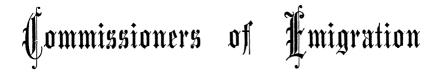
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OF THE

# STATE OF NEW YORK,

For the Year ending December 31st, 1885.

TRANSMITTED TO THE LEGISLATURE FEBRUARY, 1886.

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FEBRUARY 16th, 1886.

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

Hon. EDWARD F. JONES, President of the Senate :

SIR—I have the honor to transmit herewith the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Emigration, for the year ending December 31, 1885.

I am, sir, your obedient servant, HENRY A. HURLBUT, President.

# BOARD OF

# COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

GEORGE STARR,

HENRY A. HURLBUT, CHARLES F. ULRICH, GEORGE J. FORREST, EDMUND STEPHENSON, CHARLES N. TAINTOR.

# EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS,

The Mayor of the City of New York, WILLIAM R. GRACE.

The President of the Irish Emigrant Society, JAMES LYNCH.

The President of the German Society, CHARLES HAUSELT.

# REPORT.

#### To the Legislature :

The Commissioners of Emigration of the State of New York respectfully present their annual report for the year ending December 31st, 1885, the thirty-ninth since the establishment of the Commission. At the annual meeting of the Board, held on the 17th day of February, 1885, Commissioner Henry A. Hurlbut was elected President, and the following standing committees were appointed for the ensuing year, to wit :

Castle Garden Committee—George Starr (Chairman), Edmund Stephenson, Charles F. Ulrich, George J. Forrest, James Lynch and the President.

Ward's Island Committee—Edmund Stephenson (Chairman), Charles F. Ulrich, Charles N. Taintor, James Lynch, Charles Hauselt and the President.

Finance Committee—George J. Forrest (Chairman), George Starr, Charles N. Taintor, Charles Hauselt, the Mayor and the President.

The work of the Commission is carried on under two general departments, known as the Emigrant Landing Department, at Castle Garden, and the Hospital and Refuge Department at Ward's Island, each of which is specially supervised by a Committee.

### PASSENGERS TO THE PORT OF NEW YORK.

During the year 1885 the number of passengers from foreign ports that arrived at the Port of New York was 346,149, of whom 291,066 were aliens, and 55,083 were citizens of the United States or had previously visited this country. Of the alien passengers 142,928 were adult males, 87,961 were adult females, and 60,177 were children under 12 years of age. The number of alien passengers arriving annually at the Port of New York since the establishment of this Commission in 1847 is as follows :

1847	129,062	1867	242,731
	189,176	1868	213,695
	220,603	1869	258,989
	212,796	1870	212,170
	289,601	1871	227,639
	300,992	1872	294,581
	284,945	1873	266,818
	319,223	1874	140,041
	136,223	1875	84,560
	142,352	1876	68,264
1857	183,773	1877	54,536
1858	78,589	1878	75,347
1859	70,322	1879	135,070
1860	105,162	1880	327,371
1861	65,539	1881	455,681
1862	76,306	1882	476,086
	155,844	188 <b>3</b>	405,909
	180,296	1884	330,030
	196,352	1885	291,066
	233,418		

# CASTLE GARDEN IMMIGRANT LANDING DEPOT.

By virtue of the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed in 1855, the Commissioners of Emigration designated Castle Garden as the legal landing depot of immigrant passengers for the Port of New York, and required all vessels bringing immigrants to New York from foreign ports, to land them at said depot. In 1885, there were landed at Castle Garden 281,177 Steerage passengers, being 39,995 less than the previous year.

The nationality of the immigrants was as follows :

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England	25,657	Armenia	16
Ireland	35,277	Russia	16,835
Scotland	5,796	Bohemia	6,812
Wales	1,111	Finland	16
Germany	97,913	Luxemburg	272
Austria	10,882	Turkey	96
Hungary	11,605	India	8
Sweden	16,045	China	80
Norway	9,974	Japan	5
Denmark	7,507	East Indies	74
Netherland	2,273	Arabia	26
Belgium	1,702	Canada	104
Switzerland	5,739	West Indies	221
France	3,814	Mexico	6
Italy	15,740	Central America	32
Roumania	284	South America	17
Malta	68	Australia	19
Greece	44	Iceland	14
Spain	199	United States	4,869
Portugal	25	-	
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These immigrants arrived from the following ports by the Lines stated :

281,177

The recorded destination of the immigrants was as follows:

Arizona	85	Iowa	10,304
Arkansas	174	Idaho	50
Alabama	157	Indian Territory	21
Australia	- 8	Kentucky	1,243
Alaska	4	Kansas	5,383
British Columbia	91	Louisiana	663
Connecticut	5,269	Maine	229
Colorado	2,189	Maryland	1,715
California	5,638	Michigan	8,733
Canada	2,134	Missouri	7,521
Cuba	23	Minnesota	12,564
Delaware	196	Mississippi	35
District of Columbia	332	Montana	431
Dakota	4,936	Mexico	56
East Indies	29	Massachusetts	7,162
Florida	233	Manitoba	I <b>2</b>
Georgia	248	New Hampshire	183
Indiana	4,189	North Carolina	41
Illinois	35,308	Nebraska	6,013

Nevada	364	Tennessee	317
New Jersey	8,211	Texas	3,575
New York	83,839	Utah	1,788
New Mexico	77	Vermont	262
New Brunswick	8	Virginia	238
New Zealand	I	West Virginia	292
Ohio	13,228	Wisconsin.	15,330
Oregon	618	Washington Territory	175
Pennsylvania.	26,621	Wyoming	159
Rhode Island	2,213	West Indies	II
South Carolina	162	·	
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#### LANDING OF IMMIGRANTS.

The operations of the Board commence on the arrival of a ship from a foreign port, which is boarded by an officer from Castle Garden, who examines and reports to the Commission as to the cleanliness of the vessel, the number of steerage passengers, the number of births and deaths, if any, particulars of any sickness during the voyage, and the nature of any complaints the immigrants may have to make. After examination of their luggage on board ship by the custom officers, the immigrants are transferred to the landing depot by barge or steamboat, and are examined as they enter by the officers of the Bureau, whose object is to discover, in accordance with the law, if any are likely to become a public charge. Upon arrival the immigrants pass into the rotunda of Castle Garden, where everything possible under the circumstances is provided to secure the comfort of the new arrivals; responsible brokers to exchange foreign money at the current rates, without deduction; interpreters speaking and writing every European language; a telegraph office for the forwarding of dispatches, and a restaurant supplying food at reasonable prices.

#### LANDING WHARF.

The Landing Wharf at Castle Garden, which was erected fourteen years ago by the Commissioners of Emigration from State funds, is decaying, and a source of danger and should be rebuilt without delay, but the Board has no money available for the purpose. An appropriation was made by the last Legislature to partially rebuild the wharf, but it was not approved by the Governor. In the opinion of the Commissioners the Legislature should appropriate sufficient money to properly repair and rebuild this wharf.

#### RAILROAD DEPARTMENT.

The following Railroad Companies organized as the "Trunk Lines Joint Agency," are now represented at Castle Garden: The New York, Lake Erie and Western, the New York Central and Hudson River, the Pennsylvania, the Delaware, Lackawana and Western, the New York, West Shore and Buffalo, and the New York, Ontario and Western. From these Railroad Companies immigrants can procure passage tickets at the established rates to any place in the interior. Their baggage is checked, and, with themselves, conveyed without extra charge to the railroad depot.

#### CITY BAGGAGE DELIVERY.

To provide for cases in which immigrants wish their baggage carried to any part of the City of New York or adjacent cities, the Board has entered into a contract with the Castle Garden Express Company, by which it agrees to transport all single packages to one address, below Fourteenth Street, at thirty cents; above Fourteenth Street to Fiftyninth Street, forty cents; above Fifty-ninth Street, fifty cents; Williamsburgh, Brooklyn, Jersey City and Hoboken, fifty cents; Paterson, Newark and Elizabeth, N. J., seventy-five cents.

#### INFORMATION BUREAU.

Of the whole number of immigrants who landed at Castle Garden 20,809 were received by their friends through this bureau; 421 children, not in charge of their parents, were forwarded to their friends; 461 husbands received their wives and children; 436 parents received their children, and 13,784 persons received their kindred of different degree of relationship.

#### EMIGRANT BOARDING-HOUSE KEEPERS.

Boarding-house keepers, duly licensed, are allowed the privilege of entering Castle Garden rotunda. These boarding-houses are frequently inspected by officers of this Commission, and the boarding-house keepers are obliged to provide suitable board and lodging for such emigrants as they may lodge, and at reasonable prices, approved by the Board. From the report made to the Commissioners, there were 37,009 immigrants lodged in these boarding-houses during the year.

# WARD'S ISLAND BUREAU.

This bureau receives all applications from immigrants for admission to the State Emigrant Institutions at Ward's Island, or for other relief. The records of arrivals are kept in this office, and are examined to verify the right of the applicant to aid from the Commission.

Attached to this bureau is a resident physician, whose duty it is to assist the landing officers in inspecting the immigrants when they first land, and to examine all sick and destitute applicants for relief, and to visit all such as are residents of the city.

#### RECEPTION HOSPITAL.

There is at Castle Garden a reception hospital where sick immigrants are cared for until they can be removed to Ward's Island. The number of persons treated in it during the past year was 547. There were 2,190 immigrants treated as dispensary patients and furnished with medicines. There were 25 deaths, and 9 births.

## LABOR BUREAU.

The labor bureau, which is maintained at the expense of the German Society and Irish Emigrant Society, is of benefit to such immigrants as, having no definite plans or destination, desire employment, but are ignorant as to the best means of obtaining it. Many of these are skilled workmen and useful servants. It will, therefore, be readily understood that this labor bureau is valuable alike to the public and to the immigrants. During the year employment was found for 15,539 immigrants, of whom 8,643 were men and 6,896 women. With few exceptions the women are engaged as domestic servants. The cost of transportation is usually defrayed by the employer. The average monthly wages paid farm laborers and house servants were as follows :

MONTH.	Farm- hands.	House Servants.	MONTH.	Farm- hands.	House Servants.
January	<b>\$</b> 8 oo	\$8 00	July	\$13 00	\$10 00
February	850	9 50	August	11 00	10 00
March	11 00	10 00	September	10 00	IO 00 <sup>,</sup>
April	14 00	10 00	October	9 50	10 00
May					
June	14 00	10 00	December	8 00	9 00

## UNITED STATES CUSTOM BUREAU.

This bureau, where all duties on the effects of immigrants must be paid, was established at Castle Garden some years ago in connection with the office of the Collector of the Port. Its officers continue to perform their functions with every regard to the convenience of the immigrant.

