

## Enclosure 1 in No. 14.

## COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Cardigan Castle."

THE Commissioners beg to report that the above ship arrived in Lyttelton harbour on Saturday last, after a fine passage of eighty-four days from Plymouth.

On going on board, the Commissioners were very pleased to find all the immigrants in good health and the compartments in excellent order. The ship is admirably adapted for carrying passengers, having great height between decks, with ample light and ventilation.

The health of the immigrants had been good throughout the voyage, and they expressed themselves very pleased with the treatment they had received from the captain and officers of the ship.

Two births and four deaths (children) had occurred during the passage.

The provisions were of good quality, and had been served out in accordance with the contract.

The condenser had worked well throughout the voyage.

The hospitals were placed and fitted according to contract, and the bath-room in the single women's compartment had worked satisfactorily.

The immigrants, comprising 156 British and 50 foreign, appear well suited for the requirements of the Province.

A complaint was made in the married people's compartment to the effect that, in the allotment of the berths at Plymouth, some of the parents were separated from their children. The Commissioners would recommend that in future the children should be placed in the berth above (or below) their parents.

The payment of full gratuities to the officers of the ship is recommended.

WM. DONALD,  
F. D. GIBSON,  
JOHN F. ROUSE,  
J. E. MARCH, } Commissioners.

Lyttelton, 17th November, 1873.

## Enclosure 2 in No. 14.

Dr. BAIN to the IMMIGRATION OFFICER, Lyttelton.

SIR,—

Ship "Cardigan Castle," Lyttelton, 17th November, 1873.

Although the various incidents connected with the voyage have been daily and regularly noted in the diary set apart for such purpose, I have the honor to state, for your information, that the medical comforts and provisions on board this ship for the use of the emigrants were amply sufficient and of good quality. Of the former, the supply was sufficient for a larger number, or at all events for a much longer voyage.

The nature of the cargo, however (principally railway iron), considerably militated against comfort, in consequence of the increased tendency to roll from apparently slight causes. The ship is in every way admirably adapted for the conveyance of emigrants, most ably commanded, and well managed.

I may add that the fittings 'tween-decks, including surgery, hospitals, lavatories, and water-closets, were amply sufficient and well arranged.

I have, &c.,

D. S. E. BAIN, M.D.,  
Surgeon-Superintendent, "Cardigan Castle."

The Immigration Officer, Lyttelton, N.Z.

## No. 15.

The Hon. Dr. POLLEN to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 268.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 8th December, 1873.

I have the honor to forward copy of report by the Immigration Commissioners at Dunedin upon the ship "Lady Jocelyn."

I have, &c.,

DANIEL POLLEN,  
for Minister for Immigration.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

## Enclosure in No. 15.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Lady Jocelyn."

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Dunedin, 14th November, 1873.

We have the honor to report that the ship "Lady Jocelyn" arrived in port on the 6th instant, but having sickness on board, the Board of Health ordered the ship to be put in quarantine pending further orders.

The families among whom the sickness appeared on the voyage having been removed to the quarantine station, and the ship in the meantime being fumigated, and the clothes of the immigrants washed on board, we admitted the ship to pratique after due medical inspection by Dr. O'Donnoghue on the 11th instant. Having inspected the ship on the same day, we are in a position to report very favourably on this part of our duty. The requirements of the Passengers' Act, as well as the charter-party, were fully complied with, and the immigrants without one exception expressed themselves highly satisfied with their treatment on the voyage.