

## No. 90.]

MEMORANDUM No. 140, 1873, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

REFERRING to Memorandum No. 110, of the 3rd June last, I herewith transmit three complete copies of the articles of agreement entered into between the Government and the "New Zealand Shipping Company (Limited)," on the 26th day of June last.

Immigration Office,  
Wellington, New Zealand, 5th July, 1873.

G. MAURICE O'RORKE.

P.S.—Agreement printed as a separate paper.

## No. 91.

MEMORANDUM No. 142, 1873, for the AGENT-GENERAL, London.

HEREWITH I forward for your information copy of the Immigration Officer's report upon the Canterbury portion of the immigrants by the ship "Michael Angelo."

Immigration Office,  
Wellington, New Zealand, 5th July, 1873.

G. MAURICE O'RORKE.

## Enclosure in No. 91.

IMMIGRATION OFFICER'S REPORT on Canterbury portion of Immigrants per ship "Michael Angelo."

*Date of Arrival.*—31st May 1873.

*Number Landed.*—9 families = 24½ statute adults.  
22 single men = 22        "  
19 single women = 19        "

Total, 77 souls = 65½        "

*Number Engaged.*—All who were open for engagement found immediate employment. There were only three single women for service when the barracks were opened for engagements. A number who had been nominated joined their friends on arrival. Five single women and two single men, who were down in the ship's books as Canterbury immigrants, remained at Dunedin.

*Character of Immigrants.*—Good, and well suited to the wants of the Province.

*What Wages were given.*

Married Couples—

£50 to £60 per annum and found.

Single Men—

Farm labourers, £38 per annum and found.

Carpenters, 8s. per day.

Plumbers and glaziers, 10s. per day.

Tailors, 10s. per day.

Single Women—

Domestic servants, £20 to £25.

*Present Demand of the Labour Market.*

The demand for single women remains as before. The three engaged from this ship were not first-class servants; the wages therefore are rather lower than usual.

The supply of single men and married couples for farm work by this ship was not at all proportionate to the demand, there being only four farm labourers and two general labourers for engagement; a very much larger number would readily have found employment. The tradesmen, including three carpenters, one painter, one tailor, one plumber, and one bricklayer, were immediately engaged at good wages, the demand being very brisk.

Immigration Office, Christchurch, 2nd July, 1873.

J. E. MARCH,  
Immigration Officer.