

Enclosure in No. 36.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Euterpe."

SIR,—

Wellington, 7th September, 1874.

We have the honor to report the arrival of the ship "Euterpe" on the 30th ultimo, with 330½ statute adults, including one stowaway, whose parents were on board. There were two deaths, equal to half an adult, and six births during the voyage. Early on the 31st we inspected the ship and immigrants, and were pleased to find the people so well and contented after their long voyage of 123 days.

The single women were berthed partly in the saloon and partly in the 'tween decks; the entrance to their compartment being the after gangway, near the wheel; this we consider a very great improvement, as it obviates the necessity of the girls going on the main deck to reach their compartment. The hospital, bath-room, and water-closet were good, and the compartment was clean and well ventilated. The matron seemed to be well suited for her work, and was highly spoken of by the surgeon-superintendent and captain. The single men had a comfortable, clean, and well-lighted compartment forward. The married people were in the middle of the vessel. This compartment was also in good order. The hospital was an exceedingly convenient one, under the poop. The only thing we have to condemn in this vessel was the position of the dispensary, with reference to which we would direct attention to the remarks of the surgeon-superintendent, which are appended hereto. The galley was convenient, and well suited for the requirements of the passengers; but we were informed that the condenser could not make a sufficient quantity of water to enable the passengers to have their daily allowance in full. The captain, therefore, very wisely decided upon calling at Simon's Bay for a supply of water.

The immigrants seem to be a fine healthy lot of people, and on being questioned they stated they had no complaints whatever to prefer. In conclusion, we recommend the payment of all gratuities, and we consider that Captain Phillips and Surgeon-Superintendent Bligh have faithfully performed the duties intrusted to them. We append summary of the voyage by Dr. Bligh, to which we would direct your attention.

We have, &c.,

ALEXANDER JOHNSTON, M.D.

H. J. H. ELIOTT.

JOHN HOLLIDAY.

His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

No. 37.

The Hon. E. RICHARDSON to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 284.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 25th September, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Carisbrooke Castle," which arrived at Lyttelton upon the 2nd instant:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.
2. Surgeon-Superintendent's report.
3. Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.

I have, &c.,

EDWARD RICHARDSON,

(in the absence of the Minister for Immigration).

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

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IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Carisbrooke Castle."

THE Commissioners report the arrival of this ship on the 2nd instant, after a passage of ninety-four days from Gravesend. Shortly after leaving, measles broke out on board, and the surgeon is convinced that it was brought on board from the dépôt. The Commissioners requested a full report from him. During the passage there had been five births and twenty-five deaths; of these eight were infants, fifteen were children of two years and under, one a child aged four, and one a child aged five years.

This ship was specially chartered by the Agent-General; the arrangements of the various compartments were excellent, and the light and ventilations all that could be desired. The provisions had been good, served out regularly, and no complaints of any kind were made. The distilling apparatus had worked very satisfactorily. The immigrants spoke highly of the kindness they had received from the captain, surgeon-superintendent, and officers of the ship. The Commissioners recommend payment of full gratuities, and the further employment of the surgeon-superintendent, should he desire it.

WM. DONALD.

J. F. ROUSE.

J. E. MARCH.

Lyttelton, September, 1874.

No. 38.

The Hon. H. A. ATKINSON to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 294.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 12th October, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of the Immigration Commissioners' report upon the ship "Parsee," which arrived at Port Chalmers upon the 4th ultimo.

I have, &c.,

H. A. ATKINSON.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.