

The ship "Ganges" will be despatched from Cork with about 400 Irish emigrants on the 2nd November, and we purpose despatching the "Bombay" from this port with English emigrants on 22nd November; and Mr. Clark has engaged the ship "Viola" to sail from the Clyde about same time. The Bombay will carry about 340 emigrants.

To equalise as far as possible the sexes, we forward a considerable number of unmarried females, per "Ganges." The great majority of these intend remaining in Auckland, and it is with this understanding that we give them free passages. We have no difficulty whatever in getting any number of young men, unmarried; and probably we shall in future have to send a greater number of these in every ship. It is almost impossible in taking families to confine the children under ten years to a reasonable number; in almost all cases they exceed the limit of two in each family under that age.

We take the liberty of suggesting that some previous arrangement should be made for facilitating the unmarried females per "Ganges" in obtaining situations as soon as possible after arriving at Auckland. There are seventy in number going by that vessel, and if a committee of Auckland ladies would interest themselves in this matter it would be of very great importance.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,
Auckland, New Zealand.

We have, &c.,

WM. S. GRAHAME,
JOHN MORRISON,
New Zealand Government Emigration Board.

Enclosure 1 to No. 3.

NEW ZEALAND EMIGRATION BOARD TO HER MAJESTY'S EMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS.

Office of the New Zealand Government Emigration Board,
3, Adelaide Place, London Bridge,

GENTLEMEN,—

London, 25th August, 1864.

We have the honor to request that in accordance with the understanding existing between Her Majesty's Emigration Commissioners and the Hon. Reader Wood, Colonial Treasurer of New Zealand, you will have the goodness to nominate a Surgeon-Superintendent to each of the two following ships, chartered by us for the conveyance of emigrants to Auckland, New Zealand,—viz., the "Helenslee," 796 tons, Brown, master, to carry about 280 adults; under engagement to sail from the Clyde, Scotland, on 10th September next. And the "Matokoa," 1323 tons, Barnett, master, to carry about 350 adults; under engagement to sail from London on the 15th September next.

We are anxious to obtain the services of experienced surgeons who have at least made one or two successful voyages with emigrants despatched by your Board, and we are prepared to adopt the same scale of remuneration for services as those acted upon by you.

The surgeon will require to join the ship "Helenslee" at Glasgow, on the 8th September, and the gentleman appointed for the "Matoaka" will require to join that ship on the 13th September.

The conditions of our charter for these ships are in some respects different from those adopted by H. M. Emigration Commissioners; and when the surgeons are nominated, they had better be referred to this office, that they may be made acquainted with our conditions before the appointment is finally confirmed.

In every instance the surgeons of the ships despatched by us must be borne upon the articles. In the case of the "Matoaka," as she will carry a large number of emigrants, a proposal may be made by us that a gross sum be accepted for the surgeon's remuneration, and not at a rate per head.

It is also proposed that instead of the allowance of wine, &c., for the surgeon of the "Helenslee," an equivalent in money, say £10, shall be made.

We have, &c.,

Her Majesty's Emigration Commissioners.

WM. S. GRAHAME,
JOHN MORRISON,
New Zealand Government Emigration Board.

Enclosure 2 to No. 3.

THE SECRETARY TO HER MAJESTY'S EMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS TO NEW ZEALAND EMIGRATION BOARD.

Government Emigration Board, 8, Park Street, Westminster,
26th August, 1864.

GENTLEMEN,—

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 25th instant, requesting us to nominate one of the surgeons who have acquired experience in our service to be Surgeon-Superintendent to each of the two ships "Helenslee" and "Matoaka," which you purpose to despatch with emigrants to Auckland in the course of next month. You add that you are prepared to adopt the same scale of remuneration for the surgeons that we act on, and to pay in addition to the surgeon of the "Helenslee" the sum of £10 in lieu of the allowance of wine, spirits, and malt liquors provided in our ships for the surgeon.

I annex a scale of our remuneration to surgeons in order that there may be no misapprehension on the point. This scale you will perceive commences at 10s. for each emigrant landed alive, and rises by an increment of 2s. for every second voyage, until the maximum of 20s. a-head is reached. In addition, we make to the surgeon an allowance of £60 for his passage back to this country, provided he returns and claims it within nine months after the landing of the emigrants in the colony. The payment of the whole of these allowances is however contingent on the duties of the surgeon having been discharged to the satisfaction of the Colonial Government. These are the terms, therefore, which will be offered to such of our surgeons as may be inclined to accept appointments in your vessels, although of course it will be open to you to make any other arrangement that may be mutually agreed upon in any particular case.

On looking through the list of our surgeons at present in England, we find only one out of the nine disengaged that has made fewer than eight voyages. I have however written to eight of them to ascertain if they are willing to proceed in either of the two vessels you are about to despatch. It is