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# HEALTH OFFICER.

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## REPORT

FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1858.

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PRESENTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND.

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By Authority:

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Queenscliff, 25th August, 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward you my Report for the six months ending 30th of June, comprised under the following heads :—

- 1st. Return of vessels boarded during the six months ending 30th of June.
- 2nd. Return of vessels arrived from the port of London.
- 3rd. Return of vessels arrived from the port of Liverpool.
- 4th. Return of vessels from various ports in the United Kingdom.
- 5th. Return of vessels from various ports in the United States.
- 6th. Return of vessels carrying Government Immigrants.
- 7th. Return of the average passage of Government Immigrant vessels, with proportion of deaths to passengers, and rate per cent. of ditto.
- 8th. Return of the average passage of vessels from London and Liverpool, and from various ports in the United Kingdom and United States.
- 9th. Return shewing total number of vessels from all ports, crews, proportion of deaths, and rate per cent. of ditto.
- 10th. Return shewing the total number of passengers arrived from all ports, with total crews ; also the number of deaths and causes, distinguishing passengers from crews.
- 11th. Return of vessels placed in quarantine.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. ROBERTSON, M.D.,

Health Officer.

The Chief Medical Officer,  
Melbourne.

## No. 1.

RETURN of Vessels boarded by the Health Officer during the six months ending 30th of June, 1858.

January ...	46	May ...	32
February ...	51	June ...	28
March ...	37		
April ...	38	Total ...	232

## No. 2.

RETURN of Vessels arrived from the Port of London.

Name.	Tonnage.	Length of Passage.	No. of Passengers.	Deaths.	Crews.	Deaths.
Magi ...	664	Days. 92	1	...	18	...
Margaret Smith ...	633	107	2	...	21	...
Wycliff ...	360	107	...	...	20	...
North America ...	1,602	98	53	...	20	...
El Dorado ...	979	120	8	...	26	...
Child of the Regiment ...	1,193	117	...	...	21	...
Concordia ...	562	120	1	...	16	1
Kinaldi ...	757	89	24	...	26	...
C. A. Farewell ...	1,246	92	17	...	27	...
Emily Farnham ...	1,297	93	14	...	27	...
Norfolk ...	953	68	190	3	60	...
Siam ...	743	128	15	...	22	...
Hindustan ...	646	110	...	...	22	...
Clarissa Bird ...	1,074	85	12	...	24	...
Sir C. Napier ...	1,161	91	99	...	42	...
Wild Ranger ...	984	85	6	...	28	...
Nemesis ...	444	129	4	...	16	...
Esmerelda ...	440	127	...	...	17	...
Witch of the Wave ...	1,199	105	1	...	31	...
Borodino ...	767	94	2	...	22	...
Eagle ...	1,080	86	76	...	44	...
Princess ...	403	94	5	...	20	...
Saracen ...	1,266	98	9	...	32	...
Jeanie W. Paine ...	663	82	...	...	19	...
Ocean Traveller ...	763	93	...	...	16	...
Laughing Water ...	950	100	8	...	22	...
H. C. Kidston ...	1,444	106	16	...	32	...
Saint Michael ...	318	112	2	...	13	...
Sumatra ...	1,041	101	...	...	30	...
Thames ...	579	92	33	...	24	...
Essex ...	700	84	96	...	40	...
Cherubim ...	1,546	82	10	...	33	...
Loo Choo ...	916	95	...	...	22	...
Johann en Gertrude ...	749	116	13	...	24	...
Maverick ...	735	105	...	...	20	...
Suffolk ...	1,020	75	110	...	50	1
Alfred Lamont ...	752	99	...	...	14	...
Adelicia ...	428	96	...	...	17	...
William Kirk ...	737	104	...	...	21	...
Von Laffert Leken ...	423	135	...	...	16	...
Matocka ...	1,092	80	101	...	42	...
Caroline ...	725	109	...	...	21	...
Ann Lee ...	383	112	...	...	13	...
De Salalery ...	853	120	...	...	22	...
Maidstone ...	931	82	131	2	44	...
Total ...	38,201	4,515	1,059	5	1,157	2

## No. 3.

RETURN of Vessels arrived from the Port of Liverpool.