#### STATE EMIGRANT REFUGE AND HOSPITALS, WARD'S ISLAND.

On December 31st, 1884, there were in the hospitals 208 patients; and during the year 1885 there were admitted 1,574 immigrants.

The total number treated during the year was, including 90 children born alive, 1,872. Of these 1,602 were discharged cured, and 100 died, leaving on the 31st of December 170 in the hospitals.

On December 31st, 1884, the whole number of immigrants in the Ward's Island institutions was 434. During 1885 there were admitted 2,109 and the number remaining December 31st was 251, as follows : 170 in hospital; 20 in Asylum for the Insane, and 61 in the Refuge.

In addition to the above there were temporarily cared for during the Summer months 892 immigrants, who arrived by the steamship "Weser," from Bremen, and 740 immigrants, who arrived by steamship "Polynesia," from Hamburg, all of whom had been exposed to small-pox.

## EXPENDITURES.

The expenditures of the Commission during the year amounted to \$161,909.96.

These expenditures have been met without cost to the State of New York, the Board having derived its income chiefly from the tax of fifty cents for each immigrant landed, collected from the steamship companies by the U. S. Treasury Department, as provided for in the act of Congress to regulate immigration.

While the Board has met its current expenses, it has not been able, for want of funds, to make necessary repairs to the Emigrant Landing Depot at Castle Garden, nor to the various buildings belonging to the State on Ward's Island.

The following abstract statement will show the amount disbursed during the year 1885. The several items of the several accounts will be found in the financial report appended hereto :

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Ward's Island Expense Account.		
Paid for maintenance of the Institutions, supplies, sala- ries, &c	\$89,455	30
Castle Garden Expense Account.		
Paid expenses of Castle Garden Landing Depot	48,185	31
Rent Account.		
Paid Corporation of City of New York for rent of Castle Garden for 13 months, ending December 31st, 1885	8 <b>,66</b> 6	74
Insurance Account.		
Paid insurance on property at Castle Garden and Ward's Island	1,196	30
Forwarding Account.		
Paid for passages of Immigrants inland and to Europe	3,510	07
Relief Account.		
Paid for meals for Immigrants at Castle Garden, and cash relief	2,728	46
General Expense Account.		
For legal expenses in suit brought by the steamship companies to test the constitu-		
tionality of the act of Congress to regu- late immigration		
For costs and legal services in various suits 1,309 15 For steamboat hire conveying immigrants		
and freight to and from Ward's Island 2,336 63		
	8,167	78
- Total	\$161,909	96

#### CONTRACT WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

The following is the amended contract executed by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Commissioners of Emigration of the State of New York :

This agreement, made this 27th day of September, 1883, pursuant to an act of Congress, entitled "An act to regulate immigration," approved August 3d, 1882, between the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, party of the first part, and the Commissioners of Emigration of the State of New York, party of the second part, witnesseth that the party of the second part undertakes to examine into the condition of alien passengers arriving by vessels from a foreign port at the port of New York, to ascertain who among them are convicts, lunatics, idiots or unable to take care of himself or herself without becoming a public charge, and report the same in writing to the Collector of the port of New York.

The party of the second part will also receive all alien immigrant passengers at Castle Garden, or such other suitable place as may from time to time be secured and under their control for the landing of immigrants, and there provide such means for their accommodations as are now provided, including the necessary interpreters, and shall provide at the hospitals and other public buildings under the control of the party of the second part, suitable accommodations for such alien immigrants as shall become sick, or in distress, or idiots, or lunatics, or a public charge for a period not exceeding one year from the time such immigrant shall have arrived at the port of New York. The party of the second part shall, so far as possible, keep a record of all alien immigrants arriving at the port of New York by vessel from a foreign port, and of the place whence they came. The party of the second part shall also carry out such regulations as the party of the first part shall, from time to time, prescribe pursuant to law, so far as the same are applicable to the port of New York.

The party of the second part agrees to employ the necessary persons for carrying into effect this contract and to render to the party of the first part on the first of each month a sworn statement with vouchers for all items of the necessary expenses of the preceding month incurred by the party of the second part in executing this contract, which account, when audited, shall be paid on or before the fifteenth of the month.

It is the intent and meaning of this contract that neither party shall be bound to execute its provisions or incur any liability beyond the amount of money properly applicable thereto under the act first recited. Provided that this contract may be revoked by either party thereto giving to the other party sixty days' notice in writing, and when sixty days shall have expired after such notice shall be given, this contract shall cease and determine.

In testimony whereof, the party of the first part has hereunto appended his signature and the seal of the Department of the Treasury of the United States, this 27th day of September, 1883.

> CHAS. J. FOLGER, Secretary of the Treasury.

In witness whereof, the party of the second part has executed the foregoing instrument pursuant to a resolution of its Board, and caused its official seal to be attached this 29th day of September, 1883.

HENRY A. HURLBUT, President, Commissioners of Emigration, State of New York.

#### RETURNED IMMIGRANTS.

During the year there were returned, through the agency of the Board, one thousand one hundred and seventy-two immigrants to the countries from whence they came.

It having been found inconvenient and undesirable to detain rejected immigrants on shipboard until the return voyage of the vessel, representations were made by this Board to the Secretary of the Treasury, and, as provided for by Section 3 of the Act to regulate immigration, which authorizes the Secretary to establish such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, as he shall deem best calculated to carry out the provisions of the Act, the following rules as to the examination and detention of rejected immigrants were adopted by the Treasury Department, and were promulgated on the 1st of September, 1885.

1. That all immigrants arriving at ports of the United States shall not be regarded as in fact *landed* within the meaning of the second section of "An act to regulate immigration," approved August 3, 1882, so long as they are undergoing the examination of Commissioners of Emigration, or of their agents, or of State Boards having charge of destitute immigrants, and so long as they are temporarily in the charge of such officers; and any temporary removal of prohibited immigrants from on board ship to a place of convenient examination, care, or treatment as incidental to such examination, shall not be considered *a landing* until such officers shall have discharged such immigrants, or returned them on shipboard.

2. The Commissioners of Emigration of the State of New York, their agents or servants, are hereby authorized and directed to go on board of all vessels arriving from foreign ports at the port of New York, and all immigrants found thereon may be taken to Castle Garden and there examined, and if on such examination there shall be found any persons not entitled to land, the Collector of the port of New York, and the owners, agents, or masters of the vessel on which such persons arrived, shall be forthwith notified in writing; and the Commissioners of Emigration shall detain under their custody or care, either on shipboard or elsewhere, all such persons forbidden to land by the second section of said Act, except convicts, who, as provided in the fifth section of "An act supplementary to the acts in relation to immigration," approved March 3d, 1875, shall be subject to the charge and direction of the Collector of Customs of said port. And such detention shall continue until the sailing of the vessel upon which such persons arrived, or until proper provision can be made for their return to the countries whence they came.

3. The Collector of the Port of New York is hereby directed to give all necessary aid to said Commissioners of Emigration in carrying out these regulations for the supervision of immigration at that port.

#### ACT to regulate immigration.

The Act to regulate immigration and the several judicial decisions had under it are herewith submitted :

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be levied, collected and paid a duty of fifty cents for each and every passenger not a citizen of the United States who shall come by steam or sail vessel from a foreign port to any port within the United States. The said duty shall be paid to the Collector of Customs of the port to which such passenger shall come, or if there be no Collector at such port then to the Collector of Customs nearest thereto, by the master, owner, agent, or consignee of every such vessel, within twenty-four hours after the entry thereof into such port. The money thus collected shall be paid into the United States Treasury, and shall constitute a fund to be called the immigrant fund, and shall be used, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, to defray the expense of regulating immigration under this act, and for the care of immigrants arriving in the United States, for the relief of such as are in distress, and for the general purposes and expenses of carrying this act into effect. The duty imposed by this section shall be a lien upon the vessels which shall bring such passengers into the United States, and shall be a debt in favor of the United States against the owner or owners of such vessels; and the payment of such duty may be enforced by any legal or equitable remedy. *Pro*vided, That no greater sum shall be expended for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, at any port, than shall have been collected at such port.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby charged with the duty of executing the provisions of this act and with supervision over the business of immigration to the United States, and for that purpose he shall have power to enter into contracts with such State commission, board or officers as may be designated for that purpose by the Governor of any State to take charge of the local affairs of immigration in the ports within said State, and to provide for the support and relief of such immigrants therein landing as may fall into distress or need public aid, under the rules and regulations to be prescribed by said Secretary; and it shall be the duty of such State Commission, Board, or officers so designated to examine into the condition of passengers arriving at the ports within such State, in any ship or vessel, and for that purpose all or any of such commissioners or officers, or such other person or persons as they shall appoint, shall be authorized to go on board of and through any such ship or vessel; and if on such examination there shall be found among such passengers any convict, lunatic, idiot, or any person unable to take care of himself or herself without becoming a public charge, they shall report the same in writing to the Collector of such port, and such persons shall not be permitted to land.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of the Treasury shall establish such regulations and rules and issue from time to time such instructions not inconsistent with law as he shall deem best calculated to protect the United States and immigrants into the United States from fraud and loss, and for carrying out the provisions of this act and the immigration laws of the United States; and he shall prescribe all forms of bonds, entries and other papers to be used under and in the enforcement of the various provisions of this act.

