

General, his officers, nor the Colonial Government, can be responsible in any way for loss thereof, or damage thereto, on land or at sea. All packages are examined at the depôt before being shipped.

*Information for Emigrants.*—None but first-class steamers or sailing ships are engaged, and these are despatched from Plymouth or other ports, according to arrangement. At Plymouth there is a depôt, fitted expressly for the reception of emigrants, who are lodged and fed free of charge, from the date named in their 'Embarkation Orders' until they embark. Emigrants must travel to Plymouth or other port, as the case may be, at their own expense. The reduced emigrant fare from London is 15s. per adult.

The Agent-General has also arranged with the London Branch of the Bank of New South Wales to issue drafts, payable on demand in Sydney, in exchange for money, to emigrants proceeding to New South Wales. These drafts may be procured, *free of cost*, from the Bank authorities, at the depôts, before embarkation. Persons having money with them are strongly advised to avail themselves of the opportunity thus offered, and so make themselves secure against loss, to which they are liable in carrying money either on their persons or in their baggage.

The ships are fitted with studied regard for the health and comfort of the emigrants, and for the preservation of good order amongst them. Berths are available for married couples and their children under 12 years. Single adults are provided with separate accommodation according to sex. The unmarried females, for whom a great demand exists in New South Wales, are placed under the care of a Matron. An experienced Surgeon accompanies each ship.

The emigrants are victualled on board in messes of about eight adults in number, and are provided with a more liberal dietary scale than that allowed under the Act of Parliament. Children between 1 and 12 receive half rations in addition to an allowance of jam or marmalade, preserved soup, egg, and milk. A special dietary is provided for children above 4 months and under 1 year. There is also an abundant supply of medical comforts, such as arrowroot, sago, wine, stout, preserved soups, broths, &c., for use in cases of sickness. Emigrants receive fresh baked bread daily, made from a