

## No. 11.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(No. 1347.)

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

SIR,—

29th June, 1874.

Referring to your letter No. 74-74, of 8th April, I observe that His Honor the Superintendent of Canterbury remarks upon the report of the surgeon-superintendent of the ship "Dilharree," forwarded therewith, that "it is very valuable," &c. I have carefully perused the report alluded to, and have referred it to the Despatching Officer, and directed him to make thereon any suggestions which occur to him as likely to improve the present system.

I have, &amp;c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.

## No. 12.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(No. 1348.)

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

SIR,—

29th June, 1874.

Referring to your letter No. 82-74, of 9th April, on the subject of the emigrants ordered for Taranaki, I note that these emigrants are to be considered inclusive of those ordered in your letter No. 57, of 12th March last, and that you desire me to carry out your instructions with regard to this province with the least possible delay.

I regret to be compelled to inform you that, as in the case of the vessels required for Marlborough, I have not yet been able to induce either of the shipping firms to lay on ships direct for Taranaki. In the meantime, both firms understand that I shall require a ship a month for this province from 1st August to October, and I have already advertised my intentions in this respect (see the printed list of sailings enclosed herewith); but the detail of the shipping arrangements remains at present in abeyance. I hope to be able shortly to give you precise information on this subject.

I have, &amp;c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.

## No. 13.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(No. 1351.)

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

SIR,—

29th June, 1874.

Referring to your letter No. 78-74, of 7th April, forwarding copies of the report of the Immigration Commissioners and of the Immigration Officer upon the ship "Queen of the Age," also a short-hand writer's *précis* of a case prosecuted in the Resident Magistrate's Court against an immigrant named Patrick Jones for a breach of the regulations under "The Passenger Act, 1855," which resulted in the conviction of that person, his imprisonment, and the infliction of a fine, I shall, as you direct, cause the conviction of Patrick Jones to be printed in a poster form, and placed in a conspicuous position in the between-decks of the next few ships, for the information of the emigrants.

The reports of the Immigration Commissioners and Immigration Officer do not call for special remark.

I have, &amp;c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.

## No. 14.

The AGENT-GENERAL to the Hon. the MINISTER for IMMIGRATION.

(No. 1353.)

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.,

SIR,—

29th June, 1874.

Referring to your letter No. 77-74, of 8th April, forwarding copy of correspondence with His Honor the Superintendent of Westland relative to the want of female domestic labour in that province, I have the honor to state that every effort will be made to engage a number of respectable servants for Westland, and that they will be forwarded *via* Nelson.

It is abundantly evident, from the reports of the various Immigration Officers and from other advices, that the want of female servants is general throughout the colony. As, however, I have already completed the number of emigrants ordered for Otago and Canterbury respectively, I am precluded from engaging any more female servants for either of those provinces. As many suitable persons of the class indicated as I am able to obtain shall be forwarded to the provinces to which I am still at liberty to despatch emigrant vessels.

I have, &amp;c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington, N.Z.

Agent-General.