SEC. 4. That all foreign convicts, except those convicted of political offenses, upon arrival, shall be sent back to the nations to which they belong and from whence they came. The Secretary of the Treasury may designate the State Board of Charities of any State in which such Board shall exist by law, or any commission in any State or any person or persons in any State whose duty it shall be to execute the provisions of this section without compensation. The Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe regulations for the return of the aforesaid persons to the Countries from whence they came, and shall furnish instructions to the Board, commission or persons charged with the execution of the provisions of this section as to the mode of procedure in respect thereto, and may change such instructions from time to time. The expense of such return of the aforesaid persons not permitted to land shall be borne by the owners of the vessels in which they came.

SEC. 5. That this act shall take effect immediately. Approved, August 3d, 1882.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

#### N. Y. SUPREME COURT,

FIRST DISTRICT-SPECIAL TERM AT CHAMBERS.

August, 1884.

THE PEOPLE ex rel. ELLEN MCINTVRE vs. THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION. THE PEOPLE ex rel. ARAM SLOWITZ vs. THE SAME.

Patrick Carney, an immigrant, together with his wife and seven children, arrived at the port of New York, on 15th July, 1884, by the steamship "Furnessia," from Londonderry, Ireland, and the Commissioners of Emigration, on examination, found they were unable to take care of themselves without becoming a public charge, and reported the same in writing to the Collector of the Port, and on the 19th July, 1884, Aram Slowitz, an immigrant, together with his wife and child, arrived at this port by the steamship "Westphalia," and, on examination by the Commissioners, were likewise found "unable to take care of themselves without becoming a public charge," and the Collector was duly notified.

Writs of *habeas corpus* were obtained, returnable before the New York Supreme Court. In obedience to the writs these persons were produced before Mr. Justice Van Brunt at Supreme Court Chambers.

Messrs. Jas. K. Hill, Wing & Shoudy and Mr. Alfred Steckler, for the relators.

Messrs. Kelly & MacRae, for the Commissioners of Emigration, opposed.

VAN BRUNT, J.: "By the Act of Congress relating to emigration to the United States, it is provided that the Secretary of the Treasury is charged with supervision over the business of emigration to the United States, and for that purpose he was empowered to enter into contracts with such State Commission, board or officers as might be designated for that purpose by the Governor of any State, to take charge of the local affairs of immigration in the ports within said State. Said act further provides that it shall be the duty of such State Commission or officers so designated to examine into the condition of passengers arriving at the ports within such States, in any ship or vessel, and for that purpose all or any of such commissioners or officers, or such other person or persons as they shall appoint, shall be authorized to go on board of and through any such ship or vessel, and if, on such examination, there shall be found among such passengers any convict, idiot, or any person unable to take care of himself or herself, without becoming a public charge, they shall report the same to the Collector of such port and such person shall not be permitted to land.

"It is not necessary to discuss here the power of the Congress of the United States to regulate the terms upon which immigrants shall be allowed to enter thir country. It is clear that Congress has the right, and it has not yet been held that the States have not that right, to prohibit pauper immigration, and therefore has also the power to determine the manner and means by which such protection shall be afforded.

"They have, therefore, provided for contracts to be made by the Secretary of the Treasury with certain State Boards, who, for the purposes of the immigration laws, thereby become the agents of the United States. Certain powers are conferred upon such agents, and when acting within the line of their duty I can see no power vested in this Court to interfere with them. In the cases now before the Court the Commissioners certify that they have made an examination, and that they have found that the relators are persons unable to take care of themselves without becoming a public charge. Upon this state of the record the Commissioners had right to say that they should not be permitted to land, and this Court, upon *habeas corpus*, cannot interfere with their action.

"It is urged, however, that because the relators have been taken from the steamship, and have been taken into the custody of the Commissioners of Emigration, that they have been permited to land, and that all jurisdiction by the Commissioners has been lost. It must be observed that the examination need not be upon the ship, and the only reference to the vessel is in connection with a power given to the Commissioners to go on board and through any vessel for the purposes of such examination, but the act nowhere requires the examination to be held upon shipboard. It is true that the relators have been allowed to leave the ship, and thus may be said to have been permitted to land; but the language of the act is to be construed not literally, but in the light of the duties to be performed under it.

"The relators are under the custody of the agents of the United States Government, having been there placed in order that the examination might be made to ascertain whether, under the laws, they should be permitted to enter the country, and it is this permission which is evidently referred to in the act where it speaks of permission to land.

"Could it be argued for a moment that if the relators had been taken possession of by the Quarantine authorities and placed in one of their hospitals upon one of the islands in the bay for sanitary reasons, and before they had come under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Emigration, that such Commissioners would have no authority to exercise the powers conferred upon them by Congress.

"It seems to me that this illustration clearly shows that no technical meaning is to be given to the words 'permitted to land,' but that they are to be construed as referring to a permission to enter the country, and I am therefore of the opinion that the writs should be dismissed." In re People ex rel. Slowitz vs. The Commissioners, an application was made for a stay pending an appeal and the matter coming on to be heard at Supreme Court, Special Term, on the 13th August, 1884, Mr. Justice Willard Bartlett rendered the following decision:

BARTLETT, J.: I have carefully considered the facts presented upon this application and have come to the conclusion that I ought not to grant a stay of proceedings.

The relators counsel truly says that the questions involved are novel and important, and he desires to have them examined by the appellate branch of the Supreme Court before his client is sent back to Europe. But he can obtain the opinions of the General Term Justices, or a majority of them, at once without waiting until they meet as a Court in October. The questions already passed upon by Mr. Justice Van Brunt may successively be presented to the General Term Tustices in a proceeding of the same character. A decision under one writ of habeas corpus, refusing to discharge a person restrained of his liberty, does not bar the issuing of a second writ by another Court or officer. This is the law of England, of the Federal Courts, and of the State of New York. (Ex-parte Partington, 13 M. & W., 679. Ex-parte Kaine, 3 Blatchf., I. People ex re Lawrence v. Brady, 56 N. Y., 182.) The rule affords the relator a speedy method of ascertaining the views of the Judges who constitute the General Term and secures to him substantially all the benefits of an appeal.

These remarks are based upon the assumption that this Court possesses jurisdiction to release the relator from the restraint in which he is held.

It does not seem to me by any means clear, however, that such is the case. While the authority of a State Court or one of its Judges, upon writs of *habeas corpus*, to inquire into the detention of a person held in custody within the territory of the State cannot be denied, because the proceedings require a construction of the Constitution and laws of the United States, the Federal Courts claim exclusive jurisdiction in cases where the restraint is exercised by officers of the United States acting under their laws. (Tarble's Case, 13 Wall., 397. Robb vs. Connolly, 111 U. S., at foot of page 637.) "If a party thus held be illegally imprisoned," said Mr. Justice Field in the former case, "it is for the Courts or judicial officers of the United States alone to grant him release." I think the Commissioners of Emigration are to be regarded as officers of the United States, within the meaning of these decisions, in performing the duties imposed upon them by the Act of Congress, approved August 3, 1882, in reference to the examination to pauper immigrants. If this view is correct, the practical effect of granting a stay of proceedings in this case would be to enjoin agents of the Federal Government from exercising functions devolved upon them by a law of the United States relating to a subject matter clearly within the legislative power of Congress. Even if the State Courts have concurrent jurisdiction, the Federal tribunals clearly constitute the most appropriate forum within which to test the constitutionality of such legislation. They have proved no less efficient than the State Courts in asserting the rights of personal liberty. (Exparte Lange, 18 Wall., 163. Ex-parte Buell, 3 Dillon, 116.) However

poor the relator may be, he is represented by zealous and faithful counsel, who, by means of the writ of *habeas corpus*, can readily bring before the Federal Courts the distinctively Federal questions involved in this case, confident that "the United States are as much interested in protecting the citizen from illegal restraint under their authority as the several States are to protect him from the like restraint under their authority, and are no more likely to tolerate any oppression. (*Tarble's Case*, 13 Wall., 397.)

The application for a stay of proceedings must be denied.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

#### N. Y. SUPREME COURT,

#### FIRST DISTRICT-SPECIAL TERM AT CHAMBERS,

AUGUST 1885.

THE PEOPLE *ex rel*. FABRICE LE BOU-LANGER

vs.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

Fifty-three "gypsies," consisting of thirteen men, ten women and thirty children, came over from Bordeaux, France, as passengers in the steamship "Chateau Leoville" and arrived at the port of New York on 23d July, 1885, and on examination by the Commissioners were found to be unable to take care of themselves without becoming a public charge, and were so reported in writing to the Collector of the Port.

In obedience to a writ of *habeas corpus* said persons were produced before Mr. Justice Edgar M. Cullen, at Supreme Court, Chambers.

Messrs. Jas. K. Hill, Wing & Shoudy for the relator.

Messrs. Kelly & MacRae for the Commissioners, opposed.

CULLEN, J.: The main question in this case was determined adversely to the relator by Judge Van Brunt in The People ex rel. McIntyre vs. The Commissioners. The validity of the legislation by Congress is unquestioned and it was held in the case cited that in discharging the duties imposed upon them by that act, the Commissioners acted to that extent as agents of the United States. It is unnecessary to say whether or not the determination as to the character of the immigrant is exclusive. The fact, if open to inquiry, is not to be examined by the State tribunal, but solely by the Federal Courts. If the immigrants had actually landed, and gained a foothold in the country, the jurisdiction of the Commissioners would be This fact is alleged in the traverse, but no testimony was gone. offered in that respect, and it was conceded on the argument, that to protect the health of the women and children they had been transferred to the hospital on Ward's Island pending the return of the steamer by which they had been brought here. I cannot see that this constituted a landing in the country. Common humanity dictated this course on the part of the Commissioners, and such an act should not be held to defeat their power. Should the vessel take fire, should the immigrants be detained therein? Or if taken from ship in consequence of the fire, should such an accident give them a right to remain here, which but for its occurrence was not possessed ?

I think the writ should be dismissed.

# CONSTITUTIONALITY OF IMMIGRANT ACT.

The following decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, sustaining the constitutionality of the "Act of Congress to regulate immigration," approved August 3d, 1882, is submitted.

#### SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

OCTOBER TERM, 1884.

Henry W. O. Edye and William Volckens, Plaintiffs in Error,

vs.

William H. Robertson, Collector of the Port of New York.

