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REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE.

Brought up by Dr. Officer, and ordered by the House to be printed, 5 September,  
1860.



*REPORT of the SELECT COMMITTEE appointed on the 2nd August, 1860, (by Ballot), for the purpose of enquiring into the present working of the Immigration System, and how far it is calculated to promote the welfare of the Colony ; or if it may not be advantageously modified.*

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M E M B E R S.

MR. CHAPMAN.  
MR. W. ARCHER.  
MR. CROOKES.  
DR. OFFICER.

MR. MACLANACHAN.  
MR. BUTLER.  
MR. SHERWIN (*Mover*).

DAYS OF MEETING.

*No. 1. 8th August.*

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.  
Mr. Crookes.  
Mr. Sherwin.  
Mr. Maclanachan.  
Mr. W. Archer.  
Mr. Chapman.

*No. 2. 14th August.*

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.  
Mr. Sherwin.  
Dr. Butler.  
Mr. Chapman.

*No. 3. 21st August.*

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.  
Mr. Sherwin.  
Mr. Crookes.  
Mr. Maclanachan.  
Mr. W. Archer.  
Mr. Chapman.

*No. 4. 24th August.*

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.  
Mr. Crookes.  
Mr. Sherwin.  
Mr. Maclanachan.  
Mr. W. Archer.

*No. 5. 28th August.*

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.  
Mr. Crookes.  
Mr. Sherwin.  
Mr. Maclanachan.  
Mr. W. Archer.  
Mr. Chapman.

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## R E P O R T

*OF the SELECT COMMITTEE appointed on the 2nd August, 1860, (by Ballot), for the purpose of enquiring into the present working of the Immigration System, and how far it is calculated to promote the welfare of the Colony; or if it may not be advantageously modified; with power to call for persons and papers.*

YOUR Committee met on the 8th, 14th, 21st, 24th, and 28th August; and having examined Mr. George Smith and Mr. J. D. Loch, the present and late Immigration Agents at Hobart Town, and carefully considered the Regulations under which Immigration is now conducted, they have agreed to recommend that Bounty Tickets should continue to be issued as at present, but that more stringent Regulations should be adopted to prevent the introduction of persons incapacitated for useful labour by age or infirmity, or otherwise unsuitable to the wants of the Colony.

With a view to attain this important object, your Committee are of opinion, that Bounty Tickets should be issued only under strict conditions as to the age, physical condition, and character of the persons to be introduced; and as a further guarantee against imposition, they recommend that competent and trustworthy persons should be appointed to act as Emigration Agents, to be remunerated by a fee on each Certificate granted at each of the Ports where Emigrants for the Colony usually embark, without whose certificate of conformity to the Regulations no Immigrant should be allowed to embark.

Your Committee are also of opinion, that applicants for Bounty Tickets should be required to state to the Commissioners the class of Immigrants they propose to introduce, for the purpose of enabling the Commissioners to decide whether such a description of labour is required in the Colony. Your Committee recommend that the direct agency of the Commissioners should continue to be confined to the introduction of Female Servants, in such numbers, and at such periods, as the wants of the community may indicate.

Your Committee have been glad to observe the formation of the Tasmanian Emigration Agency in London, under the auspices of the Immigration Commissioners of this Colony, for the purpose of promoting the introduction into Tasmania of Female domestic Servants, and the appointment of a Committee consisting of gentlemen much respected in this community, and taking a deep interest in its welfare. The prospectus of a small Pamphlet, lately published by this Association, is hereto appended, together with a copy of the Bounty Regulations now in force.

R. OFFICER, *Chairman.*

*Committee Room, 28 August, 1860.*

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### FREE EMIGRATION TO TASMANIA.

TASMANIAN EMIGRATION AGENCY, 29 BUCKLESBURY, LONDON, E.C.

Office Hours, 10 till 5; Saturdays, 10 till 2.

#### C O M M I T T E E.

Count P. E. DE STRZELECKI, *C.B.*, (*Chairman.*)

T. S. ATKINS, Esq.  
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W. P. KAY, Esq.

The Rev. Dr. LILLIE.  
P. T. SMITH, Esq.  
H. WHITE, Esq.

J. A. YOUL, Esq.

*Secretary*—Mr. THOMAS B. PARKER.

THIS Agency has been established by the Government of Tasmania for the purpose of selecting and sending out to that Colony Single Women, of good character, accustomed to domestic service, as Cooks, Laundresses, Housemaids, Nursemaids, &c.

Any person desirous of obtaining a Free Passage to Hobart Town or Launceston (Tasmania), must send in her name, occupation, and age; also two written Testimonials to Character, one being from the party in whose employment she was last engaged, and the other from some respectable householder.

