

No. 24.

MEMORANDUM No. 35, 1872, for the AGENT-GENERAL, LONDON.

YOUR letter of the 4th October last, covering a report by Mr. H. W. Farnall, who has apparently been acting as emigration agent at Belfast, has been duly received.

I cannot but regard the feeble attempt that has been made under the management of Mr. Farnall to open up a supply of immigration from Ireland as eminently unsatisfactory. That gentleman appears to have been nearly three months in Ireland, and the result of his labours, as shown in his correspondence, is that during that period he has forwarded twenty-three emigrants. What has been the total expense connected with the introduction of these twenty-three emigrants it would be hard to calculate, and probably painful to contemplate if calculated. The Government are thoroughly satisfied that an adequate supply of immigrants is procurable from Ireland.

If you are unable yourself or by your officers to obtain the supply that is required, I have to instruct you to put yourself in communication with Her Majesty's Emigration Commissioners, with a view to ascertaining upon what terms they will undertake to forward the number of emigrants required to be supplied from Ireland.

It is understood that Her Majesty's Emigration Commissioners have agents in all parts of the United Kingdom, and it will be well for you to consider whether their services cannot be turned to much greater account than has hitherto been the case. Personally, the conviction is forced upon my mind, partly from observation of working of the existing system, and partly as the result of experience in Australia, that our supply of immigration would have been greater, the character of the immigrants certainly not inferior, and the shipping arrangements far superior, if the co-operation of Her Majesty's Emigration Commissioners had been obtained.

The Government will be glad to receive your report upon this subject.

G. M. WATERHOUSE,

(in absence of the Hon. Minister for Immigration).

Immigration Office, Wellington, 5th December, 1872.

No. 25.

MEMORANDUM No. 36, 1872, for the AGENT-GENERAL, LONDON.

HEREWITH I beg to forward for your information copies of correspondence enumerated in the annexed schedule.

G. M. WATERHOUSE,

(in absence of Hon. Minister for Immigration).

Immigration Office,

Wellington, New Zealand, 6th December, 1872.

SCHEDULE of CORRESPONDENCE forwarded to the Agent-General in Memorandum No. 36, of the 6th December, 1872.

1. Immigration Officer's Report on disposal of immigrants per "Lady Jocelyn."
2. Letter from Immigration Officer, Christchurch, forwarding copy of extract from Surgeon's Diary of the "Lady Jocelyn," also Schoolmaster's Report.
3. Immigration Officer's Report on arrival of "Queen Bee" in Auckland.

Enclosure 1 in No. 25.

Immigration Office,

Christchurch, Canterbury, N.Z., 22nd November, 1872.

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward herewith my report on the disposal of the immigrants per ship "Lady Jocelyn."

I have, &c.,

J. E. MARCH,

Immigration Officer.

The Under Secretary for Immigration, Wellington.

Sub-Enclosure to Enclosure 1 in No. 25.

IMMIGRATION OFFICER'S REPORT on Immigrants per "Lady Jocelyn."

Date of Arrival.—11th November.

Number Landed.—21 families = 61½ statute adults
 24 single men = 24 "
 43½ single women = 43½ "

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 Total, 154 souls = 129 "

NOTE.—Eight of the single women were Otago immigrants, and were forwarded to Dunedin by the steamer at the expense of the agents of the ship.

In addition to the twenty-four single men mentioned above, this ship brought fifty-two navvies and railway labourers under engagement to Mr. Brogden. These were also forwarded to Otago at the ship's expense.