The Cunard Steamship Company (limited), Plaintiff in Error,

vs.

William H. Robertson, Collector of the Port of New York. Same vs. Same. In error to the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of New York.

In error to the Circuit Court of the United States for the Southern District of New York.

- 1. The Act of Congress of August 3, 1882, "to regulate immigration," which imposes upon the owners of steam or sailing vessels who shall bring passengers from a foreign port into a port of the United States, a duty of fifty cents for every such passenger not a citizen of this country, is a valid exercise of the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations.
- 2. Though the previous cases in this court on that subject related to State statutes only, they held those statutes void on the ground that authority to enact them was vested exclusively in Congress by the Constitution, and necessarily decided that when Congress did pass such a statute, which it has done in this case, it would be valid.
- 3. The contribution levied on the ship-owner by this statute is designed to mitigate the evils incident to immigration from abroad by raising a fund for that purpose, and it is not, in the sense of the Constitution, a tax subject to the limitations imposed by that instrument on the general taxing power of Congress.
- and it is hot, in the structure of the Constitution, it is posed by that instrument on the general taxing power of Congress.
  4. A tax is uniform, within the meaning of the constitutional provision on that subject, when it operates with the same effect in all places where the subject of it is found, and is not wanting in such uniformity because the the thing taxed is not equally distributed in all parts of the United States.
- 5. A treaty is primarily a compact between independent nations, and depends for the enforcement of its provisions on the honor and the interest of the governments which are parties to it. If these fail, its infraction becomes the subject of international reclamation and negotiation, which may lead to war to enforce them. With this judicial courts have nothing to do.

- 6. But a treaty may also confer private rights on citizens or subjects of the contracting powers which are of a nature to be enforced in a court of justice, and which furnishes a rule of decision in such cases. The Constitution of the United States makes the treaty, while in force, a part of the supreme law of the land in all courts where such rights are to be tried.
- 7. But in this respect, so far as the provisions of a treaty can become the subject of judicial cognizance in the courts of the country, they are subject to such acts as Congress may pass for their enforcement, modification, or repeal.

# [December 8, 1884.]

Mr. Justice MILLER delivered the opinion of the Court.

These cases all involve the same questions of law, and have been argued before this court together.

The case at the head of the list presents all the facts in the form of an agreed statement signed by counsel, and it therefore brings the questions before us very fully. The other two were decided by the Circuit Court on demurrer to the declaration.

They will be disposed of here in one opinion, which will have reference to the case as made by the record in Eyde et al *vs.* Robertson.

The suit is brought to recover from Robertson the sum of money received by him, as Collector of the Port of New York, from plaintiffs, on account of their landing in that port passengers from foreign ports, not citizens of the United States, at the rate of fifty cents for each of such passengers, under the act of Congress of August 3, 1882, entitled "An act to regulate immigration."

The petition of plaintiffs and the agreed facts, which are also made the finding of the court to which the case was submitted without a jury, are the same with regard to each of many arrivals of vessels of the plaintiffs, except as to the name of the vessel and the number and age of the passengers. The statement as to the arrival first named, which is here given, will be sufficient for them all, for the purposes of this opinion.

The following are admitted to be the facts in this action:

"I. That the plaintiffs are partners in trade in the city of New York under the firm name of Funch, Eyde & Co., and carry on the business of transporting passengers and freight upon the high seas between Holland and the United States of America as consignees and agents.

"That on the 2d day of October, 1882, there arrived, consigned to the plaintiffs, the Dutch ship Leerdam, owned by certain citizens or subjects of the Kingdom of Holland, and belonging to the nationality of Holland, at the port of New York. She had sailed from the foreign port of Rotterdam, in Holland, bound to New York, and carried 382 persons not citizens of the United States.

"That among said 382 persons 20 were severally under the age of one year and 59 were severally between the ages of one year and eight years.

"That upon the arrival of said steamship Leerdam within the collection district of New York, the master thereof gave, in pursuance

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to section nine of the passenger act of 1882, and delivered to the custom-house officer, who first came on board the vessel and made demand therefor, a correct list, signed by the master, of all the passengers taken on board of said Leerdam at said Rotterdam, specifying separately the names of the cabin passengers, their age, sex, calling, and the country of which they are citizens, and also the name, age, sex, calling, and native country of each emigrant passenger or passengers other than cabin passengers, and their intended destination or location, and in all other respects complying with said ninth section, and a duplicate of the aforesaid list of passengers, verified by the oath of the master, was, with the manifest of the cargo, delivered by the master to the defendant as collector of customs of the port of New York on the entry of said vessel.

"That it appears from the said list of passengers and duplicate that the said 382 persons were each and every one subjects of Holland or other foreign powers in treaty of peace, amity, and commerce with the United States.

"That the said passenger manifest also states the total number of passengers and shows that 20 of them were under one year of age, and 59 between the ages of one year and eight years.

"That said collector, before allowing complete entry of said vessel, as collector decided, on the 12th day of October, 1882, that the plaintiffs must pay a duty of one hundred and ninety-one dollars for said passengers, being fifty cents for each of said 382 passengers.

"That by the regulations of the Treasury Department the non-payment of said \$191 would have permitted the defendant to refuse the complete entry of the vessel, or to refuse to give her a clearance from the port of New York, to her home port, and such imposition would have created an apparent lien on said vessel for said sum of \$191.

"On the defendants making such demand the plaintiffs paid the same and protested against the payment thereof.

"That a copy of the protest in regard to said Leerdam is annexed to the complaint, marked No. 1, and is a correct copy of the protest.

"That on the same day the plaintiffs duly appealed to the Secretary of Treasury from such decision of the collector, and that the paper marked Appeal No. 2, annexed to the complaint, is a copy of said appeal.

"On the 18th October, 1882, the Secretary of the Treasury sustained the action of the defendant, and this action is brought within ninety days after the rendering of such decision.

"That the payment set forth in the complaint herein was levied and collected by defendant, and the same was paid under and in pursuance of an act of Congress entitled 'An act to regulate immigration,' approved August 3, 1882."

On the facts as thus agreed and as found by the Circuit Court, a judgment was rendered in favor of defendant, which we are called upon to review.

There is no complaint by plaintiffs that the defendant violated this act in any respect but one, namely, that it did not authorize him to demand anything for the twenty children under one year old, and for the fifty-nine who were between the ages of one year and eight years. The supposed exception of this class of passengers does not arise out of any language found in this act to regulate immigration, nor any policy on which it is founded, but it is based by counsel on a provision of an act approved one day earlier than this, entitled "An act to regulate the carriage of passengers by sea." This provision limits the number of passengers which the vessel may carry by the number of cubic feet of space in which they are to be carried, and it declares that, in making this calculation, children of the ages mentioned need not be counted. In reference to the space they will occupy this principle is reasonable. But as regards the purpose of the immigration act to raise a fund for the sick, the poor and the helpless immigrant, children are as likely to require its aid as adults, probably more so. They are certainly within the definition of the word passenger, when otherwise within the purview of the act. This branch of the case requires no further consideration.

The other errors assigned, however numerous or in whatever language presented, all rest on the proposition that the act of Congress requiring the collector to demand and receive from the master, owner or consignee of each vessel arriving from a foreign port, fifty cents for every passenger whom he brings into a port of the United States who is not a citizen, is without warrant in the Constitution and is void.

The substance of the act is found in its first section, namely :

#### "AN ACT to regulate immigration.

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be levied, collected and paid a duty of fifty cents for each and every passenger, not a citizen of the United States, who shall come by steam or sail vessel from a foreign port to any port within the United States. The said duty shall be paid to the collector of customs of the port to which such passenger shall come, or if there be no collector at such port, then to the collector of customs nearest thereto, by the master, owner, agent or consignee of every such vessel, within twenty-four hours after the entry thereof into such port. The money thus collected shall be paid into the United States Treasury, and shall constitute a fund to be called the immigrant fund, and shall be used, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, to defray the expenses of regulating immigration under this act, and for the care of immigrants arriving in the United States, for the relief of such as are in distress, and for the general purposes and expenses of carrying this act into effect."

The act further authorizes the Secretary to use the aid of any State organization or officer for carrying into effect the beneficent objects of this law, by distributing the fund in accordance with the purpose for which it was raised, not exceeding in any port the sum received from it, under rules and regulations to be prescribed by him. It directs that such officers shall go on board vessels arriving from abroad, and if, on examination, they shall find any convict, lunatic, idiot, or any person unable to take care of himself or herself, without becoming a public charge, they shall report to the collector, and such person shall not be permitted to land. It is also enacted that convicts, except for political offences, shall be returned to the nations to which they belong. And the Secretary is directed to prepare rules for the protection of the immigrant who needs it, and for the return of those who are not permitted to land.

This act of Congress is similar in its essential features to many statutes enacted by States of the Union for the protection of their own citizens, and for the good of the immigrants who land at sea-ports within their borders.

That the purpose of these statutes is humane, is highly beneficial to the poor and helpless immigrant, and is essential to the protection of the people in whose midst they are deposited by the steamships, is beyond dispute. That the power to pass such laws should exist in some legislative body in this country is equally clear. This Court has decided distinctly and frequently, and always after a full hearing from able counsel, that it does not belong to the States. That decision did not rest in any case on the ground that the State and its people were not deeply interested in the existence and enforcement of such laws, and were not capable of enforcing them if they had the power to enact them; but on the ground that the Constitution, in the division of powers which it declares between the States and the General Government, has conferred this power on the latter to the exclusion of the former. We are now asked to decide that it does not exist in Congress, which is to hold that it does not exist at all—that the framers of the Constitution have so worded that remarkable instrument that the ships of all nations, including our own, can, without restraint or regulation, deposit here, if they find it to their interest to do so, the entire European population of criminals, paupers, and diseased persons, without making any provisions to preserve them from starvation, and its concomitant sufferings, even for the first few days after they have left the vessel.

This Court is not only asked to decide this, but it is asked to overrule its decision, several times made with unanimity, that the power *does* reside in Congress, is conferred upon that body by the express language of the Constitution, and the attention of Congress called to the duty which arises from that language to pass the very law which is here in question.

