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IMMIGRATION.

(FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE.)

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by command of His Excellency.

No. 1.

The Hon. J. Vogel to the Agent-General.

(Telegram.) Wellington, 27th July, 1874. "Halcione," "Hindostan," "Cartsburn," "Waikato," "Hereford," "Monarch," "Caroline," "Sussex," "Carrick," "Winchester," "Peeress," "Miltiades," "Bahn." Send all nominated emigrants you approve, though number exceed limits. VOGEL.

Featherston, London.

No. 2.

The DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT, Otago, to Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Province of Otago, New Zealand,

Superintendent's Office, Dunedin, 12th August, 1874. SIR,— I have the honor to forward for the information of the Government, copies of letters received

from Mr. James Adam, Provincial Immigration Agent for this Province, with reference to emigration from Britain.

I have, &с., Т. S. Воур,

The Hon. Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

Deputy Superintendent.

Enclosure 1 in No. 2.

Mr. J. Adam to the Provincial Secretary, Otago.

Edinburgh, 25th April, 1874. SIR,—

I have the honor to acquaint you that a great many persons have been seeing me in reference to emigration, both in Aberdeen and Edinburgh.

I am sorry to say that a great part of my time has been employed in rejecting those who received schedules from sub-agents in various parts of Britain. A more unsuitable class of emigrants for a new country it is difficult to imagine, and yet these are the very persons who crowd forward in the greatest numbers. During the last three days I rejected 113 applicants of this class.

The May and June ships have now a full complement of emigrants. It would have been well if a second ship could have been despatched in June, as it is the term; but P. Henderson and Co. have been unable to get an extra vessel for that month, although requested to do so by our Agent.

I am sorry to find that a sub-agent in Ireland has turned over to the Agent-General all the

rejected applicants of this office. I have written to Dr. Featherston to see if this cannot be rectified, but have got no answer.

The principle is bad on which sub-agents are paid; it is a mere question of numbers with some of them, and entails a most rigid supervision.

I have had an advertisement in the principal papers in Edinburgh for 500 women, which has been responded to as well as I expected; for even in this country domestic servants are not easily got—they all want to be shop-girls now-a-days.