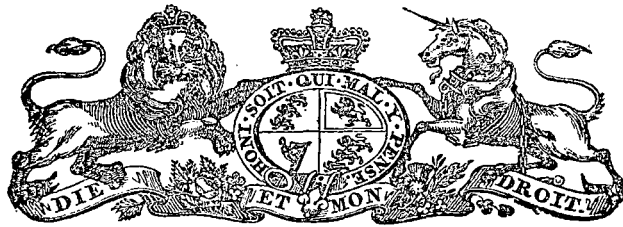


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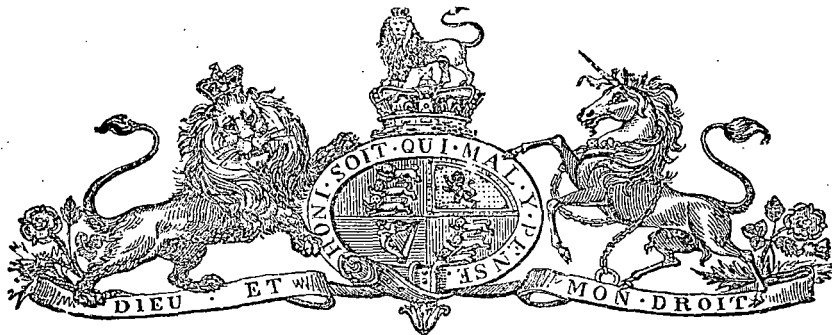
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T A S M A N I A.

REPORT OF THE IMMIGRATION AGENT

FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER, 1860.

Laid upon the Table by Mr. Innes, and ordered by the House to be printed,
1 October, 1861.



Board of Immigration, 16th August, 1861.

SIR,

By direction of the Board of Immigration, I have the honor to enclose the Report of the Immigration Agent for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1860, for the information of Parliament.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

FRANK C. TRIBE, *Secretary.*

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary.

Immigration Office, Hobart Town, 22nd February, 1861.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to submit herewith, for the information of the Board of Immigration, my Departmental Report for the Half-year ended 31st December, 1860, with a series of Tabular Returns in connection therewith.

It will be seen that 151 persons were introduced under the Bounty System during the above period, at a cost of £9 11s. 5½*d.* per Statute Adult; 60 of whom were landed at Hobart Town, and 91 at Launceston. The entire of this number (except 6 per *Percy*, direct to Hobart Town) arrived *via* Melbourne, having been forwarded thence per Steamers, by the Agents of the "Black Ball" and "White Star" Lines.

Of the above, the proportion of English, Scotch, and Irish, is as follows:—

English	51
Scotch.....	17
Irish	83
<i>Total</i>	<u>151</u>

The sexes are thus divided, Males 62, Females, 89, including 15 Male, and 19 Female children under 12 years of age.

With but few exceptions, these Immigrants are well adapted for the requirements of the Colony, and the majority have received a tolerable amount of education. They are chiefly the relations or friends of persons in Tasmania, who have purchased Bounty Tickets for their introduction, and who receive them on arrival, and find them employment. Those not under this head have been sent for by landowners and other employers of labour, and have been selected by their private agents in the United Kingdom as agricultural labourers or domestic servants, under engagement to the holders of the Tickets, many of whom have expressed themselves as well satisfied with the new arrivals. The proportion of male to female Emigrants thus introduced is large, when the cost to the holders of Male Tickets (£10 each) is taken into consideration, and may be adduced as a proof that the demand for farm labourers has continued steady.

Two ships despatched by the Tasmanian Emigration Agency, London, arrived in the Colony during the Half-year viz.—*Isles of the South* at Hobart Town, and *Antipodes* at Launceston; the former with 106, and the latter with 166 single females for general engagement. A special Report on each of these Vessels has been already furnished to the Board.

From the fact that many of the single women remained unemployed for a considerable time after arrival, the Board considered it expedient to modify the terms of engagement so as to relieve employers from

the liability of payment of the Promissory Notes in advance, merely requiring them to deduct one-half of the servant's wages while in their service as they became due, until the sum so reserved equalled the amount of the Promissory Note.

This arrangement has been successful so far, as enabling the Immigration Agent at each Port to dispose of the Immigrants speedily, thereby saving the Government from the heavy expense attendant on their support. It however remains to be seen whether the system adopted will answer permanently, which will of course depend mainly upon the continuance in their places of the servants thus engaged, and the consequent payment of moiety by employers. The result will be notified in my next general Report.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

GEORGE SMITH, *Immigration Agent.*

*The Honorable W. HENTY, Esquire,
President, Board of Immigration.*

No. 2.

NATIVE COUNTRIES and RELIGIONS of EMIGRANTS arrived during Half-year ended the 31st of December, 1860.