That these statutes are regulations of commerce—of commerce with foreign nations—is conceded in the argument in this case; and that they constitute a regulation of that class which belongs exclusively to Congress is held in all the cases in this Court. It is upon these propositions that the Court has decided in all these cases that the State laws are void. Let us examine those decisions for a moment.

In the Passenger Cases, so called, the report of which occupies the pages of 7 Howard from page 283 to 573, mostly with opinions of the Judges, the order of the Court is that "It is the opinion of the Court that the statute of New York, by which the Health Commissioner of the City of New York is declared entitled to demand and receive from the master of every vessel from a foreign port that shall arrive in the port of that city the sum of one dollar for each steerage passenger brought in such vessel is repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, and therefore void." An examination of the opinions of the Judges shows that if the majority agreed upon any one reason for this order it was because the law was a regulation of commerce, the power over which that Constitution had placed exclusively in Congress. The same examination will show that several Judges denied this, because they held that this power belonged to the class which the States might exercise until it was assumed by Congress. It is very clear that if any such act of Congress had existed then as the one now before us, the decision of the Court would have been nearer to unanimity.

In the case of Henderson vs. The Mayor of New York, 97 U. S. R., 259, the whole subject is reviewed, and, in the light of the devision in this Court in the Passenger Cases, it is considered, on principle, as if for the first time. In that case, after the statute of New York had been modified in such a manner as was supposed to remove the objections held good against it in the Passenger Cases, the question of its constitutional validity was again brought before this Court, when it was held void by the unanimous judgment of all its members. And this was upon the distinct ground that it was a regulation of commerce solely within the power of Congress.

"As already indicated," says the Court, "the provisions of the Constitution of the United States, on which the principal reliance is placed, is that which gives to Congress the right 'to regulate commerce with foreign nations."

The Court then, referring to the transportation of passengers from European ports to those of the United States, says: "It has become a part of our commerce with foreign nations, of vast interest to this country as well as to the immigrants who come amongst us, to find a welcome and a home within our borders." "Is the regulation of this great system a regulation of commerce? Can it be doubted that a law which prescribes the terms on which vessels shall engage in it, is a law regulating this branch of commerce?"

The Court adds : "We are of opinion that this whole subject has been confided to Congress by the Constitution ; that Congress can more appropriately and with more acceptance exercise it than any other body known to our law, State or National ; that, by providing a system of laws in these matters, applicable to all ports and to all vessels, a serious question, which has long been matter of contest and complaint, may be effectually and satisfactorily settled." And for this reason the statute of New York was held void.

In the case of Commissioners of Immigration vs. North German Lloyd, a similar statute of Louisiana was held void for the same reason. And in the case of Chy Lung vs. Freeman, decided at the same term, 92 U. S. R., 275, the statute of California on the same subject was also held void, because, in the language of the head note to the report, "it invades the right of Congress to regulate commerce with foreign nations."

In the case of People *vs.* Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, 107 U. S. R., 59, where the State of New York, having again modified her statute, it was again held void; the Court said: "It has been so repeatedly decided by this Court that such a tax is a regulation of commerce with foreign nations, confided by the Constitution to the exclusive control of Congress" (referring to the cases just cited), "that there is little to say beyond affirming the judgment of the Circuit Court, which was based on those decisions."

It cannot be said that these cases do not govern the present, though there was not then before us any act of Congress whose validity was in question, for the decisions rest upon the ground that the State statutes were void only because Congress and not the States was authorized by the Constitution to pass them, and for the reason that Congress could enact such laws, and for that reason alone, where the acts of the State held void. It was, therefore, of the essence of the decision which held the State statutes invalid, that a similar statute by Congress would be valid.

We are not disposed to reconsider those cases, or to resort to other reasons for holding that they were well decided. Nor do we feel that further argument in support of them is needed.

But counsel for plaintiffs, assuming that Congress, in the enactment of this law, is exercising the taxing power conferred by the first clause of Section 8 of Article I. of the Constitution, and can derive no aid in support of its action from any other grant of power in that instrument, argues that all the restraints and qualifications found there in regard to any form of taxation are limitations upon the exercise of the power in this case. The clause is in the following language:

"The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and to provide for the common defence and the general welfare of the United States; but all duties, imposts and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States."

In this view it is objected that the tax is not levied to provide for the common defence and general welfare of the United States, and that it is not uniform throughout the United States.

The uniformity here prescribed has reference to the various localities in which the tax is intended to operate. "It shall be uniform throughout the United States." Is the tax on tobacco void, because in many of the States no tobacco is raised or manufactured? Is the tax on distilled spirits void, because a few States pay three-fourths of the revenue arising from it?

The tax is uniform when it operates with the same force and effect in every place where the subject of it is found. The tax in this case, which, as far as it can be called a tax, is an excise duty on the business of bringing passengers from foreign countries into this by ocean navigation, is uniform and operates precisely alike in every port of the United States where such passengers can be landed. It is said that the statute violates the rule of uniformity and the provision of the Constitution; that "no preference shall be given by any regulation of commerce or revenue to the ports of one State over those of another," because it does not apply to passengers arriving in this country by railroad or other inland mode of conveyance. But the law applies to all *ports* alike, and evidently gives no preference to one over another, but is uniform in its operation in all ports of the United States. It may be added that the evil to be remedied by this legislation has no existence on our inland borders, and immigration in that quarter needed no such regulation. Perfect uniformity and perfect equality of taxation, in all the aspects in which the human mind can view it, is a baseless dream, as this Court has said more than once. State Railroad Tax Cases, 92 U. S. R., 612. Here there is substantial uniformity within the meaning and purpose of the Constitution.

If it were necessary to prove that the imposition of this contribution on owners of ships is made for the general welfare of the United States, it would not be difficult to show that it is so, and particularly that it is among the means which Congress may deem necessary and proper for that purpose, and beyond this we are not permitted to inquire.

But the true answer to all these objections is that the power exercised in this instance is not the taxing power. The burden imposed on the ship-owner by this statute is the mere incident of the regulation of commerce—of that branch of foreign commerce which is involved in immigration. The title of the act, "An act to regulate immigration," is well chosen. It describes, as well as any short sentence can describe it, the real purpose and effect of the statute. Its provisions, from beginning to end, relate to the subject of immigration, and they are aptly designed to mitigate the evils inherent in the business of bringing foreigners to this country, as those evils affect both the immigrant and the people among whom he is suddenly brought and left to his own resources.

It is true not much is said about protecting the ship-owner. But he is the man who reaps the profit from the transaction, who has the means to protect himself and knows well how to do it, and whose obligations in the premises need the aid of the statute for their enforcement. The sum demanded of him is not, therefore, strictly speaking, a tax or duty within the meaning of the Constitution. The money thus raised, though paid into the Treasury, is appropriated in advance to the uses of the statute, and does not go to the general support of the Government. It constitutes a fund raised from those who are engaged in the transportation of these passengers, and who make profit out of it, for the temporary care of the passengers whom they bring among us and for the protection of the citizens among whom they are landed.

If this is an expedient regulation of commerce by Congress, and the end to be attained is one falling within that power, the act is not void, because, within a loose and more extended sense than was used in the Constitution, it is called a tax. In the case of Veazie Bank vs. Fenno, 8 Wall., 549, the enormous tax of eight per cent. per annum on the circulation of State banks, which was designed, and did have the effect, to drive all such circulation out of existence, was upheld because it was a means properly adopted by Congress to protect the currency which it had created, namely, the legal-tender notes and the notes of the national banks. It was not subject, therefore, to the rules which would invalidate an ordinary tax pure and simple.

So, also, in the case of the Packet Co. vs. Keokuk, 95 U. S. R., 80, the City of Keokuk having by ordinance imposed a wharfage fee or tax for the use of a wharf owned by the city, the amount of which was regulated by the tonnage of the vessel, this was held not to be a tonnage tax within the meaning of the constitutional provision that "no State shall, without the consent of Congress, lay any duty of tonnage." The reason of this is, that, though it was a burden, or tax, in some sense, and measured by the tonnage of the vessel, it was but a charge for services rendered, or for conveniences furnished by the city, and was not a tonnage tax within the meaning of the Constitution. This principle was reaffirmed in the case of the same plaintiff *vs*. City of St. Louis, 100 U. S. R., 423.

We are clearly of opinion that, in the exercise of its power to regulate immigration, and in the very act of exercising that power, it was competent for Congress to impose this contribution on the ship-owner engaged in that business.

Another objection of the validity of this act of Congress is, that it violates provisions contained in the numerous treaties of our Government with friendly nations. And several of the articles of these treaties are annexed to the careful brief of counsel. We are not satisfied that this act of Congress violates any of these treaties, on any just construction of them. Though laws similar to this have long been enforced by the State of New York in the great metropolis of foreign trade, where four-fifths of these passengers have been landed, no complaint has been made by any foreign nation to ours of the violation of treaty obligations by the enforcement of those laws.

But we do not place the defence of the act of Congress against this objection upon that suggestion.

We are of the opinion that, so far as the provisions in that act may be found to be in conflict with any treaty with a foreign nation, they must prevail in all the judicial courts of this country. We had supposed that the question here raised was set at rest in this Court by the decision in the case of the Cherokee Tobacco, 11 Wall., 616. It is true, as suggested by counsel, that three judges of the Court did not sit in the case, and two others dissented. But six judges took part in the decision, and the two who dissented placed that dissent upon the ground that Congress did not *intend* that the tax on tobacco should extend to the They referred to the existence of the treaty, which Cherokee tribe. would be violated if the statute was so construed as persuasive against such a construction, but they nowhere intimated that, if the statute was correctly construed by the Court, it was void because it conflicted with the treaty, which they would have done if they had held that view. On the point now in controversy it was, therefore, the opinion of all the judges who heard the case. See United States vs. McBratney, 104 U. S. R., 621-3.

