

forwarding copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Carisbrooke Castle," which arrived at Lyttelton upon the 2nd September:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.
2. Surgeon-superintendent's report.
3. Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.

I notice that the Commissioners approved the fittings, ventilation, and general arrangements of the vessel.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Agent-General.

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

No. 80.

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

(No. 1933.)

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

17th December, 1874.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 278, of 25th September, 1874, forwarding copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Otago," which arrived at Port Chalmers upon the 30th August:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.
2. Certified list of births and deaths during the voyage.

I am glad to learn that the Commissioners were satisfied with the fittings, condition, and general arrangements of the vessel.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Agent-General.

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

No. 81.

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

(No. 1934.)

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

17th December, 1874.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 277, dated 25th September, 1874, forwarding the following documents relative to the ship "St. Lawrence," which you inform me arrived at Lyttelton upon the 30th August:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.
2. Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.

The Commissioners remark that "the matron was altogether unfitted for her duties, being aged and very deaf," &c. This woman was selected at Plymouth from among the Government emigrants. She is described as a nurse of 44 years of age. Unless, therefore, gross misrepresentation was practised, she would not appear to be disqualified on account of age for the efficient discharge of her duties.

I notice that, "with the exception of the single women's compartment, the Commissioners are unable to report so favourably as they would wish on the cleanliness of this ship." They remark, however, that "no complaints were made of any kind, the immigrants expressing themselves well pleased with the treatment they had received."

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Agent-General.

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

No. 82.

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

(No. 1935.)

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

17th December, 1874.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 280, dated 25th September, 1874, forwarding copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Euterpe," which arrived at Port Nicholson on the 30th August:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.
2. Surgeon-superintendent's report.
3. Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.

I observe that the Commissioners highly approved the general arrangements of the vessel, with the exception of the dispensary, which the surgeon-superintendent remarks was ill-placed and insufficiently ventilated, and the water condenser, which appears to have been deficient in power. I have referred the papers to the Despatching Officer, for his report upon the alleged defects.

I notice also that the Commissioners describe the emigrants as "a fine, healthy lot of people."

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,

Agent-General.

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