Persons under 16 years of age, or above 35, are not eligible.

An entrance Fee of 5s. must be paid by each Candidate. If a passage be refused (after making inquiry as to character), her Entrance Fee will be returned; but in all other cases it will be forfeited.

Any personal defect, such as partial loss of sight or deformity, will render application for a passage useless.

Each Emigrant has to find bedding, mess utensils, &c. for her own use on board ship.

*The A 1 Ship, "Isles of the South," 821 Tons Register, George Grey Commander, lying in the London Docks, will sail at the end of June for Hobart Town.*

*ABSTRACT of IMMIGRANTS introduced into the Colony of Tasmania, by the ST. ANDREW'S IMMIGRATION SOCIETY, from June, 1855 to April, 1860.*

<i>Name of Ship.</i>	<i>Date of Arrival.</i>	<i>Number of Families.</i>	<i>Number of Souls contained in Families.</i>	<i>Single Men.</i>	<i>Single Women.</i>	<i>TOTAL.</i>
<b>1855.</b>						
Commodore Perry .....	June	56	204	59	40	303
Montmorency .....	June	12	50	14	17	81
Storm Cloud .....	Sept.	32	227	74	60	361
Ben Nevis .....	October	8	44	7	..	51
John Bell .....	Decr.	7	66	14	23	103
<b>1856.</b>						
Mermaid .....	Feb.	6	40	..	..	40
Earl Sefton .....	March	3	32	1	..	33
White Star .....	March	..	..	8	6	14
<b>1857.</b>						
Broomielaw, 1st. ....	Mar. 30	36	137	73	37	247
Forest Monarch .....	July	13	46	69	61	176
<b>1859.</b>						
Broomielaw, 2nd. ....	Nov.	13	55	94	91	240
<b>1860.</b>						
Indiana .....	April	18	59	49	117	225
TOTAL.....	..	204	960	462	452	1874

BOARD OF IMMIGRATION OFFICE.

No. 23.

7th May, 1860.

THE Board of Immigration directs the re-publication of the Scale of payments, as promulgated under date 21st December, 1858, under which persons desirous of introducing Immigrants from the United Kingdom may obtain Bounty Tickets, upon application to George Smith, Esq., the Immigration Agent, Hobart Town, or to John Thompson, Esq., the Immigration Agent, Launceston.

By Order of the Board,

FRANK C. TRIBE, Secretary.

PAYMENTS required from Applicants.

For a Family Ticket, including a man and his wife, with all their children under 12 years of age at the time of embarkation £15
For a Ticket for a Single Female £5
For a Ticket for a Single Male £10
All Children of 12 years of age and upwards at the time of embarkation are to be considered as Adults, and must each have a separate Single Ticket.

BOUNTY Rates of Passage-money.

For each Adult £16
For each Child of 3 years of age and under 12 at the time of embarkation £8
For each Child under 3 years of age at the time of embarkation £4
In the event of the death of an Emigrant on the voyage, one-half the above Rates will be paid.

REGULATIONS.

- 1. Forms for signature by Applicants to be obtained from the Immigration Agent at Hobart Town or Launceston, and at the different Police Offices in the Interior.
2. The "Engagement" set out in the Bounty Ticket must be signed by the Emigrant (for himself and Family), agreeing not to leave Tasmania within four years after arrival without having previously paid to the Immigration Agent at Hobart Town or Launceston one-fourth of the whole cost of the Passage-money for every year wanting to complete four years' residence in the Colony, and a proportionate sum for every part of a year.
3. Persons who introduce Immigrants under these Regulations must provide for their reception on arrival.
Should any such Immigrants be received into a Government Establishment, a charge of Two Shillings a day, or part of a day, for each individual will be made against the introducer.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR BOUNTY TICKET.

[Place and Date.]

SIR,

I am desirous of obtaining [state whether a Family or Single Ticket is required] under the Regulations of the Board of Immigration dated 21st December, 1858.

I hereby promise that if any Immigrant shall be introduced under any Bounty Ticket issued to me not of the description stated in the Ticket, I will repay, upon demand, to the Immigration Agent at Hobart Town any money which may have been paid from the Public Funds of Tasmania upon any such Bounty Ticket.

The names of my Agents in the United Kingdom are \_\_\_\_\_

And I herewith enclose the sum of £

I remain,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

[Signature.]

To the Immigration Agent at \_\_\_\_\_

WILLIAM HENTY, President.
F. M. INNES.
HENRY BUTLER.
THOS. D. CHAPMAN.
ASKIN MORRISON.

Immigration Commissioners.