The precise question involved here, namely, a supposed conflict between an act of Congress imposing a customs duty and a treaty with Russia on that subject, in force when the act was passed, came before the Circuit Court for the District of Massachusetts in 1855. It received the consideration of that eminent jurist, Mr. Justice Curtis, of this Court, who, in a very learned opinion, exhausted the sources of argument on that subject, holding that if there were such conflict the act of Congress must prevail in a judicial forum. 2 Curtis C. C. R., 454; Taylor vs. Morton. And Mr. Justice Field, in a very recent case in the Ninth Circuit, that of Ah Lung, on a writ of *habeas corpus*, has delivered an opinion sustaining the same doctrine in reference to a statute regulating the immigration of Chinamen into this country. 18 Federal Reporter, 28. In the Clinton Bridge Case (Woolworth R., 156) the writer of this opinion expressed the same views as did Judge Woodruff, on full consideration, in Roper vs. Clinch, 8 Blatchford, 304, and Judge Wallace, in the same circuit, in Bertram vs. Robertson, 12 Federal Reporter, 212.

It is very difficult to understand how any different doctrine can be sustained.

A treaty is primarily a compact between independent nations. It depends for the enforcement of its provisions on the interest and the honor of the governments which are parties to it. If these fail, its infraction becomes the subject of international negotiations and reclamations, so far as the injured party chooses to seek redress, which may in the end be enforced by actual war. It is obvious that with all this the judicial courts have nothing to do and can give no redress. But a treaty may also contain provisions which confer certain rights upon the citizens or subjects of one of the nations residing in the territorial limits of the other, which partake of the nature of municipal law, and which are capable of enforcement as between private parties in the courts of the country. An illustration of this character is found in treaties, which regulate the mutual rights of citizens and subjects of the contracting nations in regard to rights of property by descent or inheritance, when the individuals concerned are aliens. The Constitution of the United States places such provisions as these in the same category as other laws of Congress by its declaration that this "Constitution and the laws made in pursuance thereof, and all treaties made or which shall be made under authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law of the land." A treaty, then, is a law of the land, as an act of Congress is, whenever its provisions prescribe a rule by which the rights of a private citizen or subject may be determined. And when such rights are of a nature to be enforced in a court of justice, that court resorts to the treaty for a rule of decision for the case before it as it would to a statute.

But even in this aspect of the case there is nothing in this law which makes it irrepealable or unchangeable. The Constitution gives it no superiority over an act of Congress in this respect, which may be repealed or modified by an act of a later date. Nor is there anything in its essential character, or in the branches of the government by which the treaty is made, which gives it this superior sanctity.

A treaty is made by the President and the Senate. Statutes are made by the President, the Senate, and the House of Representatives. The addition of the latter body to the other two in making a law certainly does not render it less entitled to respect in the matter of its repeal or modification than a treaty made by the other two. If there be any difference in this regard, it would seem to be in favor of an act in which all three of the bodies participate. And such is, in fact, the case in a declaration of war, which must be made by Congress, and which, when made, usually suspends or destroys existing treaties between the nations thus at war.

In short, we are of opinion that, so far as a treaty made by the United States with any foreign nation can become the subject of judicial cognizance in the courts of this country, it is subject to such acts as Congress may pass for its enforcement, modification or repeal.

Other objections are made to this statute. Some of these relate, not to the power of Congress to pass the act, but to the expediency or justice of the measure, of which Congress, and not the courts, are the sole judges—such as its unequal operation on persons not paupers or criminals, and its effects in compelling the ultimate payment of the sum demanded for each passenger by that passenger himself. Also, that the money is to be drawn from the Treasury without an appropriation by Congress. The act itself makes the appropriation, and even if this be not warranted by the Constitution, it does not make void the demand for contribution, which may yet be appropriated by Congress, if that be necessary, by another statute.

It is enough to say that, Congress having the power to pass a law regulating immigration as a part of the commerce of this country with foreign nations, we see nothing in the statute, by which it has here exercised that power, forbidden by any other part of the Constitution.

The judgment of the Circuit Court in all the cases is affirmed.

#### EXPENSES OF THE EMIGRATION COMMISSION.

From the establishment of the Emigration Commission in 1847 to 1876 the funds used in support of the Commission were chiefly derived from an Immigrant Head Tax, levied by the State of New York. In March, 1876, the State Head Tax was declared unconstitutional by the United States Court. Owing to the destruction of the records by fire the statistics, showing the amount collected from 1847 to 1856, cannot be given; from 1856 to 1876 the total amount of the gross receipts was \$8,615,679.53, the gross expenses \$7,946,039.47, and the net expenses of the Commission for the care of immigrants \$6,046,937.-28. During this period the Commission received to its care 3,443,768 alien passengers, at an average cost per capita of \$1.75. From 1876 to 1880 the funds for the support of the Commission were derived chiefly from appropriations from the Treasury of the State of New York, and amounted to \$615,030.24. During this period the gross expenses were \$681,818.34, and the net expenses for care were \$625,050.78. There were received during this period by the Commission 336,218 alien passengers at an average cost per capita of \$1.86.

### PRESENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION. STATE OF NEW YORK RELIEVED OF ALL EXPENSE FOR THE COMMISSION.

In 1880 the present Board of Commissioners of Emigration was appointed by His Excellency, Governor Cornell. From 1880 to 1882, inclusive, the appropriations from the Treasury of the State of New York were \$436,723.83 for the support of the Commission. In 1881 the Commissioners of Emigration undertook to relieve the State of New York from the expense of the Commission, and secured the passage by the Legislature of the State of a law imposing an *inspection tax* of \$1.00 per capita on alien passengers arriving at the ports of the State, but this law was contested by the steamship lines in the courts, and finally decided unconstitutional and void by the Supreme Court of the United States. The Commissioners of Emigration then turned to the Congress of the United States for relief of the State. By repeated visits to Washington, and much zeal in urging the subject upon the attention of members of Congress, the Commissioners finally secured the enactment of a law by Congress, on August 3d, 1882, for supervising immigration. This act regulates immigration, and levies on the carriers of immigrants a tax of 50 cents per capita on the immigrants brought to the ports of the United States. It authorized the Secretary of the Treasury to contract with the Commissioners of Emigration, or other officers or persons designated by the several Governors of the States to superintend immigration.

The present Commissioners of Emigration were designated as the superintendents of immigration at the port of New York on September 2d, 1882, and entered into contract with the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States to execute the law of Congress regulating immigration at the port of New York, in consideration of receiving the tax collected upon immigrants arriving at that port. From the revenue thus derived the Commissioners of Emigration have administered their trust, and executed the laws regulating immigration, and the State of New York has been entirely relieved of the burden of the care of immigrants arriving at the port of New York. Since 1882 no appropriation has been made for the support of the Emigration Commission from the Treasury of the State of New York.

#### ECONOMY OF THE COMMISSION.

During the term of office of the present Commissioners, beginning in 1880, the Emigration Commission has expended the sum of 1,129,252.o6, of which 73,940.66 has been expended for buildings and permanent repairs, making the net expenses 1,055,311.40; during this period the Commission has received and cared for 2,286,143 alien passengers, at an average costs per capita of 0.46, while the average cost per capita under previous commissions since 1856, was 1.76.

#### INCREASED PROTECTION OF IMMIGRANTS.

In 1882 the present Commissioners arranged with the various trunk line railroads entering New York City, and largely transporting immigrants, to bring all their offices for the sale of tickets to immigrants into Castle Garden, and abolish all commissions to runners and other agents. By this arrangement all arriving immigrants going beyond the City of New York may exchange their orders purchased in foreign countries and obtain their railroad tickets for the interior, and have their baggage checked within Castle Garden and under the protection of the officers of the Commission without exposing themselves to the sharpers of a great city. Moreover, the Commission derives a revenue of \$4,000 per annum as rent from the joint agency of the various railroad companies. The benefits of this arrangement are shown by the fact that previous to its adoption many pieces of baggage were lost, while during last year (1885) the Commission landed and sent to their destination with their baggage, 281,000 immigrants, without injuring an immigrant or loosing a single piece of baggage. By this arrangement, swindling by bogus railroad tickets and other devices for cheating immigrants, has been very largely diminished, and instances of such imposture are now quite rare.

#### REVENUE FROM PRIVILEGES AT CASTLE GARDEN.

For the first time in the history of the Commission, since its establishment in 1847, the present Commissioners, in 1882, determined that the various parties enjoying the privileges of the express, restaurant, telegraph, money exchange, railroad and boarding-house business at Castle Garden, should regularly contribute to the revenues of the Commission, and they accordingly fixed rentals upon these privileges.

The Commission has received, since 1882, the sum of \$44,408.07 for the privileges granted. The amount received from these privileges in the year 1885, was \$20,233.14.

#### ENABLING ACT, 1882.

On request of the Commissioners of Emigration, on June 5, 1882, the Legislature of the State of New York passed a law giving power to them to exclude from the benefits of the State Emigrant Institutions at Castle Garden and Ward's Island, such steamship companies as refused to pay to the Commissioners not less than fifty cents for each alien passenger landed by them at Castle Garden. This act was enforced until the national law imposing a similar tax of fifty cents was enacted, when the Commissioners ceased to collect the tax permitted by this enabling act.

#### REDUCED PERIOD OF CARE OF IMMIGRANTS.

In their annual report for 1882, the Commissioners of Emigration recommended to the Legislature of the State of New York to reduce the period for which the commission should be charged with the care of immigrants, from five years, the time then prescribed by law, to one vear. Such a law was enacted by the Legislature of 1883. By this reduction of the period of care the Commissioners have been enabled to reduce the number of immigrants in their refuges and hospitals from 434, on December 31, 1884, to 251, on December 31, 1885. While it is probable that this reduction of the period of care of immigrants by the Commission at New York City has increased the number of immigrants cared for by the various other charities of the State and country, yet the Commissioners believe it has reduced the number of re-shipments of immigrant paupers from other States to New York, and that the needy immigrants can be cared for at less expense in the more rural refuges, and when discharged can more readily obtain employment in the vicinity where they are cared for.

#### PAUPER IMMIGRATION CHECKED.

In 1883 evidence came to Commissioners of Emigration that large numbers of assisted and pauper immigrants were coming to our shores. Investigation showed that large amounts of money were being distributed among the officers of the alms-houses of Ireland and Great Britain to assist paupers and enfeebled persons to emigrate to America. The Commissioners determined to check this alarming evil, and by the utmost vigilance and a vigorous execution of the law in returning persons liable to become a public charge to the countries whence they came, pauper immigration at the port of New York has been almost wholly suppressed.

