

The provisions were good and properly cooked, and the water, distilled by one of Chaplin's condensers, was of good quality and abundant. The immigrants by this ship are a superior class, and will readily meet with engagements.

We recommend that the usual gratuities be paid to the captain and his officers.

We have, &c.,

COLIN ALLAN.
DAVID O'DONNOGHUE.
WM. THOMSON.

His Honor the Superintendent of Otago.

No. 11.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 213.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, 28th July, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Stonehouse," which arrived at Lyttelton upon 29th June, 1874:—

- (1.) Immigration Commissioners' report.
- (2.) Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.

I have, &c.,
JULIUS VOGEL.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

Enclosure in No. 11.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Stonehouse."

THE Commissioners report the arrival of this ship, 29th June, 1874, eighty-two days out from Plymouth. Twenty-two deaths were reported, mostly of young children. The health of the immigrants on inspection was generally good. The general cleanliness, moderate. The immigrants were satisfied with the arrangements of the ship; the provisions had been regularly served, and were of good quality. The single women were well reported of, and their appearance was, on the whole, satisfactory. The bath-room and closet were in good order. The single-men's compartment was dark and damp. During the detention at Plymouth it was reported that unrestricted intermixture of men and women was permitted.

WM. DONALD,
JOHN F. ROUSE, } Commissioners.
J. E. MARCH,

Lyttelton, 23rd July, 1874.

No. 12.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 214.)

SIR,—

Wellington, N.Z., 28th July, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Loch Awe," which arrived at Auckland upon the 22nd ultimo:—

1. Report of the Immigration Commissioners,
2. Report of the Immigration Officer.
3. Certified list of births and deaths.
4. Report of Commissioners and correspondence with the Immigration Officer, relative to complaints of misconduct on the part of the surgeon-superintendent, in consequence of which, as you will observe, that officer was not paid the customary gratuity of £50.

I have, &c.,
JULIUS VOGEL.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

Enclosure in No. 12.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Loch Awe."

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Auckland, 1st July, 1874.

We have the honor to report that we have made the usual inspection on the 23rd ultimo of the ship "Loch Awe," and that we found the ship, crew, and passengers in a cleanly and healthy condition. The stores of all kinds were of excellent quality, and the supply abundant. Also a sufficiency of good fresh water was maintained throughout the voyage, principally by means of a powerful condenser on board. The 'tween-decks accommodation of this vessel is above the average; the immigrants' apartments are wholesome and roomy, and the ventilation throughout appears to have been very effective.

Complaints in several instances having been lodged against the surgeon-superintendent, which have since been made the subject of a separate inquiry, we are precluded here from expressing any opinion with respect to the gratuities payable to him; but with this exception, we beg to