vessel made an average good run of 110 days from London, bringing 278 Government immigrants to

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the colony, equal to 219 statute adults, all in good health.

We found the ship and passengers free from contagious or infectious disease, nothing of the kind having been known on board at any time during the voyage. The arrangements for the accommodation of the immigrants are of the average description to be met with in ships of the class usually engaged in similar service. The ventilation between decks was tolerably efficient, and we found the usual conveniences on board, including a bath-room for the use of the female passengers. Nine deaths occurred during the voyage, and four births. Of the deaths, five were infants under twelve months old, chiefly of diarrhea, three were children between eighteen months and seven years of age, of diarrhoea and croup, and a female, named E-- W-, forty-three years of age, of dysentery.

The quality of the stores in consumption on the voyage was unexceptionable, and the supply abundant. There was also a good supply of fresh water throughout. The ship was provided with an efficient condenser. No complaints requiring particular notice were made by any of the passengers.

In recommending payment of the usual gratuities to the surgeon-superintendent and the ship's officers, including the master, chief mate, and purser, we think it right to suggest that in cases where the second officer is commended by the doctor and captain for diligence in attending in turn to the wants and comfort of the passengers, as in the instance of the "James Wishart," a small gratuity, say £5, should be paid to him also.

We have, &c., H. Ellis.

T. M. PHILSON, M.D. I. J. BURGESS.

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

## No. 7.

The Hon. J. Vogel to the Agent-General.

(No. 209.)

Immigration Office, Wellington, 28th July, 1874. I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Queen of Nations," which arrived at Auckland upon 5th July inst.:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.

2. Immigration Officer's report.

3. Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL.

## Enclosure in No. 7.

IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Queen of Nations."

Immigration Office, Auckland, 6th July, 1874. STR. We have the honor to report that we made the customary inspection yesterday of the immigrant ship "Queen of Nations" as she came up the harbour to the anchorage ground, and found everything on board affecting the health of the passengers in a cleanly and orderly condition. The ship sailed from Belfast on the 21st March, and therefore is 105 days out from home. The immigrants are remarkable for their healthy and robust appearance, and all express themselves well satisfied with the treatment they received upon the voyage. Three deaths and two births occurred on board. The deaths included two children under fifteen months old of diarrhea, and one unmarried female, twenty-one years of age, of enteric fever. No infectious disease of any kind occurred throughout the voyage.

The ship's passenger accommodation is very good, and the provisions supplied to the immigrants were of excellent quality, and ample in quantity. The supply of fresh water also was abundant.

In conclusion, we have much pleasure in recommending payment of the usual gratuities to the surgeon-superintendent, master, chief mate, and purser; and, as in the instance of the "James Wishart," previously reported, we beg to suggest that a gratuity of £5 be paid to the second officer, in consideration of his attention to the passengers in various ways throughout the voyage.

We have, &c., H. ELLIS.

T. M. PHILSON, M.D. I. J. BURGESS.

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

## No: 8.

The Hon. J. VOGEL to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 210.)

Immigration Office, Wellington, 28th July, 1874. SIR,-I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Caroline," which arrived at Port Chalmers upon 12th July instant:—

1. Immigration Commissioners' report.

2. Certified list of births and deaths upon the voyage.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

I have, &c.,

JULIUS VOGEL.