#### WARD'S ISLAND CHANGES.

Previous to 1882 the Ward's Island Department was under the charge of a superintendent and the Medical Department under the charge of a physician-in-chief and a surgeon-in-chief. The present Board of Commissioners decided, in 1881, to abolish the office of surgeon-in-chief and place the whole medical and surgical department under the charge of a physician-in-chief with a competent staff of The Commissioners also organized a board of consulting assistants. physicians and consulting surgeons who should give advice without pay when called upon in reference to the medical conduct and sanitary condition of the institutions. The services of five eminent physicians and surgeons were obtained. The new plan was eminently successful and under its operations the medical department on Ward's Island has attained a very high decree of efficiency. The attention of the Legislature is directed to the report of the board of consulting physicians and surgeons accompanying this annual report.

In 1884 the Board of Commissioners decided to abolish the office of Superintendent of Ward's Island, and place both the medical and executive departments under the charge of the physician-in-chief.

Now the whole department is under the charge of an educated and competent physician, and the department has been brought by him to a high degree of efficiency and sanitary condition. This arrangement has demonstrated that a superintendent or deputy commissioner for the Ward's Island Department, at a large salary, besides the physicianin-chief, who must be employed, is entirely unnecessary. The department is administered better by the one person, who should be a physician.

#### RECOMMENDATION AS TO WARD'S ISLAND PROPERTY.

The Ward's Island property consists of 120 acres of land, with hospitals and other buildings thereon, capable of accommodating 2,500 inmates. The lands were purchased and the buildings erected by the Commissioners of Emigration out of the moneys collected under Section 2, Chapter 195 of the Laws of 1847 and the several amendments thereto.

The property is encumbered by a mortgage of \$200,000, made in 1874, and held by the State Comptroller for the United States Deposit Fund. The interest on the mortgage has been unpaid since July 1, 1883, because the State has made no provision for its payment.

By reason of the decreased immigration at this port, and the reduced period for the care of immigrants, as provided by Section 8 Chapter 286 of the Laws of 1883, and the effective measures taken by the Commissioners to prevent the landing of pauper immigrants, the number of inmates of the Ward's Island Institution has now been reduced to 251.

The Commissioners, therefore, recommend that the Ward's Island

property south of the main road be sold or leased, the money derived from such sale or lease to be applied as follows: First, to pay mortgage of \$200,000 held by the State Comptroller; second, to pay the present indebtedness of the Commission to the several counties and institutions of the State. The balance remaining to be invested, and the interest of such investment to become available for the uses of this Commission, or to be turned into the State Treasury.

The Commissioners are informed that the City of New York is in need of additional buildings for the care of sick and destitute persons under the charge of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, and that the City of New York would probably purchase or lease the Ward's Island property if the State should offer it.

#### SUIT FOR RETURN OF COMMUTATION OR HEAD MONEYS.

In January, 1877, suit was brought by the Liverpool, New York and Philadelphia Steamship Company against the Commissioners of Emigration, to recover the sum of one million and ninety-three thousand dollars, alleged to have been paid as commutation or head moneys under the laws of the State of New York, and as an assumpsit for moneys unlawfully demanded, exacted and received by the defendant under color of said laws to and for the use of the plaintiff.

The Commissioners of Emigration referred the matter to the then Attorney-General, and on his declining to act, retained Mr. Lewis Sanders to defend.

Mr. Sanders drew up and secured the passage of an act of Congress entitled "A bill to legalize the collection of head moneys already paid," approved June 19th, 1878, and pleaded in bar of the suit.

On the 6th of May, 1881, the case was brought for trial before Mr. Justice Shipman and a jury, and a verdict was given for the defendant. On appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States, that Court, after holding the case under advisement for a year, decided that the record did not present for decision the questions argued, and without passing upon the merits, awarded a new trial.

The case came up for trial in the Circuit Court on the 6th ultimo and was dismissed, the plaintiffs having concluded to abandon the suit. From this dismissal no appeal lies, hence it is a final determination of the suit. For his services Mr. Sanders presents a bill of \$5,000, which has been approved by this Board. As the Commission has no funds at its disposal applicable to the purpose, it is respectfully asked that an appropriation be made by the Legislature to pay the claim.

Mr. Sanders' report of the suit will be found in the appendix.

HENRY A. HURLBUT, President, GEORGE J. FORREST, GEORGE STARR, CHARLES F. ULRICH, EDMUND STEPHENSON, CHARLES N. TAINTOR.

CHARLES HAUSELT, President German Society,

NEW YORK, February 18th, 1886.

#### STATE OF NEW YORK:

# Office of the Commissioners of Emigration, Castle Garden.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, SS. :

Henry A. Hurlbut, George J. Forrest, George Starr, Charles F. Ulrich, Edmund Stephenson, Charles N. Taintor and Charles Hauselt, being duly sworn and affirmed, in accordance with the requirements of section ten of an act entitled "An Act for the protection of immigrants arriving in the State of New York," passed 11th of April, 1848, depose and say, each for himself, that the report annexed is correct, to the best of the knowledge, information and belief of each and every one of them, and that he has not, directly or indirectly, been interested in the boarding of immigrants, in the transportation of any immigrant passenger through any portion of the interior of this country; nor has he made or received, directly or indirectly, any gain, profit or advantage, by or through the purchase of supplies, the granting of any contract or contracts herein, or licenses, privilege or privileges, or the employment of any officer, servant or agent, mechanic, laborer, or other person in business under the control of said commissioners.

HENRY A. HURLBUT, *President*, GEORGE J. FORREST, GEORGE STARR, C. F. ULRICH, EDMUND STEPHENSON, CHARLES N. TAINTOR, CHARLES HAUSELT.

Sworn to before me by Henry A. Hurlbut, George J. Forrest, George Starr, C. F. Ulrich, Edmund Stephenson, Charles N. Taintor and Charles Hauselt on the 18th day of February, 1886.

> OTTO HEINZMAN, Notary Public, City and County of New York.

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## APPENDIX

#### TO THE

### REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

CASTLE GARDEN, N. Y., January 28, 1886.

Hon. HENRY A. HURLBUT,

President Board of Commissioners of Emigration :

SIR:—I transmit herewith the reports of the various officers of the department, with tables of statistics giving the nature and amount of business transacted during the year 1885.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

H. J. JACKSON,

Secretary.

### REPORT

#### $\mathbf{OF}$

### MR. LEWIS SANDERS, *Counsel*, IN RELATION TO COMMU-TATION OR HEAD-MONEY SUITS.

#### Hon. HENRY A. HURLBUT,

President of the Commissioners of Emigration.

SIR:—As your counsel and attorney in the head-money suits of the Liverpool, New York and Philadelphia Steamship Company and the Inman Steamship Company against your honorable body I have the honor to report :

The Liverpool, New York and Philadelphia Steamship Company brought suit against the Commissioners of Emigration in February, 1877, in the United States Circuit Court for the Southern District of New York, at common law, for the recovery of one million and ninetythree thousand dollars, alleged to have been unlawfully exacted from the company as commutation moneys on emigrants landed at the Port: of New York, under laws of the State of New York declared to be unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of the United States, in case of Henderson vs. The Mayor of New York, reported in 92 U. S. Reps., The company claimed that the moneys, being unlawfully exacted 261. and being paid under protest, were recoverable by the company; and this opinion, it is said, was fortified by eminent counsel both in England and America. In the United States among the counsel for the steamship companies were ex-Judge Emott of the Court of Appeals, Judge Ashbel Green of Messrs. Alexander & Green, and the late Henry Nichol. The sum claimed would now amount, with interest, to two million dollars. On behalf of the Commissioners I prepared, advocated, and thereby effected the passage of an Act of Congress legalizing and ratifying the collection of these commutations or headmoneys, said act being passed June 19th, 1878. The three chief questions then raised in the answer interposed by me for the Commissioners were :

*First.*—Was the payment of the commutation moneys voluntary, although illegally exacted, and paid under protest?

Second.—Was the act constitutional? And,

*Third.*—Could the money be recovered from the Commissioners, they not having collected it, but having disbursed it for the State?

There was also a defense of the Statute of Limitations as to part of the company's claim.

An equitable counter-claim was also set up for moneys expended on paupers brought over by plaintiff. The suit came on for trial before Mr. Justice Shipman and a jury, on the 10th day of May, 1881. I moved for the direction of a verdict for the Commissioners, on the ground that the suit was barred by the Act of Congress. Mr. Justice Shipman so held, and judgment was entered in favor of the Commissioners of Emigration. The steamship company appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States. Messrs. Alexander & Green prepared an elaborate set of points for the company of forty-five printed pages, covering all the points involved, and citing no less than one hundred and thirteen authorities and law.

I, with the aid of Mr. George N. Sanders as associate counsel, prepared an equally complete set of points for the Commissioners, covering forty-four pages. Copies of both briefs are herewith submitted. The case was fully argued before the Court by the same counsel, in December, 1883.

It will be seen that there was much room for argument, and that the discussion of the issues required an extended review of common law authorities and a thorough analysis of the Constitution of the United States, as the power of the State and Federal governments in the premises.

The constitutionality of the validating Act of Congress was attacked on several grounds. It must be remembered here that the act validated head-moneys of varying amounts in different States. Hence the counsel for the company said: "It violates the constitutional requirement of uniformity in all imports, and duties. It violates the constitutional prohibition against preferences in any regulation of commerce of the ports of one State over those of another State. \* \* \* It interferes with the obligation of contracts, inasmuch as its operation amounts to a denial of rights already vested by forbidding the use of remedies to enforce such rights."

The learned counsel further contended that in any case the act could not be construed as retrospective, and is not a bar to this action, commenced before its passage.

These positions were certainly specious, and not easily disposed of. In answer, we maintained that the head-money was neither an import nor a duty nor an excise, but simply a regulation of commerce, and therefore could not violate the rule of uniformity prescribed only for duties, imports and excises; and this view was favoured by the subsequent decision of the Court in Edye against Robertson, Collector, (U. S.).

