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# DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION

(ANNUAL REPORT OF).

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

SIR,—

Department of Immigration, Wellington, 18th July, 1911.

Herewith I have the honour to submit the annual report upon the immigration which has taken place into New Zealand from the United Kingdom during the year 1910–11.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. George Fowlds, Minister of Immigration.

WM. C. KENSINGTON,  
Under-Secretary.

## REPORT.

DURING the year which ended on the 31st March last the number of persons who arrived in the Dominion from the United Kingdom totalled 10,334, consisting of 8,560 adults and 1,774 children. The majority of these persons made their own arrangements regarding passages. The number who were assisted by the High Commissioner, as detailed in the accompanying schedule, was 2,624 persons. These 2,624 persons were distributed among forty-two vessels, the largest number—namely, 201—being on the “Athenic,” which left London on the 9th December last. The amount of capital known to be possessed by them was £37,735, making an average of £14 per head. The number of domestic workers who were assisted was 831.

Nominations were accepted from persons in the Dominion for the passages of 1,458 persons, being 906 adults and 552 children, and the amount deposited towards the cost of these passages was £12,056.

The number of wives coming out to join their husbands already here was 325, accompanied by 644 children.

The practice hitherto in vogue of only granting passages to farmers and farm labourers so that they should arrive in New Zealand in the spring and early summer was continued during the past year.

Each of the forty-two vessels enumerated in the attached schedule was visited by the Immigration Officer upon arrival at Wellington, and a perusal of the reports of that officer shows that he speaks in favourable terms of the character and physique of those who had been granted assistance and that the provision regarding berthing-accommodation was satisfactory.

Early in the season the High Commissioner arranged with the three shipping companies trading direct to New Zealand that passengers at reduced rates should be carried in six-berth enclosed cabins. Hitherto these rates have not been available for other than two-berth and four-berth cabins. Having made the arrangements, the High Commissioner was in a position to notify the public in the United Kingdom that a farm labourer who was in possession of a capital qualification of not less than £10 could obtain a passage in a six-berth enclosed cabin at £8. The rates in the four-berth and two-berth cabins remain at £10 and £12 respectively.

Owing to the great scarcity of female domestic workers, it was considered advisable to revise the rates previously in existence for young women of this class, and it was accordingly agreed that single female domestic servants should be given passages upon payments as follows: For a berth in a six-berth enclosed cabin, £2 16s.; for one in a four-berth cabin, £4 16s.; and for one in a two-berth cabin, £6 16s. These rates should have the effect of inducing a number of young women to emigrate to New Zealand, and be of material assistance to those associations in New Zealand that have been formed for the purpose of obtaining and introducing domestic helps or assistants into the Dominion.

RETURN showing the NAMES of the VESSELS which carried Passengers at Reduced Rates from the United Kingdom for the Year ended 31st March, 1911; and also the NUMBER of PERSONS granted Passages, together with the AMOUNT of CAPITAL possessed by them.

Date of Leaving.		Steamer.	Souls.	Adults.	Declared Amount of Capital.	Amount of Passage-money paid by High Commissioner.
1910.					£	£
April	1	Corinthic	77	51 $\frac{3}{4}$	374	207.
"	2	Sussex	1	1	2	4
"	15	Ruahine	29	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	106	98
"	29	Arawa	94	78 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,920	313
"	30	Nairnshire	12	10	300	40
May	12	Ruapehu	38	31 $\frac{3}{4}$	19	127
"	21	Everton Grange	3	3	6	12
"	27	Tainui	44	37 $\frac{3}{4}$	45	151
June	9	Rimutaka	40	30 $\frac{3}{4}$	27	123
"	17	Somerset	3	3	7	12
"	24	Ionic	101	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,099	326
July	7	Turakina	38	30 $\frac{1}{4}$	69	121
"	22	Athenic	88	67 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,258	270
"	23	Cornwall	10	9	17	36
Aug.	5	Tongariro	61	49 $\frac{1}{4}$	816	205
"	19	Corinthic	198	162 $\frac{1}{4}$	6,383	677
"	20	Morayshire	17	16	352	64
Sept.	2	Ruahine	52	44 $\frac{1}{4}$	348	205
"	16	Arawa	94	80 $\frac{1}{4}$	845	361
"	17	Drayton Grange	2	2	52	8
"	29	Ruapehu	27	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	469	106
Oct.	5	Matatua	74	63	710	316
"	14	Tainui	195	173 $\frac{1}{4}$	6,489	951
"	15	Sussex	3	3	12	16
"	28	Rotorua	70	61 $\frac{1}{4}$	364	341
Nov.	5	Waiwera	93	76 $\frac{1}{4}$	3,114	398
"	11	Ionic	149	131 $\frac{1}{2}$	576	669
"	17	Durham	5	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	17	18
"	24	Turakina	102	87 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,242	417
Dec.	9	Athenic	201	180 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,222	1,089
"	10	Surrey	30	27	240	132
"	22	Tongariro	107	94	969	504
1911.						
Jan.	5	Corinthic	157	137 $\frac{3}{4}$	935	719
"	14	Kent	12	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	504	58
"	19	Ruahine	86	70	597	364
Feb.	3	Arawa	38	31	73	176
"	4	Norfolk	1	1	2	8
"	16	Ruapehu	40	33 $\frac{3}{4}$	37	203
Mar.	2	Tainui	66	52 $\frac{3}{4}$	246	319
"	4	Morayshire	17	15	23	100
"	16	Rotorua	58	50	83	316
"	30	Ionic	91	73 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,766	433
Totals		...	2,624	2,213	37,735	11,013

SUMMARY of PERSONS who embarked for New Zealand from the United Kingdom from 1st April, 1910, to 31st March, 1911.

Farmers.		Housewives and Children.			Total Number of Souls.
Single Men and Heads of Families.	Souls.	Domestics.	Heads of Families.	Souls.	
<i>Approved by High Commissioner.</i>					
400	658	669	..	..	1,327
<i>Authorized by Immigration Department in New Zealand.</i>					
106	166	162	325	969	1,297
506	824	831	325	969	2,624

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