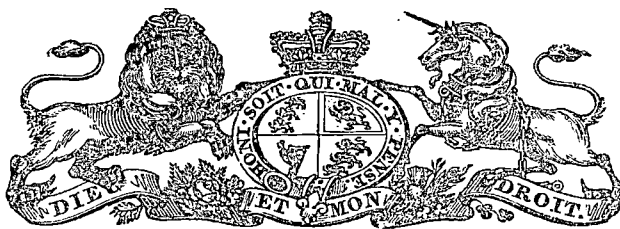


(No. 2.)



1859.

T A S M A N I A.

IMMIGRATION AGENT'S REPORT

FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER, 1858.

Presented by Mr. Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be printed,
5 August, 1859.



Immigration Office, Hobart Town, 31st December, 1858.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to submit my Report on Immigration for the Half-year ending this day, including Tabular Statements showing the particulars of the 201 Emigrants arrived,—chiefly by the *Constance*.

In the Report for the Half-year ending 30th June last, six Immigrants who had arrived at Launceston were omitted. In Statements Nos. 1 and 2 this omission is supplied, the statements including both half years.

2. I had the honor to submit a Special Report upon the Ship *Constance*, bringing female Immigrants selected by the Family Colonisation Society.

Taken as a whole, these female Immigrants and other recent selections, notwithstanding the pains taken by the Society, are very far from being such as the Colony requires, and a large proportion of them are altogether objectionable.

3. The reduced scale of the Establishment rendered it impossible, during the past half-year, to give the requisite attention to the prevention of Immigrants leaving the Colony without repaying the proportion of passage-money due, and the receipts from this source at Hobart Town during the half year have been small; the total amount, however, collected by the Department from Immigrants as part repayment of passage-money after arrival amounts, to the end of 1858, to £9867 2s. 10d.

4. I have to submit that the rates of wages and demand for labour continue much the same as during the two preceding half-years. Of ordinary labourers there is no deficiency. Superior farm labour is in request, especially in the northern part of the Island.

For useful female domestic servants there continues to be a very great and increasing demand. I can only beg to refer to the representations I have submitted on this head in former Reports regarding the great importance of a superior immigration of this description.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

JOHN D. LOCH, *Immigration Agent.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

No. 2.

STATEMENT of the NATIVE COUNTRIES and RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS of IMMIGRANTS introduced into Tasmania, during the two Half-years of 1858.

	Married.		Single.		Children.		Total Souls.
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
<i>First Half-year of 1858.</i>							
England	28	28	103	45	32	30	266
Scotland .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ireland .....	..	..	4	6	..	..	10
Other Countries .....	..	1	..	..	..	1	2
TOTALS.....	28	29	107	51	32	31	278
Protestants	28	29	106	51	32	31	277
Roman Catholics .....	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Other Religions .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTALS.....	28	29	107	51	32	31	278
<i>Second Half-year of 1858.</i>							
England	7	8	10	110	5	16	156
Scotland	2	1	4	13	2	..	22
Ireland.....	..	..	1	20	1	..	22
Other Countries .....	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
TOTALS.....	9	9	15	144	8	16	201
Protestants	9	9	14	129	7	16	184
Roman Catholics.....	..	..	1	15	1	..	17
Other Religions .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTALS.....	9	9	15	144	8	16	201
GRAND TOTAL FOR THE WHOLE YEAR	37	38	122	195	40	47	479

In the Report for the first half-year of 1858 Six Immigrants arrived at Launceston were omitted: the above corrected statement includes those persons.

JOHN D. LOCH, *Immigration Agent.*

No. 3.

CONDITION of the BOUNTY IMMIGRATION SYSTEM under the Regulations of the 24th January, 1854, up to the 31st December, 1858.

	ON DEPOSIT.		BLANK TICKETS.			
			FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM.		FROM GERMANY.	
	Family Tickets.	Single Tickets.	Family Tickets.	Single Tickets.	Family Tickets.	Single Tickets.
Issued	891	1329	124	200	100	200
Less certified for payment—						
United Kingdom... <small>Fam. Tich. Sing. Tich.</small> 694 .. 999 }	725	1025	123	194	100	198
Germany	31	26	—	—	—	—
Cancelled	102	164	—	1	—	2
Overdue	64	140	1	5	—	—
Outstanding	—	—	—	—	—	—

JOHN D. LOCH, *Immigration Agent.*

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No. 4.

CONDITION of the BOUNTY IMMIGRATION SYSTEM under the Regulations of the 1st March, 1856, up to the 31st December, 1858.

	ON DEPOSIT.		BLANK TICKETS. FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM.	
	<i>Family Tickets.</i>	<i>Single Tickets.</i>	<i>Family Tickets.</i>	<i>Single Tickets.</i>
Issued	540	1198	26	500
Less certified for payment, or acted on*	426	861	6	149
— cancelled	69	202	—	—
Overdue †	—	—	—	—
Outstanding	45	135	20	351

* The Bounty Tickets for the Bounty Immigrants per *Trade Wind* were not certified in consequence of the conditions not having been observed as regards the treatment of the Immigrants, the ship being paid an aggregate sum, less expenses incurred on account of Quarantine: the Tickets were, however, acted on for the introduction of Emigrants, and therefore appear under this head.

† The period for payment of the Tickets under these Regulations was extended by *Gazette Notice* of 22nd November, 1858, till the end of 1859: there are, consequently, none overdue.

JOHN D. LOCH, *Immigration Agent.*

No. 5.

CONDITION of the BOUNTY IMMIGRATION SYSTEM under the Regulations of the 1st July, 1856, up to the 31st December, 1858.

	ON DEPOSIT.			BLANK TICKETS.	
	<i>Family Tickets.</i>	<i>Man & Wife Tickets.</i>	<i>Single Tickets.</i>	<i>Family Tickets.</i>	<i>Single Tickets.</i>
Issued	95	11	187	6	150
Less certified for payment, or acted on*	69	6	115	6	129
Cancelled	19	5	47	—	—
Overdue †	—	—	—	—	—
Outstanding	7	—	25	—	21

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No. 6.

OCCUPATIONS of the Male Immigrants introduced during the Half-year ending 31st December, 1858.

	<i>Married.</i>	<i>Single.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Agricultural Labourers	1	4	5
Boot and Shoemaker	1	..	1
Baker	1	..	1
Butchers	1	1	2
Cabinet-maker	1	..	1
Carpenters	1	1	2
Clog-maker .....	..	1	1
Errand Boys .....	..	2	2
Farm Bailiff	1	..	1
Gardeners	1	2	3
Shepherds	2	2
Shop Boy	1	1
Tailor	1	1
Tin Plate Worker	1	..	1
<i>Total</i>	9	15	24

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No. 7.

OCCUPATIONS of Female Immigrants introduced during the Half-year ending 31st December, 1858.

Bookbinder	1
Bookfolder	1
Cooks (Professed)	11
Dressmaker	1
Farm House and Dairy Maid	1
Farm Servant	1
Governesses or Teachers	8
General Servants	33
Housemaids	58
Laundresses	5
Milliners	3
Monthly Nurse	1
Needlewomen	2
Nurserymaids	13
Shopwomen	5
<i>Total</i>	<u>144</u>

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