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1872.

T A S M A N I A.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

BOARD OF IMMIGRATION.

REPORT FOR 1871.

Laid upon the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be printed, June 25, 1872.



Immigration Office, 14th June, 1872.

SIR,

THE Board of Immigration have the honor to present their Annual Report on Immigration for the year ending 31st December, 1871.

The Immigration under the Bounty System has materially decreased during the past year, only nine souls having been introduced by tickets, consisting of four single women from England and one from Scotland, and two single men from Ireland and two from Scotland.

The introduction of these Immigrants cost the Board the sum of Seventy-nine Pounds.

Under the 7th Section of the Act of Parliament 31st Vict. No. 26, fourteen Land Certificates have been granted, entitling the holders to select eight hundred and twenty acres of the waste lands of the crown.

These Certificates represent an addition to the population of fourteen male, seven female adults, and twenty-six children.

Mr. Frederick Buck, the Agent of the Board in Germany, having been instructed to close the agency, the last vessel left Hamburg on the 20th October for Hobart Town via Brazil, having on board for this port thirty-two married couples, twenty-seven single males, thirteen single females, and seventy-four children, Bounty Immigrants, besides seventeen Land Order Warrant steerage passengers and three in the intermediate cabin. Mr. Buck himself accompanies these Immigrants.

The Board have been in communication with their Agents in London, the Emigrant and Colonists Aid Corporation, Limited, and have supplied them with all necessary papers, maps, and other information, but as yet no practical results have followed the establishment of this agency.

In order to facilitate the introduction of suitable labour for the construction of the Main Line of Railway, the Board, at the instance of Captain Audley Coote, appointed the Secretary for the time being of the Main Line Railway Company their Agent under the Act of Parliament 31 Vict. No. 26, so far as relates to the issue of Land Order Warrants to persons who shall enter into agreements to serve the Company in Tasmania for a period of not less than two years: the issue of the Land Order Warrants not to exceed in all fifteen hundred statute adults, two children between the ages of twelve months and fifteen years being reckoned as one adult, and the total issue to include not less than one thousand able-bodied male laborers and mechanics, or in the proportion of two male adults to one adult female, or two children.

Mr. Whitesmith's proposed Co-operative Emigration Association still remains undeveloped, and the Board do not anticipate that any material advantage to the Colony will be derived from this source unless the Association should find itself in a position to adopt the course suggested by Mr. Whitesmith himself, and fully concurred in by the Board, namely, to despatch accredited agents to visit Tasmania and satisfy those interested that the elements of success are available.

The balance at the disposal of the Board on the 31st December last amounted to £9150 2s.

Appended are five tabulated Returns, prepared by the Immigration Agent, referring to the operations of the Board under the Bounty System, and one relating to the transactions under the Act of Parliament 31 Vict. No. 26.

J. M. WILSON, *President.*
THOS. D. CHAPMAN.
FRED^C. M. INNES.
HENRY BUTLER.
ASKIN MORRISON.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

No. 1.

RETURN of IMMIGRANTS introduced into TASMANIA at the Public Expense during the Year ended 31st December, 1871.

	IMMIGRANTS INTRODUCED, WITH AMOUNT OF MONEY PAID.																TOTAL COST OF PASSAGE.	TOTAL SOULS ARRIVED.	
	Married.		Single.		Total.	Rate.	Cost.	Children 3 and under 12.			Rate.	Cost.	Children under 3.			Rate.			Cost.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		£	£	M.	F.	TOTAL.	£	£	M.	F.	TOTAL.	£			£
Hobart Town.....	—	—	1	—	1	16	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	1
Launceston	—	—	3	5	8	16	128	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	128	8
TOTAL	—	—	4	5	9	—	144	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	144	9

Total Passage Money	£	£
		144
Deduct amount of Deposit on—	{ 4 Male Tickets	40
	{ 5 Female Tickets	25
		—
		65
Cost to the Board		£79

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No. 2.

NATIVE COUNTRIES and RELIGIONS of IMMIGRANTS arrived during the Year ended 31st December, 1871.

	Married.		Single.		Children.		Total Souls.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
England	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	4
Ireland	—	—	2	—	—	—	2	—
Scotland	—	—	2	1	—	—	2	1
Other Countries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	—	—	4	5	—	—	4	5
Protestant	—	—	2	3	—	—	2	3
Roman Catholic	—	—	2	2	—	—	2	2
Other Religions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	—	—	4	5	—	—	4	5

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No. 3.

OCCUPATIONS of IMMIGRANTS introduced during the Year ended 31st December, 1871.

MALES.		FEMALES.	
Plumber	1	General Servants	4
Butcher	1	Needlewoman	1
Laborers	2		

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No. 4.

RETURN of LIABILITIES of the Board of Immigration on OVERDUE and OUTSTANDING BOUNTY TICKETS, under the Regulations of the 21st December, 1858, and 1st January, 1868, on 31st December, 1871.

	FAMILY TICKETS.	SINGLE.		AMOUNT.	
		Male.	Female.		
Under Regulations of 21st December, 1858— Overdue	11	20	46	£ ..	£ 595
Under Regulations of 1st January, 1868— Overdue	—	1	2	20	
Outstanding	7	7	7	208	228
	7	8	9		£823

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No. 5.

RETURN of LIABILITIES of Government for Repayments on OVERDUE BOUNTY TICKETS under the Bounty Regulations of 24th January, 1854; 1st March, 1856; and 1st July, 1856; on the 31st December, 1871.

	TICKETS OVERDUE.			TOTAL LIABILITIES.
	<i>Family Tickets.</i>	<i>Man and Wife Tickets.</i>	<i>Single Tickets.</i>	
Under Regulations of 24th January, 1854, chargeable against the General Revenue....	58	—	136	£ 698
Ditto 1st March, 1856, chargeable against the Board of Immigration	30	—	67	351
Ditto 1st July, 1856.....	—	—	12	60
	88	—	215	1109

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No. 6.

RETURN showing the Names of Applicants and the Number of Acres granted by Certificate under the 7th Section of the 31st Vict. No. 26, during the Year 1871.

<i>Name of Applicant.</i>	<i>Date of Certificate.</i>	<i>Number of Acres granted.</i>
Lionel Victor Fraser	6 January	90
William Moore	6 January	70
Henry Crawford	9 January	30
A. Dumbleton, on account of his son C. E. Dumbleton	18 January	10
Thomas Symonds	6 March	30
John and James Macfarlane.....	27 March	60
Isaac Dimsdale	12 April	30
Andrew Kinleside	8 July	30
John Williams	21 August	100
James R. Plaister	31 August	110
Patrick Irvin	2 September	30
Richard Tomes	14 September	80
Christopher Scarr	6 November	50
Arthur Young	—	100
TOTAL	820

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