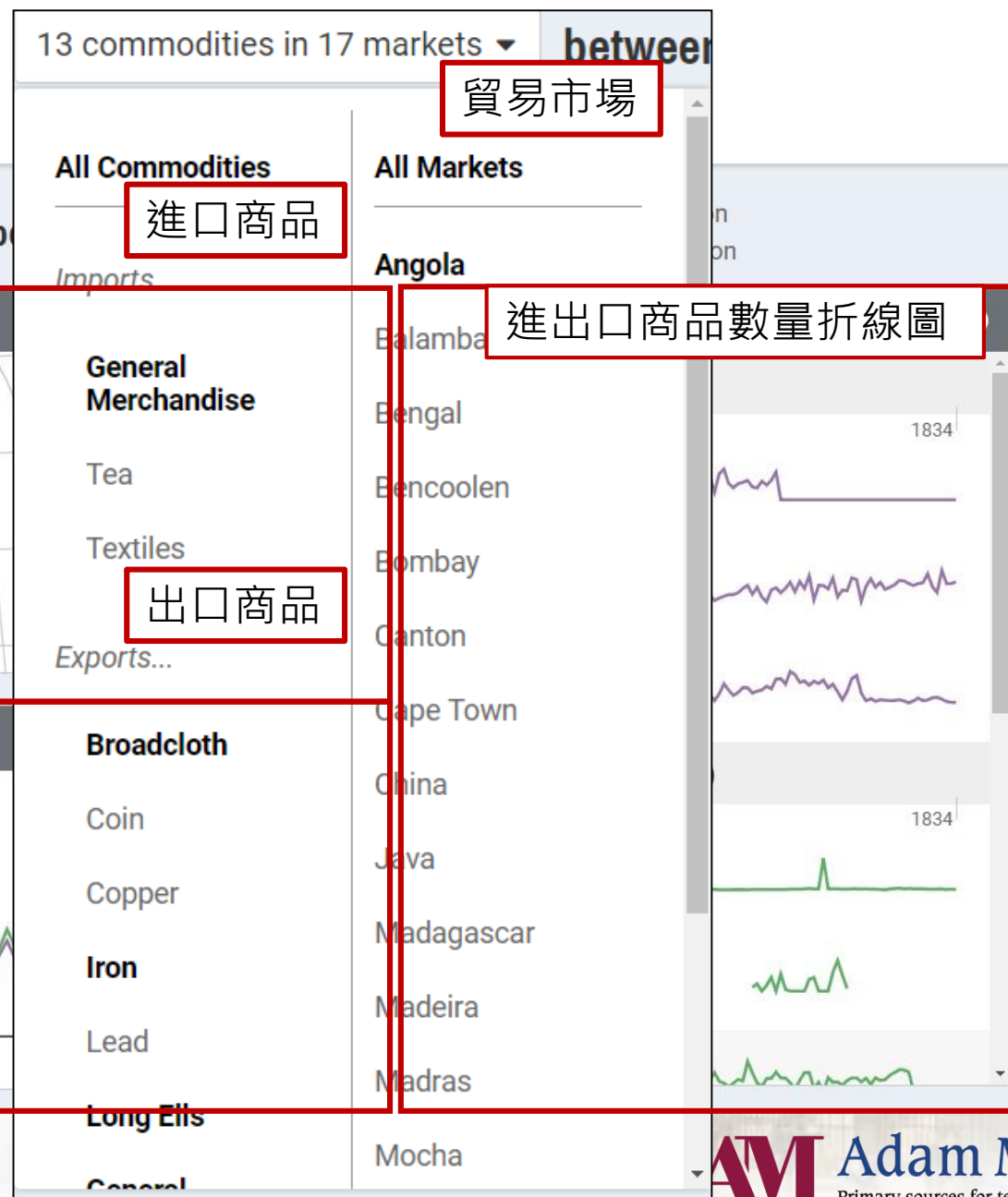
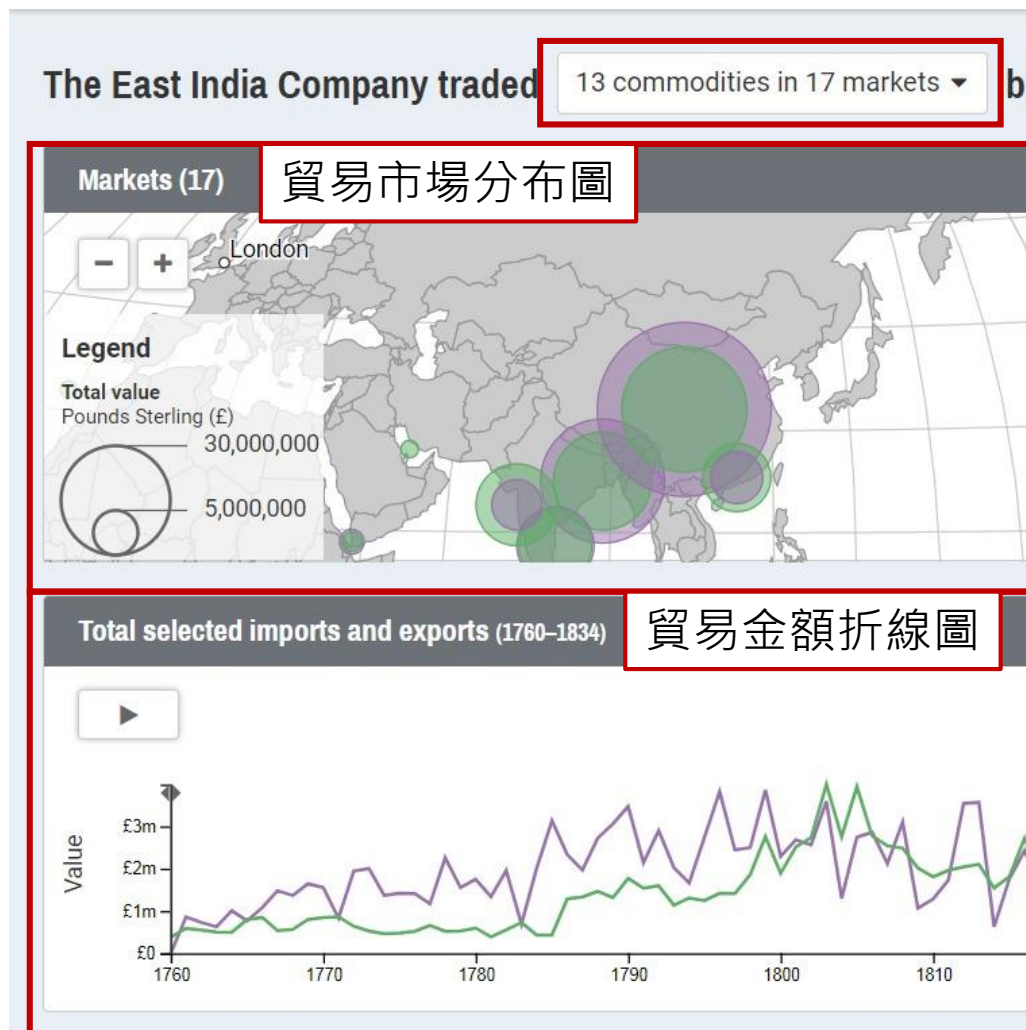
Charles Cornwallis
12 September 1786 - 28 October 1793

