

## No. 103.

MEMORANDUM No. 129, 1873, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

HEREWITH is forwarded copy of the report of the Commissioners upon the ship "Michael Angelo," which vessel arrived at Port Chalmers on the 28th May. Copy of a report by Dr. O'Donoghue, the medical member of the Commission, is also enclosed.

Immigration Office, Wellington, 2nd July, 1873.

G. MAURICE O'ROKKE.

## Enclosure 1 in No. 103.

REPORT by IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS on Ship "Michael Angelo."

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Dunedin, 2nd June, 1873.

We have the honor to report that the ship "Michael Angelo" arrived in port on the 21st May, having made the passage from London in eighty-six days. She brought Government immigrants equal to 136½ statute adults, 72½ of the number being for Canterbury.

The immigrants arrived in excellent health, there being very little sickness and no deaths on the passage.

The whole of the passengers expressed themselves as fully satisfied with their treatment on board, the provisions being good, and the water abundant.

We have, &amp;c.

COLIN ALLAN.

WM. THOMSON.

DAVID O'DONOGHUE.

The Under Secretary, Immigration Office, Wellington.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Dunedin, 2nd June, 1873.

We hereby testify that the captain and officers of the ship "Michael Angelo" have performed their duties most satisfactorily on the voyage from London to Otago, and that they are entitled to the gratuities assigned to them.

We have, &amp;c.,

COLIN ALLAN,

DAVID O'DONOGHUE,

WM. THOMSON,

Commissioners.

The Under Secretary, Immigration Office, Wellington.

## Enclosure 2 in No. 103.

*In Re* Ship "Michael Angelo."

As an opportunity was not afforded me of examining any other, I can speak only as to that portion of vessel allotted to the married folks. It was a dark, comfortless, midships section, with no side-lights. The passengers complained of its being wet, and insufficiently lighted at night.

The hospital in this compartment was damp, badly ventilated, and dark. One patient (just after confinement) stated that it was always wet, and frequently had some inches of water on the floor (deck). It was undoubtedly badly situated for its proper purpose, and in event of disease breaking out, would (under the circumstances reported) have been useless.

The surgeon stated that a mild attack of measles occurred during the voyage; that he was insufficiently supplied, amongst other things, with night-light candles; that the captain lent him every assistance. I heard no complaints about the officers of the ship.

Speaking generally, though there was no sickness on board, and the passage was so far successful, I am of opinion that the vessel might have presented a cleaner appearance, considering the small number of passengers she brought out.

DAVID O'DONOGHUE,

Immigration Commissioner.

## No. 104.

MEMORANDUM No. 130, 1873, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

REFERRING to my Memorandum No. 28, of the 14th February last, I forward herewith for your information, copy of a further correspondence with His Honor the Superintendent of Auckland, with reference to the proposed Moravian Settlement to be established at the Victoria Valley, Mongonui.

Immigration Office, Wellington, 21st June, 1873.

G. MAURICE O'ROKKE.

## Enclosure 1 in No. 104.

His Honor T. B. GILLIES to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Auckland, 21st February, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 14th inst., covering Memorandum by the Minister for Immigration, and in reply to my letter of 30th December last, and previous correspondence as to the formation of a Moravian settlement at the Victoria Valley, near Mongonui.

I regret to find that the authority given to the Agent-General to grant free passages to immigrants seems to have been limited to a discretionary authority to that effect, to enable him "in case of