No. 15.

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

(No. 223.)

Immigration Office, Wellington, 30th July, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the SIR, ship "Hindostan," which arrived at Port Chalmers upon the 13th July :-

1. Immigration Commissioners' report. 2. Certified list of births and deaths.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

I have, &c., JULIUS VOGEL.

Enclosure in No. 15.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Hindostan."

Port Chalmers, 14th July, 1874. SIR,— We have the honor to report that the ship "Hindostan" arrived in port from London on the 13th instant, after a passage of 107 days. She brought to our shores 343 souls, equal to 278 statute adults, who, with few exceptions, appear to be suitable for the requirements of the colony. There were three births and four deaths, the latter being three infants and one adult.

The ship, on being immediately inspected, was found to be well fitted, and ventilated by hatchways and side scuttles. The compartments were evidently kept very clean throughout the voyage. The usual questions being asked in the several compartments visited, the immigrants, with one solitary exception, expressed themselves as fully satisfied with their treatment, and spoke in laudatory terms of the kindness and attention of Dr. Withers, surgeon-superintendent, to their varied wants. One of the immigrants, who had evidently proved troublesome on the voyage, would have bred a disturbance had he got others to join him. He complained that the provisions were not properly cooked; but the Commissioners, on investigating the matter, found the complaint frivolous and without proper foundation.

The hospitals, bath-rooms, and closets were inspected, and found in good order. The condenser (Graveley's) did its work well, and the cooking range was equal to its requirements. We believe that the requirements of the Passengers Act and the charter-party were fully complied with. Captain White and his officers appear to have performed their duties faithfully, and we have pleasure in recommending that their gratuities be paid to them.

The extra stores put on board for children were used on the passage.

We have, &c., COLIN ALLAN.

Wm. Thomson. DAVID O'DONNOGHUE.

His Honor the Superintendent of Otago.

No. 16.

The Hon. J. Vogel to the Agent-General.

(No. 224.)

Immigration Office, Wellington, 31st July, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit the following documents relative to the ship "Northampton," SIR. which arrived at Lyttelton upon the 6th June ultimo, and was placed in quarantine in consequence of fever and small-pox having prevailed during the passage:-

 Report of the Immigration Officer upon the arrival of the ship.
 Report of the Immigration Commissioners of the inspection after her admission to pratique. I have, &c.,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

Julius Vogel.

Enclosure in No. 16.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Northampton."

Lyttelton, 14th July, 1874.

This ship arrived June 6th, 1874, seventy-two days out from Plymouth. A modified form of small-pox had prevailed. Vessel put in quarantine; immigrants placed in lazaret at Ripa Island.

The Commissioners recommend the payment of the usual gratuities.

Wm. Donald. JOHN F. ROUSE. J. E. MARCH.

I examined this ship after departure of passengers, and after fumigation. The arrangements on board were quite satisfactory.

W. D.

No. 17.

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration to the Agent-General.

Immigration Office, Wellington, 7th August, 1874. I have the honor to transmit to you herewith the following documents relative to the ship "Halcione," which arrived at Napier upon the 10th ultimo :-

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