

satisfied with the treatment they had received on board. The "Howrah" is a fine ship, and the arrangements made for the accommodation of the immigrants were very satisfactory. The provisions and water were good and ample. The condenser worked well all the voyage, and averaged from 250 to 300 gallons. The crew and passengers have been regularly mustered for fire drill every week. We recommend with much satisfaction the payment of all the usual gratuities.

We have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration,
Wellington.

LEONARD BOOB.
ALFRED GREENFIELD.
JAMES S. CROSS.

Enclosure 2 in No. 9.

IMMIGRATION OFFICER'S REPORT on Ship "HOWRAH."

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 1st December, 1876.

I have the honor to report the arrival of the "Howrah" on the 18th November, after landing and transshipping most of her immigrants at Nelson. There were seventy-seven adults—eighty-eight souls brought on here. The ship was boarded by Captain Holliday and myself shortly after arrival. The vessel having been officially inspected by the Commissioners in Nelson, it was not necessary to have a medical inspection. I was sorry to find on mustering the immigrants that a married woman named W—— had died of consumption since the ship left Nelson; she belonged to one of three families sent out by the Colonist's Aid Corporation. Fortunately a Mrs. W—— had no family, and she kindly arranged to take charge of W——'s two young children. The three families were afterwards forwarded to Feilding. The "Moa" was sent alongside by the agents of the New Zealand Shipping Company, as I had arranged to land the immigrants and their luggage at once, which was accordingly done. I have paid the gratuities to the captain, officers, and surgeon of the ship, as directed by a memorandum from the Acting Under Secretary. I should not feel justified in recommending the doctor for another ship. He appears to be unequal to the numerous duties required of a surgeon-superintendent on board an immigrant ship, especially if sickness should break out.

I have, &c.,

H. Bunny, Esq., Wellington.

JAMES B. REDWARD,
Acting Immigration Officer.

No. 10.

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

(No. 261.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 15th December, 1876.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the "Dunedin," which vessel arrived at Port Chalmers upon 19th November ultimo:—1. Immigration Commissioners' report. 2. Certified list of births and deaths.

I will address you further with reference to the surgeon-superintendent by the next mail.

I have, &c.,

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Enclosure in No. 10.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "DUNEDIN."

SIR,—

Port Chalmers, 6th December, 1876.

We have the honor to report that the ship "Dunedin," with Government immigrants from Glasgow, arrived in port on the 19th November, having made a passage of eighty-four days. The report as to the state of health on board being handed to us, we learned that there were forty cases of measles under treatment during the passage, and nine deaths, three of which were directly and two indirectly traceable to the disease. On the recommendation of the medical member of the Commission, the ship was placed in quarantine, and the matter reported to the Colonial Secretary, as President of the Central Board of Health. The Board decided that the whole of the immigrants, with the exception of the cabin passengers, be removed to the Quarantine Station, and that the ship be thoroughly cleaned and fumigated, with a view to her being released on an early day. The families and single women were conveyed to the station on the 21st November, and the single men to Goat Island Station on the following day. The surgeon-superintendent, Dr. Stenhouse, reported that an infant had been attacked with measles on the 22nd, and that he immediately removed the family and child to the hospital. It proved to be a very mild attack. The captain of the ship having reported that he had fully and faithfully complied with the instructions given to him, authority was asked by the Superintendent of Quarantine to allow the ship to be released, and she was admitted to pratique accordingly on the 24th, when we boarded her for our official inspection. The several compartments were well fitted and clean, and the ventilation very good. Authority having been received from the President of the Central Board, on the certificate of the Superintendent of Quarantine, the single men on Goat Island were admitted to pratique on the 27th ultimo, and the married men without families and single women on the 28th ultimo, and conveyed to Caversham depot. The remaining families numbering 71½ adults, were kept in quarantine for fourteen additional days, being the period allowed for the incubation of the disease, and as no fresh case broke out, authority was asked for and received to admit them to pratique on the 4th instant, which was accordingly done. A written complaint made by an immigrant named D—— G—— against Dr. Stenhouse, surgeon-superintendent, for alleged