Name.	Tonnage.	Length of Passage.	No. of Passengers.	Deaths.	Crews.	Deaths.
		Days.				
Turon ... ..	1,200	76	178	2	39	...
British Lion ... ..	1,162	96	210	3	45	...
Merlin ... ..	1,030	83	108	1	32	...
Planter ... ..	1,904	85	362	1	63	1
Red Jacket ... ..	1,597	68	472	...	65	...
Chancellor ... ..	1,853	100	324	1	54	...
Shooting Star ... ..	1,362	86	318	...	47	...
Queen of the East ... ..	1,228	84	250	2	39	...
Anglo Saxon ... ..	1,104	106	197	2	42	...
	1,500	106	177	2	42	...
Herald ... ..	1,194	114	319	3	45	...
Alice Walton ... ..	767	89	76	...	27	...
Oceanica ... ..	1,320	94	424	6	50	...
Caraboo ... ..	1,070	90	166	...	34	1
Royal Charter ... ..	2,500	64	370	...	127	...
Minchaha ... ..	845	127	34	...	24	...
Sultana ... ..	1,316	94	167	2	48	...
Tornado ... ..	1,800	92	373	3	70	2
Macauley ... ..	1,139	84	171	...	40	...
Exodus ... ..	1,110	75	100	...	39	1
James Booth ... ..	636	141	17	...	25	...
Senator ... ..	1,734	93	160	1	27	...
Scottish Chief ... ..	1,532	88	220	...	34	...
Acadia ... ..	710	113	13	...	29	...
Tuleika ... ..	905	84	72	...	35	...
Maria ... ..	856	94	1	...	25	...
Winefred ... ..	1,359	100	139	1	40	...
James Chester ... ..	1,073	101	55	...	38	...
Royal Saxon ... ..	1,118	87	100	...	36	...
Americana ... ..	1,046	95	100	...	32	...
Northern Bride ... ..	850	97	46	...	29	...
Monsoon ... ..	1,084	85	174	1	30	...
Young America ... ..	1,863	70	357	...	61	...
Florence ... ..	1,042	150	150	1	42	...
James Brown ... ..	996	89	186	2	30	...
Woodstock ... ..	910	129	...	...	27	...
Total ... ..	44,715	3,429	6,586	34	1,512	5

## No. 4.

RETURN of Vessels arrived from various Ports in the United Kingdom.

Name.	Tonnage.	Length of Passage.	No. of Passengers.	Deaths.	Crews.	Deaths.
		Days.				
Java Kourier ... ..	540	110	...	...	20	...
Pericles ... ..	991	103	21	...	35	...
Adriatic ... ..	302	107	5	...	14	...
Countess of Elgin ... ..	1,204	103	237	4	58	...
Chesterholme ... ..	760	102	48	...	23	...
Maid of the Mist ... ..	1,221	103	24	...	32	...
Andromache ... ..	468	116	3	...	19	...
Fenella ... ..	440	118	4	...	18	...
Esmerelda ... ..	1,188	102	16	...	31	...
Carried forward ... ..	7,114	964	358	4	250	...

UNITED KINGDOM—*continua.*

Name.	Tonnage.	Length of Passage.	No of Passengers.	Deaths.	Crews.	Deaths.
		Days.				
Brought forward ...	7,114	964	358	4	250	...
Hope ...	435	104	4	...	18	...
Constance ...	785	108	...	...	23	...
Bruce ...	1,110	94	7	...	33	1
Auguste Mora ...	276	75	...	...	13	...
Wellfleet ...	1,472	75	123	2	44	...
Minnehaha ...	785	102	13	...	26	...
Mary Agnes ...	520	113	...	...	20	...
Iona ...	846	90	1	...	30	...
Industry ...	487	144	8	...	22	...
Gulnare ...	1,002	109	11	...	28	...
William Carey ...	589	137	11	...	20	1
Agincourt ...	1,010	83	120	...	60	2
Storm Queen ...	1,022	101	9	...	28	1
Total ...	17,543	2,299	665	6	615	5

## No. 5.

## RETURN of Vessels from Various Ports in the United States.

Name.	Tonnage.	Length of Passage.	No. of Passengers.	Deaths.	Crews.	Deaths.
		Days.				
Anne Jane ...	301	63	...	...	14	...
Christopher Hill ...	648	110	30	...	18	...
Lucy S. Hale ...	421	67	62	...	17	...
Bold Hunter ...	797	90	85	...	22	...
White Sea ...	597	109	2	...	11	...
Johanna Lange ...	1,200	85	105	...	31	...
Rein Hard ...	700	91	47	...	22	...
Waverley ...	749	152	27	3	22	...
Whirlwind ...	961	71	2	...	26	...
Astraca ...	749	93	24	1	20	...
Vaquero ...	370	74	54	...	14	...
H. S. Telford ...	593	86	50	...	17	...
State of Maine ...	726	98	1	...	19	...
Tuisco ...	750	101	39	...	21	...
Revenue ...	546	94	16	...	17	...
Samuel Appleton ...	796	79	...	...	20	...
Sea Witch ...	198	62	27	...	11	...
Telegraph ...	563	96	...	...	14	...
Charles Hill ...	699	111	6	...	18	...
Ocean Rover ...	776	95	27	...	22	...
Cockimbo ...	671	114	...	...	28	...
Atalanta ...	699	96	...	...	20	...
Minnehaha ...	1,695	111	44	...	30	...
Sebastian Cabot ...	1,335	89	66	...	28	1
Total ...	17,540	2,237	714	4	482	1

