

There were nine deaths on the voyage, four being from diphtheria and the remainder from natural causes.

Since the arrival of the ship in port, one adult died on board from disease of the brain, and two children on the Island from diphtheria. Most of the families on Quarantine Island were removed yesterday and to-day, and the children of those who remain are now convalescent, and will be liberated in the course of a few days.

COLIN ALLAN,
DAVID O'DONNOGHUE, } Commissioners.
WM. THOMSON,

Under Secretary, Immigration Office, Wellington.

No. 16.

The Hon. Dr. POLLEN to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 278.)

SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 15th December, 1873.
I have the honor to forward copy of the report of the Immigration Commissioners at Port Chalmers upon the ship "Jessie Readman."

I have, &c.,

DANIEL POLLEN,
The Agent-General for New Zealand, London. (for Minister for Immigration).

Enclosure in No. 16.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Jessie Readman."

SIR,— Immigration Office, Dunedin, 5th December, 1873.

We have the honor to report that the ship "Jessie Readman" arrived in port on the 30th November, and the surgeon-superintendent having reported that measles and whooping-cough prevailed on the voyage, she was put into quarantine pending the meeting of the Board of Health, called for the 1st instant. The Board having met, decided that after a process of fumigation and proper medical inspection, the ship and immigrants should be admitted to pratique on same day.

The ship was immediately inspected by us, and she was clean, well ventilated, and fitted in the usual way. The immigrants on being mustered were unanimous in their expression of satisfaction at the treatment they had received on the voyage. The surgeon-superintendent, Dr. Thomas, seemed to have been indefatigable in his attention to the sick, and earned their hearty thanks.

There were ten deaths on the voyage, six from measles and whooping-cough, and the remainder from natural causes. Of the number, one was an adult and the others all infants.

We recommend the captain, surgeon-superintendent, and officers of the ship to receive the usual gratuities.

We have, &c.,

COLIN ALLAN,
WM. THOMSON, } Commissioners.
DAVID O'DONNOGHUE,

The Under Secretary for Immigration, Wellington.

No. 17.

(No. 279.)

The Hon. Dr. POLLEN to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,— Immigration Office, Wellington, 15th December, 1873.

I have the honor to forward copy of the report of the Immigration Commissioners at Port Chalmers upon the ship "Zealandia," which I am glad to see is of so satisfactory a character.

I have, &c.,

DANIEL POLLEN,
(for Minister for Immigration).

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

Enclosure in No. 17.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Zealandia."

SIR,— Immigration Office, Dunedin, 5th December, 1873.

We have the honor to report that the ship "Zealandia" arrived in port, from London, on 29th November, having made a passage of eighty-six days from pilot to pilot. She brought to the Province 217 souls, equal to 182 statute adults, all of whom expressed themselves as well satisfied with their treatment during the voyage.

We inspected the ship, and found her scrupulously clean in every compartment, and exceedingly well fitted. The Passengers Act was fully complied with in every respect. There were two deaths on the voyage, both being young children.

We recommend the Captain, surgeon-superintendent, and officers of the ship, to receive the usual gratuities.

We have, &c.,

COLIN ALLAN,
WM. THOMSON, } Commissioners.
DAVID O'DONNOGHUE,

The Under Secretary for Immigration, Wellington.