Robert Walpole
4 April 1721 - 11 February 1742

1 可依年代查詢該時期的英國首相、統治者及各殖民地總督等等。

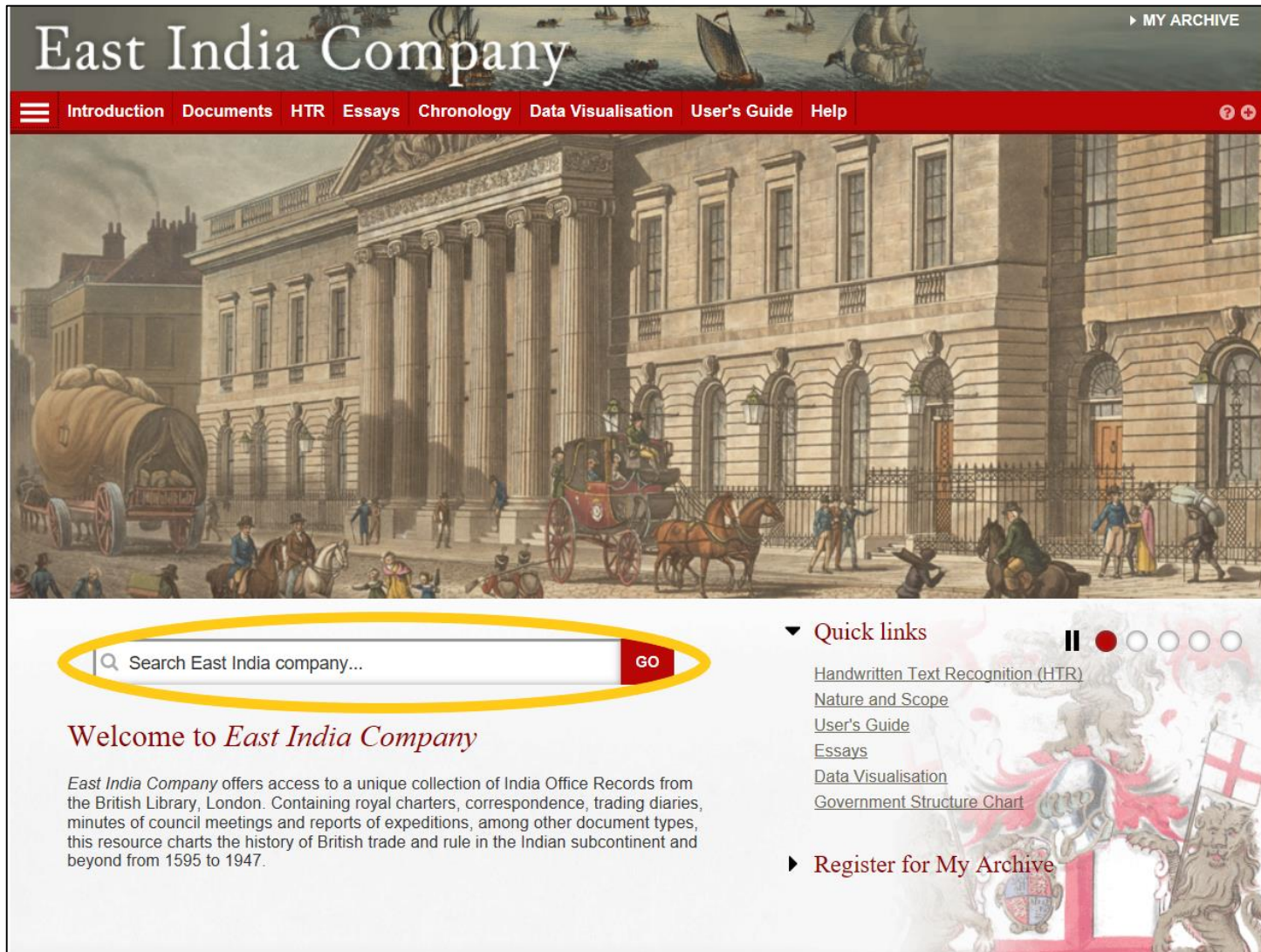
2 點選即展開該長官於殖民或領導期間所有的文件列表。

資料影像化



Searching in the database

基本檢索



- 可透過簡易搜尋的bar條用關鍵字搜尋整個資料庫
- 此種檢索方式只能搜尋到文獻的matadata或是紙本的文件
- 資料庫中含大量珍貴的手稿資料...

基本檢索

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TIP: Use the image thumbnail links below to view document pages in high-res.

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Title Printed volume containing copies of royal letters patent relating mainly to the union of the companies

Date 5 Sep 1698 - 14 Jan 1758

Reference IOR/A/2/4

Show details

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- [Charter Granted the Tenth Year of King William III - Charter](#)
- [Indenture Tripartite Between Queen Anne and the Two East India Companies - Indenture](#)
- [Quinque Partite Indenture of Conveyance of the Dead Stock - Indenture](#)
- [Earl of Godolphin's Award - Charter](#)
- [Grant of Perpetuity - Charter](#)
- [Queen Anne's Acceptance of the Surrender of the Charters - Charter](#)
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Indexes

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Search this printed document by typing a term in this box and clicking GO

- 建議使用者透過**文獻瀏覽**的方式搜尋資料
- 進入文獻檔案之後就可透過**手寫辨識技術**搜尋手寫的原稿
- 但是此項技術尚無法用於搜尋整個資料庫

進階檢索

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East India Company

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Search GO

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1 Advanced Search Search tips ✓

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Secondary Resources Search Aids

Search

- 1 可設定全文檢索、文件標題中檢索等等
- 2 提供布林邏輯之設定
- 3 提供單字推衍Word Stemming
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檢索結果

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