

## Enclosure in No. 56.

## IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Helen Denny."

SIR,—

Immigration Commissioners' Office, Napier, 26th November, 1874.

I have the honor to inform you that the "Helen Denny," Captain W. Ruth, arrived in the roadstead on Thursday, 22nd October. There were seven births, and nine deaths, generally from diarrhoea. The passengers without exception expressed themselves satisfied with the treatment they had received on board.

I have, &amp;c.,

G. THOS. FANNIN,  
(*pro* Commissioners.)

The Hon. the Minister for Immigration, Wellington.

## No. 57.

(No. 374.)

The Hon. H. A. ATKINSON to the AGENT-GENERAL.

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 22nd December, 1874.

I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of the following documents relative to the "Soukar," which vessel arrived at Port Nicholson upon the 2nd ultimo:—

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

Many of the suggestions of the surgeon-superintendent have already been anticipated in the instructions which have been sent to you.

I have, &amp;c.,

H. A. ATKINSON.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.

## Enclosure in No. 57.

## IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONERS' REPORT on Ship "Soukar."

SIR,—

Wellington, 15th December, 1874.

We have the honor to report the arrival of the "Soukar" on the 2nd instant, with 326½ statute adults on board; five deaths, equal to two adults, occurred during the voyage. On inspecting the immigrants and vessel, we were pleased to find everything in a satisfactory condition. The immigrants were located in the usual manner; all having their berths in blocks, with alley-ways right round. These alley-ways were a great convenience, as they enabled the water-way which was in the 'tween-decks (as in "Cartvale") to be kept clean and sweet, and prevented the berths being placed right over it, as in that ship. All the compartments had abundance of light and ventilation, and the fittings, ladders, &c., were particularly good, being in fact the best we have yet seen in any ship which has come to this port. The hospitals were well placed, roomy, and well ventilated. The dispensary was under the main hatch, but it would have been better under the poop. The galley and condenser were good. All the passengers expressed themselves well satisfied, but, as we have stated in other reports, inconvenience and annoyance was caused by the private passengers. We append a report by the surgeon-superintendent, in which will be found several practical suggestions, one of the most important of which is, that the allowance of sand and charcoal should be increased. In conclusion, we beg to recommend the payment of all gratuities. Surgeon-Superintendent Cartwright and Captain Adams seem to have performed their duties satisfactorily, and to have gained the goodwill of all the passengers.

We have, &amp;c.,

ALEX. JOHNSTON, M.D.

JOHN HOLLIDAY.

H. J. H. ELLIOTT.

His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

## No. 58.

The Hon. H. A. ATKINSON to the AGENT-GENERAL.

(No. 375.)

SIR,—

Immigration Office, Wellington, 22nd December, 1874.

Referring to my letter of the 18th ultimo, No. 335, I herewith transmit copies of the following documents relative to the ship "Hydaspes," recently placed in quarantine at Auckland:—

1. Commissioners' report.
2. Immigration Officer's report.
3. Remarks of the Surgeon-Superintendent.

The report of the Commissioners calls for no special remark, but I would direct your attention to the observations of the surgeon-superintendent respecting the medical inspection of the emigrants at the port of London, and to his suggestions *re* the children's dietary, in which you will observe that he entirely coincides with the desirability of the alterations which you have been already instructed to carry out.

I have, &amp;c.,

H. A. ATKINSON.

The Agent-General for New Zealand, London.