

The above fees are to be the only remuneration of the local agent, and are to cover postages, carriage of parcels, and other incidental expenses of the local agency.

22. Any money which applicants may be called upon by the Agent-General to pay, is to be transmitted direct to this office by the parties themselves—and not through the local agent—by means of bank drafts payable in London *at sight*, or by post office orders, enclosed in a letter of advice addressed to the Agent-General.

23. The local agent is not to receive, under any pretence whatever, any money or other remuneration from applicants or others for any services rendered in his capacity of local agent.

24. The accounts for local agency should be forwarded to the Agent-General, for examination and settlement, as soon as practicable after the end of each quarter.

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Agent-General for New Zealand.

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Enclosure 3 in No. 40.

EMIGRATION TO NEW ZEALAND, UNDER THE CONDUCT OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

APPLICATIONS for Free Passages should be addressed to the Agent-General, at 7, Westminster Chambers, London, S.W., from whom Forms of Application and all other information may be obtained.

FREE PASSAGES will be granted by the Government of New Zealand, until further notice, upon the following conditions:—

I. The classes eligible are Married and Single Agricultural Labourers, Navvies, Shepherds, and Mechanics, &c.; also Single Women, as Cooks, Housemaids, Nurses, General Servants, Dairymaids, &c., who are not under fifteen, nor over thirty-five years of age. They must be sober, industrious, of good moral character, of sound mind, free from bodily deformity, in good health, and must be going to the Colony with the intention to work for wages. The charge for ship's outfit must be paid in advance. (See Clause XII.)

II. The Government will not give free passages to more than three children between one and twelve years of age in each family; but parents who have more than three children may make their application; and the Agent-General will determine, in each case, whether the passage applied for can be granted. Every person above the age of twelve years is reckoned as an adult; children between one and twelve are reckoned as half an adult; and infants under one year are not reckoned.

III. In filling up the "Form of Application," the Applicant must be careful to furnish all the required particulars. If his application be entertained, he will receive a form containing certain "Certificates," and unless he can obtain proper signatures to these certificates, he will not be accepted.

IV. No person will be allowed a free passage unless he shall have been approved of by the Agent-General. No Single Man above the age of forty years, and no Married Man above the age of forty-five, will be allowed any assistance. But any person so ineligible on account of age, and going with a family eligible for assistance, may receive a passage on payment of the entire expense incurred in providing it.

V. As soon as the intending Emigrant shall receive notice that he has been approved of, he must pay the cost of ship outfit, as provided in Clause XII. He will then forthwith receive a "Contract Ticket," naming the ship in which he is to sail, and the time and place at which he is to embark. The sums paid will be absolutely forfeited if the applicants should fail to embark at the time and place appointed.

VI. The filling up the accompanying "Form of Application" does not, nor does even the signature of the "Certificates," entitle the Applicant to a passage; and he is warned against leaving his employment, or making any preparation for emigrating, before he has received his "Contract Ticket." Replies are not sent when Applicants are ineligible.

VII. The Emigrants are expected to pay their own expenses to the Port, and up to the period of embarkation, including dock dues upon luggage; but in special cases, if it shall be proved, to the satisfaction of the Agent-General, that the Emigrant is an Agricultural Labourer and unable to pay the whole of these expenses, an advance in aid will be made: for the sum so advanced, the Emigrant will be required to sign a promissory note.

VIII. If any false statement or false signature shall be found in the Form of Application or the Certificates, or if the Applicant shall fail to embark at the time and place required; or if, upon appearing at the place of embarkation, any Emigrant shall be found to have any infectious disorder, or any bodily or mental defect, contrary to the statement in the application, such Emigrant will not be allowed to embark, and will forfeit any deposit which may have been made on account of his passage money or outfit cost.

IX. The Emigrant should state the name of the Province to which he desires to proceed. On receiving this information, the Agent-General will acquaint him with the date of sailing of the next vessel.

X. PROVISIONS, &c.—Provisions, Medical Attendance, Cooking, and Cooking Utensils, are supplied on board without charge to Emigrants.