

NEW
BRUNSWICK.

I beg leave to direct your Lordship's attention to the statement of the emigration agent with reference to the stock of provisions on board this vessel, as well as to the following sentence in his letter.

"The passengers by the 'Linden' were chiefly persons who had held land in Ireland and who shipped off, leaving considerable arrears of rent unpaid: consequently they possess some money."

4. Copy of letter from Mr. Perley with reference to the brig "Adeline Cann," together with the ship return for the same.

4th Enclosure.

I have, &c.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey,
&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) EDMUND HEAD.

(No. 34.)

Enclosure 1 in No. 5.

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Government Emigration Office, St. John,
June 17, 1848.

SIR,

I HAVE to report the arrival of the ship "Lord Maidstone" from Londonderry with 343 passengers, and enclose a ship return.

These passengers were of a superior class of persons, chiefly farmers and their families, a fair proportion of whom join friends already settled in this province; the rest (about one-half) will proceed to the United States.

The provisions on board this vessel were of superior quality. There was a surgeon on board, and great attention was paid to cleanliness.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. John S. Saunders,
Provincial Secretary.

(Signed) M. H. PERLEY,
H. M. Emigration Officer.

(No. 35.)

Enclosure 2 in No. 5.

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Government Emigration Office, St. John,
June 22, 1848.

SIR,

I HAVE to report the arrival of the barque "Springhill" from Donegal, with 103 passengers, and brig "Dealy," from Berehaven, with 128 passengers, for which vessels ship returns are enclosed.

The passengers by these vessels are in general very destitute. Those who have sufficient means go at once to the United States. For those who are compelled to remain there is no work, as the amount of employment appears to decrease every week, owing to the depression in the timber trade. As the season advances it is quite probable that hundreds who are now engaged will be thrown out of work altogether.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. John S. Saunders,
Provincial Secretary.

(Signed) M. H. PERLEY,
H. M. Emigration Officer.

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(No. 36.)

Government Emigration Office, St. John,
June 24, 1848.

SIR,

I HAVE to report the arrival of the barque "Linden," from Galway, with 177 passengers, and enclose a ship return.

The "Linden" came into port after eight days detention at quarantine, and after landing all the passengers at Partridge Island. Some of those who have come up from the island state that they had not a full supply of provisions from the ship, and that the master compelled each of them, before embarking in Galway, to put on board five stone of oatmeal.

Another portion of the passengers have published a card of thanks to the master. Those who have complained declined prosecuting.

I have strong grounds for believing that the provisions put on board by the passengers for their own use were examined and passed as the ship's stock, the master of this vessel having been guilty of that trick in 1846. The Act of Parliament of 1847 (section 3) was expressly framed to prevent the like in future.

The victualling bill at Galway is signed by the collector of Customs and the searcher at that port, but the quantities of bread stuffs and provisions are left *in blank*, which is exceedingly careless. I am thus deprived of the means of ascertaining whether the Act of Parliament has been evaded or not.

The master of the "Linden" having left the ship with his wife and come up to lodgings in the city while the vessel was in quarantine, the visiting physician has reported this breach of the quarantine laws to the Common Council, who will, no doubt, take the necessary steps thereupon.

10 & 11 Vic., c. 103,
s. 3.