

No. 1.  
VAN DIEMEN'S  
LAND.  
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Report of the  
Ladies' Committee.

many have quitted those situations and sought a home with abandoned and depraved characters, of whom there are many in this town willing enough to receive them, and influenced, it is to be feared, by the most unworthy motives. The committee would therefore most earnestly hope that in future none under 17 or 18 years of age might be induced by any assistance from the Government to emigrate to this colony, where the first lesson they learn is, that they are free, and subject to no control but such as they are willing to submit to. The committee are desirous to urge this point very strongly for the serious consideration of the Government, both as it affects the welfare of the young emigrants themselves, and also for the sake of the best interests of this community, which surely cannot be better served than in promoting by every means the advancement of religion and virtue, and preventing the increase of immorality and crime.

Although the committee feel convinced that the good reputation which the emigrants by the Sarah enjoy arises from the care and discernment shown in their selection, yet they cannot, with justice to the superintendents, Mr. and Mrs. Logan, omit to notice that the preservation of habits of industry, sobriety and good conduct are entirely due to them, resulting from the strict and consistent discipline maintained by them whilst on board ship. The system adopted throughout the voyage appears to have been so blended with kindness and affectionate interest in the welfare of every individual under their care, as to have gained from all both attachment and respect.

It is to be regretted that their meritorious exertions were whole unaided by the surgeon of the ship, whose habits and conduct were ill suited to the responsible and important situation in which he was placed.

Of the care and attention bestowed upon the emigrants by Mr. and Mrs. Logan during the voyage the committee of course can only judge by the gratifying results; of their usefulness and uniform exertions in furthering the views of all the emigrants since their landing, the committee have had ample opportunity of witnessing, and they cannot withhold their especial notice of it. The total disregard of themselves manifested by Mr. and Mrs. Logan in giving up the whole of their time and attention to the one object, that of assisting the committee in promoting the advantageous settlement of each individual, deserve their best acknowledgments. Of their own prospects Mr. and Mrs. Logan never appeared to think until all were provided for.

Despatch from  
Lieut.-gov. Arthur  
to R. W. Hay, Esq.  
2 Sept. 1835.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Lieutenant-governor *Arthur* to *R. W. Hay, Esq.*; dated Van Diemen's Land, Government House, 2d September 1835.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to transmit herewith, for the information of the Secretary of State, Returns showing the average wages of mechanics and labourers, and the prices of provisions in Van Diemen's Land, during the half year terminating on the 30th June last.

I have, &c.

(signed) *Geo Arthur.*

Wages  
of Mechanics.

No. 1.—A RETURN showing the AVERAGE WAGES of MECHANICS and Others in the Island of *Van Diemen's Land*, for the Six Months ending 30th June 1835; obtained from Returns transmitted from the respective Districts of the Colony to this Office; together with the Aggregate Number of each description required for the same period.

TRADE or CALLING.	Average Wages per Diem, without Board or Lodging.	Average Wages per Diem, with Board and Lodging.	Average Wages per Annum, with Board and Lodging.	Total Number required.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
Bread and Biscuit Bakers - - -	- 3 4 ½	- 1 11	28 6 8	11
Butchers - - - - -	- 4 1	- 2 2	30 5 8	17
Boat-builders - - - - -	- 7 1	- 5 -	42 - -	8
Brick makers - - - - -	- 6 1	- 4 3	45 11 5	52
Bricklayers - - - - -	- 6 10 ½	- 4 8 ½	51 10 -	43
Bellows-makers - - - - -	no rate given	-	-	-
Blacksmiths - - - - -	- 7 1	- 4 11	53 8 6	28
Bellhangers - - - - -	- 7 4	- 4 9	40 - -	6
Brass-founders - - - - -	- 6 6	- 4 0	50 - -	1
Brewers' Maltsters - - - - -	- 4 9	- 2 11	42 16 -	12
Collar-makers - - - - -	- 5 8	- 3 6	44 5 -	7
Confectioners - - - - -	- 3 9	- 2 6	30 - -	3
Chair-makers - - - - -	- 7 5	- 5 10 ½	55 10 -	12
Curriers - - - - -	- 5 4	- 2 11 ½	41 16 -	23
Carpenters - - - - -	- 6 9	- 4 8	54 2 6	66
Caulkers - - - - -	- 5 -	- 3 -	40 - -	2
Coopers - - - - -	- 6 7	- 4 3	59 - -	23
Cart-makers - - - - -	- 7 1	- 5 1	52 16 8	30