

of their proceedings, and as your Lordship might wish for a more detailed statement than that I now offer, I shall do myself the honour of addressing your Lordship again upon the subject.

I have, &c.

The Right Honourable
Viscount Goderich,
&c. &c. &c.

(signed) *James Kempt.*

Halifax, September 7th.

Sir,

I BEG leave to state, for the information of his Excellency, the arrival of brig James, Grace, master, from Waterford, last from St. John's, Newfoundland, which port she left 29th August, with 120 passengers, all labouring under typhus fever, which has extended itself to the crew who are dangerously ill; I have therefore ordered the said vessel to remain at quarantine till his Excellency's pleasure shall be known; several deaths occurred during the vessel's stay at Newfoundland, and two on the passage from Newfoundland here.

Enclosure.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

Sir Rupert D. George, Bart.
&c. &c. &c.

(signed) *Charles W. Wallace.*

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Copy of a DESPATCH, and its Enclosure, from Sir James Kempt to Mr. Secretary Huskisson, dated 25th November 1827.

Halifax, Nova Scotia, 25th November 1827.

Sir,

IN my Despatch of the 7th of September last, addressed to Lord Goderich, (to which I beg to refer,) I had the honour of bringing under his lordship's notice the pernicious effects that had resulted from the repeal of the Act of Parliament "for regulating Vessels carrying Passengers," and I now take leave to transmit to you, and to call your particular attention to the enclosed copy of a report made to me by a Committee of His Majesty's Council, representing in very forcible terms the necessity of reviving those Regulations, or the substitution of some other legislative enactment to prevent the recurrence of the alarming evils that have been experienced in this province in the course of the present year.

I stated in that letter that I had been under the necessity of establishing (and at a very considerable expense) an hospital expressly for the relief of the emigrants who had arrived from Ireland in the wretched state therein described.

Sickness has now so far disappeared as to enable me to discontinue that establishment, but I am sorry to say that the mortality that has taken place in this town within these few months is quite unprecedented.

Although the climate is particularly healthy, and the most humane and judicious measures were adopted to prevent the diffusion of disease, yet out of a population of 11,000, more than 800 have died since the month of January last, two-thirds of whom were either emigrants from Ireland, or whose deaths were occasioned by infectious disease introduced by them.

I feel that I need say no more to induce His Majesty's Government to take the subject into serious consideration.

I have, &c.

The Right Honourable
W^m Huskisson.
&c. &c. &c.

(signed) *James Kempt.*