

No. 21.

The Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 238.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 24th August, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Peter Denny," which arrived at Port Chalmers upon the 26th ultimo:—

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. 21.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Peter Denny."

Port Chalmers, 1st August, 1874.

SIR,—

We have the honor to report that the ship "Peter Denny" arrived in port from London on the 26th ultimo, with Government immigrants, numbering 363 souls, equal to 301½ statute adults. There were three births and three deaths on the passage. The ship came into port in fine order, being unusually clean in every compartment, which reflects credit upon Dr. Button, the surgeon-superintendent, who seems to have been indefatigable in his efforts to promote the health of all on board. The general health of the immigrants was good throughout the voyage, no disease of any infectious or contagious nature having appeared on board.

The ship was well fitted and very fairly ventilated by deck ventilators. The immigrants, without a dissenting voice, expressed themselves as being fully satisfied with their treatment. We are satisfied that the provisions of the Passengers Act were complied with to the letter. The master and his officers performed their respective duties to the immigrants faithfully, and we have pleasure in recommending that they be paid their respective gratuities.

We have, &c.,
COLIN ALLAN.
WM. THOMSON.
DAVID O'DONNOGHUE.

His Honor the Deputy Superintendent of Otago.

No. 22.

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

(No. 239.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 25th August, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Miltiades," which arrived at Auckland upon the 23rd ultimo:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.
2. Immigration Officer's report.
3. Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.
4. Correspondence relative to the disposal of a family named Joy, who stated that they had shipped for Taranaki, although their contract ticket showed Auckland to be their final destination.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

I have, &c.,
JULIUS VOGEL.

Enclosure in No. 22.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Miltiades."

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Auckland, 31st July, 1874.

We have the honor to report that we made the usual inspection in the case of the ship "Miltiades" on the 24th instant, the morning after her arrival in port. We found the immigrants as a body in a satisfactory state of health. Indeed, the condition of the ship throughout, both in respect to cleanliness and good order, is highly creditable to Captain Perrett and his officers; the surgeon-superintendent, Dr. Harding; and the employés of all grades acting under their orders. The "Miltiades" in every way may be considered a very superior ship; her passenger accommodation for the service in which she has been engaged is of a high order, her 'tween-decks are roomy and well lighted, and the fitting up of the sleeping apartments of the immigrants has been carried out in an efficient manner. The ventilation of the ship, also, was all that could be desired.

Ten deaths in all occurred during the voyage out of a total of nearly 500 souls on board, inclusive of immigrants and the ship's company. Nine of the deaths were of children under four years of age, and about two-thirds of these were infants under four months old. The only adult whose death is recorded was an old man over sixty years of age, who died of pneumonia, accelerated by heart disease. There were six births during the voyage.

We found the stores on board the "Miltiades" of the best description, which, as well as the supply of fresh water, were sufficient for all purposes. The ship is fitted with a powerful condenser, in good working order. The whole of the passengers expressed themselves well satisfied with the treatment they had received throughout the voyage.