

WEEK ending 30 September.

THE emigrants arrived during the past week have all landed in good health, notwithstanding their long passages, the average of which is over 51 days. They are also emigrating to join their friends in different sections of the province.

In the "Amazon," from London, there are 83 steerage and 19 cabin passengers. Of the former, 58 were sent out under the sanction of the Poor Law Commissioners. They received their landing-money here, and were forwarded to Montreal at the ship's expense. Several of the cabin passengers have brought out capital with them, and intend settling in the Eastern Townships.

The passengers per "Henry," from Dublin, 116 in number, are principally women and children. They are all extremely poor, and have been provided with a free passage by their landlord, Butler Clarke, Esq., to this port. They are proceeding to the Home, Gore, and Niagara districts, to friends. Sixteen passengers per "Unicorn," from Cork, all require assistance to enable them to proceed. They consist of four families, women and children, coming out to join their husbands. The remainder of the passengers arrived this week are of the better class, and all appear to have sufficient means to enable them to reach their respective destinations. The emigration during the remainder of the season will be very limited. All the vessels reported to this office have arrived, with the exception of one, the "John and Robert," with 41 passengers, from Belfast.

WEEK ending 14 October.

THE emigration for the present season may now be considered closed. Those who have arrived since the 1st instant consist of farmers, labourers, and a few mechanics; and all have emigrated to join their relations and friends, settled in different sections of the province. They have all landed in good health. Average length of passage has been 47 days.

The passengers in the "John and Robert" are a part of the unfortunate emigrants who embarked from the Western Isles in the ship "Catherine," in the month of May, and after being five weeks at sea, put into Belfast in distress. They were there transhipped on board this vessel. Captain M'Kechney landed 200 at Ship Harbour, in the Gut of Canso, and brought the remainder, 22, on to this port. These people are all destitute, and were forwarded to their friends at the expense of this department. Total number of persons assisted this month is 63.

No. 11.

EXTRACT of a COMMUNICATION on the subject of the Prosecution of the Brig "Mary Ann," from Bideford, dated Government Emigration Office, Quebec, 28 July 1843.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to report, for the information of his Excellency the Governor-general, the particulars and result of the proceedings adopted by me against the master of the brig "Mary Ann," from Bideford, in consequence of information received from the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, a copy of which I enclose for your information.

Having ascertained, on my boarding this vessel, that the facts reported to the Emigration Commissioners by the officer of customs at Bideford were correct, I immediately placed the necessary information in the hands of A. W. Cochran, Esq. for prosecution.

The case was fully proved to the satisfaction of the sitting magistrates, and a penalty of 15 £ sterling, with costs, was awarded against the master. He, it would appear, fearing the result of the trial, withdrew himself, and is supposed to have left the province. I herewith enclose you a copy of the report on this case, received from Mr. Cochran, and I trust the suggestions therein contained may meet with the approval of his Excellency, in order to prevent a recurrence of so flagrant a violation of the Act.

I beg to state that Mr. Thomas Curry, the consignee of this vessel, stated to me a few days previous to the trial, that in the event of judgment being given against the master, I might take him for the amount, as he would place another person in charge, and send the vessel home. This, I have no doubt, the master got a hint of, which may have induced him to withdraw, and thus defeat the law.

I have also to report the proceedings adopted by me against Captain Nicholas, of the barque "Champlain," from Baltimore, Ireland. On boarding this vessel, the passengers complained of the quality of the biscuit issued to them by the ship, as being so bad, from blue mould, that they could not eat it. A sample of the bread was produced and examined in presence of the master and owner, and appeared to be of a mixed and inferior quality, and all more or less mouldy and rotten, and unfit for food. Mr. C. Marmion, the owner of the vessel, stated that he bought the bread in Cork, from Mr. G. O'Neile, baker, for 11 s. per cwt., and when it was brought on board it was free from mould, and was considered good wholesome bread, and as such was inspected and passed by the officer of customs, and that the same bread was used by the master and crew. I, however, considered it my duty to bring the case before the magistrates, who, on hearing the witness for the defence, dismissed the action, as they did not consider that the blame lay with the captain or owner, who it appears used every precaution to procure good bread, but that they were imposed upon by the baker.

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