## No. 6.

## RETURN of Vessels carrying Government Immigrants.

Name.	Tonnage.	Length of Passage.	No. of Passengers.	Deaths.	Crews.	Deaths.
		Days.				
Bermondsey ... ..	501	106	217	2	21	...
Caractacus ... ..	889	89	343	9	38	...
Merchant Prince ... ..	1,745	92	470	7	60	...
Sea Park ... ..	835	99	201	2	28	...
Rodney ... ..	877	92	310	3	39	...
Empress Eugenie ... ..	875	74	339	3	36	...
Coldstream ... ..	756	101	194	1	36	...
Arabian ... ..	1,067	90	365	13	44	...
Admiral Boxer ... ..	1,000	76	391	1	44	1
Parsee ... ..	1,050	84	407	2	42	...
Atalanta ... ..	930	94	306	2	41	...
Rising Sun ... ..	824	88	324	1	39	...
Total ... ..	11,349	1,085	3,867	46	468	1

## No. 7.

## RETURN shewing Average Passage of Government Immigrant Vessels, with proportion of Deaths to Passengers, and rate per cent. of ditto.

No. of Vessels.	Average Passage.	No. of Passengers.	Deaths.	Rate per cent. of ditto.
12	90 days	3,867	46	1·19

## No. 8.

## RETURN shewing Average Passage of Vessels from London, Liverpool, and from various Ports in the United Kingdom and United States ; with proportion of Deaths to Passengers, and rate per cent. of ditto.

Where from.	No. of Vessels.	Average Passage.	No. of Passengers.	Deaths.	Rate per cent. of ditto.
		Days.			
London ... ..	45	100	1,059	5	0·47
Liverpool ... ..	36	95	6,586	34	0·51
United Kingdom ... ..	22	104	665	6	0·90
United States ... ..	24	93	2,237	4	0·17

## No. 9.

RETURN shewing Total Number of Vessels from all Ports, Crews, proportion of Deaths, and rate per cent of ditto.

No. of Vessels.	No. of Crews.	No. of Deaths.	Rate per cent. of ditto.
232	6,826	26	0·38

## No. 10.

RETURN shewing the Total Number of Passengers from all Ports, with Total Crews ; also the Number of Deaths and Causes, distinguishing Passengers from Crews.

Total Passengers.	Total Deaths.	Causes.	No. of Deaths.	Total Crews.	Total Deaths.	Causes.	No. of Deaths.
15,740	101	Consumption ... ..	11	6,826	26	Drowned ... ..	10
		Fever ... ..	12			Delirium Tremens ... ..	1
		Hooping Cough ... ..	8			Consumption ... ..	2
		Diarrhoea ... ..	11			Unknown ... ..	1
		Drowned ... ..	4			Dysentery ... ..	1
			2			Diarrhoea ... ..	1
		Delirium Tremens ... ..	2			Fever ... ..	4
		Convulsions ... ..	3			Cholera ... ..	1
		Dysentery ... ..	2			Wounds ... ..	2
		Hepatic Disease ... ..	2			Pneumonia ... ..	1
		Marasmus ... ..	3			Old Age ... ..	1
		Dentition ... ..	3			Apoplexy ... ..	1
		Premature Birth ... ..	1				
		Hydrocephalus... ..	1				
		Bronchitis ... ..	2				
		Unknown ... ..	3				
		Stricture of Urethra ... ..	1				
		Gastritis ... ..	2				
		Small-Pox ... ..	2				
		Phrenitis ... ..	4				
		Pneumonia ... ..	4				
		Tabes Mesenterica ... ..	1				
		Dropsy... ..	1				
		Debility ... ..	5				
		Scarlatina ... ..	3				
		Atrophy ... ..	1				
		Old Age ... ..	1				
		Sore Throat ... ..	1				
		Heart Disease ... ..	3				
		Overlain ... ..	1				
		Menorrhagia ... ..	1				



## No. 11.

## RETURN of Vessels placed in Quarantine.

Date.	Vessel's Name.	Where from.	Nature of Disease causing Quarantine.	Duration of Quarantine.	Number of Passengers.	Deaths on Voyage.	Deaths in Quarantine.	Whether Government Immigrant or other Vessel.
				Days.				
1858. Jan. 31	Bermondsey ...	Plymouth ...	Fever ...	12	217	2	7	Government immigrants.
Feb. 24	Merchant Prince	Liverpool ...	Scarlatina ...	3	470	7	2	Ditto.
Mar. 21	Tornado ...	"	Small-Pox ...	6	373	3	...	Private passengers.
" 22	Waverley ...	Rio Janeiro	Quarantine of Observation	3	27	3	...	Ditto.
Apr. 27	Arabian ...	Liverpool ...	Fever ...	2	365	13	1	Government immigrants.
May 7	Black Swan ...	London ...	Small-Pox	5	50	13	...	Private passengers.
June 8	Atalanta ...	Plymouth ...	Fever ...	1	396	2	...	Government immigrants.