	<i>Married.</i>		<i>Single.</i>		<i>Children.</i>		<i>Total Souls.</i>
	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>F.</i>	
England	9	8	7	128	5	11	168
Scotland	3	4	—	121	3	5	136
Ireland	4	5	24	73	7	3	116
Other Countries	—	—	—	3	—	—	3
TOTALS	16	17	31	325	15	19	423
Protestants	11	11	9	258	8	16	313
Roman Catholics	5	6	22	67	7	3	110
TOTALS	16	17	31	325	15	19	423

G. SMITH, *Immigration Agent.*

No. 3.

CONDITION of the BOUNTY IMMIGRATION SYSTEM, under the Regulations of the 24th January, 1854, up to the 31st December, 1860.

	ORDINARY TICKETS		BLANK TICKETS.			
	<i>Family.</i>	<i>Single.</i>	<i>From the United Kingdom.</i>		<i>From Germany.</i>	
			<i>Family.</i>	<i>Single.</i>	<i>Family.</i>	<i>Single.</i>
Issued	891	1329	124	200	100	200
Less certified for payment—						
<i>Family Single</i> <i>Tickets. Tickets.</i>						
United Kingdom .. 694 999	725	1025	123	194	100	198
Germany 31 26						
Cancelled	104	165	—	1	—	2
Overdue	62	139	1	5	—	—
OUTSTANDING	—	—	—	—	—	—

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No. 4.

*CONDITION of the BOUNTY IMMIGRATION SYSTEM, under the Regulations of the 1st March, 1856
up to 31st December, 1860.*

	ORDINARY TICKETS.		BLANK TICKETS.	
	<i>Family.</i>	<i>Single.</i>	<i>Family.</i>	<i>Single.</i>
Issued.....	540	1198	26	500
Less certified for payment, or acted on.....	431	916	6	149
Cancelled.....	77	213	20	351
Overdue.....	32	69	—	—
OUTSTANDING.....	—	—	—	—

G. SMITH, *Immigration Agent.*

No. 5.

*CONDITION of the BOUNTY IMMIGRATION SYSTEM, under the Regulations of 1st July, 1856,
up to the 31st December, 1860.*

	ORDINARY TICKETS.			BLANK TICKETS.	
	<i>Family.</i>	<i>Man & Wife.</i>	<i>Single.</i>	<i>Family.</i>	<i>Single.</i>
Issued.....	95	11	187	6	150
Less certified for payment, or acted on.....	72	6	122	—	130
Cancelled.....	22	5	53	—	—
Overdue.....	1	—	12	—	20
OUTSTANDING.....	—	—	—	—	—

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No. 6.

CONDITION of the BOUNTY IMMIGRATION SYSTEM, under the Regulations of the 21st December, 1858, up to 31st December, 1860.

	FAMILY TICKETS.	SINGLE TICKETS.	
		For Males.	For Females.
General Issue, Hobart Town.....	37	78	153
Ditto, Launceston.....	62	76	158
Issued to St. Andrew's Society, Launceston	29	100	200
TOTALS	128	254	511
Less certified for payment, or acted on.....	87	175	373
Cancelled.....	5	18	45
Overdue.....	4	10	16
OUTSTANDING	32	51	77

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No. 7.

OCCUPATIONS of the MALE IMMIGRANTS introduced during the Half-year ended the 31st of December, 1860.

	Married.	Single.	TOTAL.
Agricultural Laborers.....	3	16	19
Bakers.....	1	2	3
Carpenter and Joiner.....	1	—	1
Cotton Factory Laborer.....	—	1	1
Domestic Servant.....	—	1	1
Farm Bailiff.....	—	1	1
Groom and Coachman.....	—	1	1
Laborers.....	6	6	12
Mason.....	1	—	1
Miner.....	1	—	1
Painters.....	1	1	2
Printer.....	—	1	1
Salesman.....	—	1	1
Wire-worker.....	1	—	1
Working Engineer.....	1	—	1
TOTALS	16	31	47

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No. 8.

*OCCUPATIONS of Single FEMALE IMMIGRANTS introduced during the Half-year ended
31st of December, 1860.*

Carpet Weaver.....	1
Cooks.....	20
Cooks and General Servants.....	6
Cooks and Nursemaids.....	2
Dairymaids.....	9
Dressmaker.....	1
Farm Servants.....	6
General Servants.....	119
General Servants or Housemaids.....	8
Governesses or Teachers.....	3
Housekeepers.....	2
Housemaids.....	81
Housemaids and Nurserymaids.....	9
Laundresses.....	12
Laundresses and General Servants.....	7
Milliners.....	2
Needlewomen.....	7
Nurserymaids.....	20
Nurses.....	2
Nurses and General Servants.....	3
Shopwomen.....	5
TOTALS.....	<u>325</u>

G. SMITH, *Immigration Agent.*