

No. 32.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(No. 788.) 7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,
 SIR,— 13th June, 1873.

I have the honor to forward herewith, for the information of the Government, two tabular statements, viz.,—

I. Analysis of the Cost of Emigration to New Zealand for the period commencing 1st June, 1871, and ending 31st March, 1873.

II. Analysis of the Cost of Emigrant Ships from London to New Zealand from the 13th April, 1872, to the 21st March, 1873.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Agent-General.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington, N.Z.

Enclosure in No. 32.

NEW ZEALAND EMIGRATION.

ANALYSIS of COST for period from 1st JUNE, 1871, to 31st MARCH, 1873.

1. *Contract Rate*:—

565 Adults at £14 15s.	...	Canterbury ships, 1871.
127½ Adults—46½ at £14, 81 at £13 13s.,	}	Wellington ships, 1871.
average, £13 15s. 6½d.		
26½ Adults at £14 10s.	...	Clyde ships, December, 1871, and February, 1872.
63½ Adults at £13 13s.	...	Canterbury ships, January, 1872.
91 Adults at £14 5s.	...	Clyde Emigration, April, 1872.
469 Adults—110 at £14 and 359 at £10,	}	German emigration, 1872.
average, £10 18s. 9d.		
292½ Adults at £12.	...	Norwegian (direct) ship, 1872.
5,012 Adults at £13.	...	Ships from London, 1872-73.
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6,647 Total.		

2. Average contract rate per adult, or total cost, £12 19s. 9½d.

3. Average cost per adult, deducting cash payments, or present cost, £11 5s. 1d.

4. Average cost per adult, deducting cash payments and promissory notes and bills given by the emigrants, £8 8s. 0½d.

5. Average cost per adult, deducting cash payments, promissory notes and bills given by emigrants, and promissory notes given by Messrs. Brogden, or final cost, £5 13s. 2½d.

12th June, 1873.

ANALYSIS of COST of SHIPS from LONDON, from 13th APRIL, 1872, to 21st MARCH, 1873.

1. Contract rate per adult, Messrs. Shaw, Saville, and Co., contractors, £13.

2. Average cost per adult, deducting cash payments, or present cost, £11 5s. 6¼d.

3. Average cost per adult, deducting cash payments and promissory notes and bills given by emigrants, £8 16s. 5¼d.

4. Average cost per adult, deducting cash payments, promissory notes and bills given by emigrants, and promissory notes given by Messrs. Brogden, or final cost, £5 3s. 7¼d.

Number of adults, 5,012.

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Referring to the Hon. Mr. O'Rorke's Memorandum of 12th April (No. 59, 1873), I have to express my gratification that the Government have at length taken legal proceedings to enforce the conditions of the contract in the case of the "Glenlora."

With reference to the complaint that "The repeated remonstrances of Mr. Waterhouse and myself with regard to the inefficient inspection of ships and selection of emigrants, are not only not attended to, but seem not to be considered worthy of notice in your correspondence," I trust that you will find, from my letters despatched by previous mails, that not only is this charge entirely unfounded, but that I have carried out all your instructions in regard to emigration, although many of them were, in my opinion, extremely injudicious and ill-advised, and for giving effect to which I do not hold myself responsible.

I have, &c.,

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