We further maintained that as a regulation of commerce the headmoneys did not give any preference to the ports of New York, because a tax is the opposite of a preference; and the State of New York consenting, no one else can object. Again, that the head-moneys only lacked the consent of Congress to validate them, and that consent could be given as well *after* as *before* their collection. The other points already adverted to were likewise argued *in extenso*, and the review of authorities on voluntary payments will be found particularly full.

To show how difficult of solution were the points involved, the Supreme Court held them under consideration for over a year, and then, in January, 1885, found that they were not sufficiently presented by the company's declaration or complaint, and held that the case must go back to the Court below for a fuller presentation of the issues without deciding any of them, the opinion, rendered by Mr. Justice Mathews, saying: "These questions, particularly that which challenges the constitutionalty of the Act of Congress, it is manifest, are of very grave importance; and after much consideration, we feel constrained to reverse the judgment without deciding any of them." This reopened the case for trial on the merits.

I pressed the company to trial again in the Circuit Court. The company, after several delays, being finally compelled to go to trial or abandon the suit, concluded to abandon it, and the case was dismissed on the 6th instant. From this dismissal no appeal lies; hence it is a final determination of the suit.

The other suit was in equity, by the Inman Steamship Company, by the same attorneys, for the same amount. It required the preparation of a lengthy answer and the study of further points of equity law. After the final dismissal of the first suit the attorneys consented to the dismissal of this one also, and this is the end of the head-money litigation.

It may well be inferred that our argument in the Supreme Court discouraged our opponents, if it did not reach a decision of the Court. I received two fees, amounting in all to five thousand dollars, before the appeal by the Liverpool, New York and Philadelphia Steamship Company to the Supreme Court in 1881; but it will be observed that was while the result was still in suspense, and that the greater part of the work has been performed since, and that there has as yet been no fee paid in the suit of the Inman Steamship Company.

In these suits, of great magnitude and difficulty, sustained by eminent counsel, and opposed as to the leading case with great labor and assiduity during their pendency of nine years, I herewith submit my bill, which, for the gravity of the questions and interests involved, the amounts in suit, the responsibility sustained and the labor incurred, I deem very moderate, and respectfully request that your honorable body request from the Legislature an appropriation to pay the same, knowing that you are not in funds for that purpose.

> Respectfully, LEWIS SANDERS.

NEW YORK, January 27th, 1886.

NEW YORK, January 27th, 1886.

The Commissioners of Emigration :

To Lewis Sanders. Dr.

# Report of Consulting Board of Physicians and Surgeons.

Hon. HENRY A. HURLBUT,

President of the Commissioners of Emigration:

SIR:—Some days since, the following communication was received by the chairman of the Consulting Board of Ward's Island Emigrant Hospital.

> Castle Garden, } New York, January 5th, 1886. }

Dr. S. OAKLEY VANDERPOEL, Chairman Consulting Board :

DEAR SIR :---The Board of Commissioners of Emigration request that the consulting Board of Physicians and Surgeons will make a report to them of the operations of the Ward's Island Hospital Department during the past year, and as to the condition of the hospitals, together with any recommendations they may deem proper to make.

Very respectfully,

H. J. JACKSON, Secretary.

In compliance with the above request, the committee of the consulting Board have made a careful inspection of all the wards of the hospital. It was their priviledge to find nothing but what to commend. The visit was made without previous notice. So that no special preparations for inspection could be made. All the physicians were found on duty, and all actively employed. The wards, beds and clothing were scrupulously clean, the rooms well ventilated, and the sick had a contented well-cared for appearance.

Indeed it may be affirmed no hospital in the city is better conducted. No suggestions, regarding their care or administration, are called for.

The smoothness with which the institutions on Ward's Island under your care have run during the past year, and their continued efficiency has demonstrated the wisdom of your board, in abolishing the separate office of superintendent, and placing the management directly under the supervision of the chief medical officer. This change has undoubtedly resulted in great benefit to the institution, as it has made the medical staff, who best understand the needs of the hospital, directly responsible for its success or failure. As the entire direction is vested in one person, measures important for the welfare of the hospital, and which may at any time become urgent, are quickly accomplished. It is to be hoped that the advantages resulting from the present management are so apparent that no thought will again occur of returning to the old way of having a superintendent independent of the medical staff. Such a course would be a step backward.

The institution is now doing efficiently the work to which it is devoted. By the readiness of your board to carry out promptly the suggestions of the medical staff, it is now well equipped, and nothing is left undone for the care and comfort of the inmates. Whenever in the future improvements suggest themselves your consulting board will promptly call your attention to the same.

In conclusion, we must commend and give our unqualified approval to the recent action of your Board in granting a leave of absence to Dr. A. M. Thomas, who met with an accident so disastrous to his health some months since, while in the discharge of his duties as surgeon. The faithful and zealous manner in which he has always discharged his duties while in the service of your Board have merited at your hands nothing less—more you could not do. We tender him our sincere sympathy in his misfortune, and express the hope that he will be ultimately restored to his former health.

NEW YORK, January 21st, 1886.

Respectfully yours,

S. OAKLEY VANDERPOEL, JAMES W. MCLANE, EDWARD G. JANEWAY, WM. S. HALSTEAD, DANIEL M. STIMSON.

## ANNUAL REFORT OF THE TREASURER.

CASTLE GARDEN, January 18, 1886

GEORGE J. FORREST, Esq., Chairman Finance Committee :

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SIR :—I have the honor to submit herewith a detailed report of the receipts and expenditures of the Commission for the year ending December 31, 1885.

1885, January 1. Cash balance ..... \$13,697 72

#### Receipts.

migrant Fund" \$139,269 36 Received from rentals, viz.:		
Scully & Devitt for Dec. 1884 \$75.00		
L. Semler " " 75 00 Murray & Nugent " " 100 00		
Murray & Nugent " " 100 00		
Bernard Biglin " " 100 00		
John Wood (express contract),		
1 year, ending Dec. 31, 1885 5,499 96		
Geo. H. Metzgar (restaurant contract), 1 year, ending Dec.		
31, 1885 6,249 96 Scully & Devitt (exchange brok-		
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ers), 1 year, ending Dec. 31,		
1885 2,599 93 Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph		
Co., 1 year, ending Dec. 31,		
1885		
Western Union Telegraph Co.,		
12 months, ending Nov. 30,		
1885		
Joint Trunk Lines Railroad		
Agency, 13 months, ending		
Dec. 31, 1885 4,333 29		
<u> </u>		
Received from boarding-house keepers for		
permits 1,750 00		
	\$161,252	50
Total	\$174,950	22

### DISBURSEMENTS.

### Ward's Island Account.

Apples, dried	<b>\$136</b> 85
Apples, dried Asylum expenses, transfer of patients, &c	69 47
Awnings.	56 00
Agricultural implements	48 05
Butter, 3,367 lbs	842 25
Bread, 4,354 loaves	261 24
Barley	
Barley Brooms, brushes, &c	
Plashing	•
Blacking	11 90
Beans	331 34
Blankets	72 00
Bedding	150 35
Carpet for office	186 62
Cartage	8 90
Coffee, 8,284 lbs	1,118 35
Cheese, 1,204 lbs	152 08
Crackers	64 22
Coal, gas, 512,920 tons	2,054 87
Coal, hard, $2,185\frac{1}{4}$ tons	8,652 94
Commitment of insane patients	435 00
Cook house supplies, sundry	623 93
Candles	23 42
Crockery	61 09
Coffins	93 00
Clothing	604 89
Drugs and apothecaries' supplies	3,699 18
Dry goods	1,162 14
Eggs, 4,509 doz	1,142 88
Float for Ferry	335 00
Feed	38 50
Flour, 650 bbls	2,966 25
Fruit	
Fertilizers	55 75 146 53
Glass	140 53
Hardware	425 19
Harness	7 40
Hominy	96 55
Hats and caps	37 78
Iron	92 18
Lemons	62 30
Lumber	335 50
Leather	18 00
Lime and cement	110 23
Milk, cows', 84,578 qts	3,489 20
Milk, condensed, 9,346 qts	1,977 40
Molasses	93 32
Carried forward	\$32,741 13

Brought forward	\$32,741	13
Mustard	72	85
Meat, 204,415 lbs	20,246	16
Fish, 16,021 lbs	1,121	47
Meal	Í122	10
Malt	9	74
Matches	ıó	20
Needles and pins	16	91
Office expenses, fares, &c	613	98
Oars	12	00
Oil	104	68
Oats	125	75
Potatoes	155	00
Pepper	-33 54	95
Peas	196	13
Prunes	44	88
Plumbing and steam fitting material	44 401	08
Paints	202	86
Quilts	202	
Rice to 212 lbs	20 640	50
Rice, 10,312 lbs Rent of ferry premises at 110th St., E. R.,	040	53
18 months, ending Nov. 1, 1885	750	<u></u>
Repairs, sundry, to buildings and machinery	750	
Rope	330	•
Rubber hose	11 26	75
Sundries	-	36
Sundries	203	31
Sardines	76	00
Soap	1,114	64
Straw	208	24
Salt	57	80
Seeds	286	00
Shoes	1,413	70
Sugar, 31,254 lbs	1,758	92
Starch	49	13
Soda	82	41
Stationery and printing	342	60
Stock	9	00
Stoves, repairs to	42	95
Steamboat, repairs to	117	62
Salaries and wages	29,235	08
Surgical instruments and repairs thereto	143	52
Surgical dressing	384	55
Tea, 3,348 lbs	981	01
Tobacco, 868 lbs	253 253	58
Thread	60	77
Vinegar	32	21
Woodenware	52	00
Water rent	1,000	00
Wagon	76	00
Ferry-boat	285	00
Carried forward	\$96,311	69

Brought forward...... \$96,311 69

### Credit.

Received from Superintendent of			
Ward's Island and others:			
For ferriage \$819 79			
" refuse material 341 05			
" groceries sold officers 263 30			
" stock sold 475 00			
" vegetables sold 42 75			
Received from steamship com-			
panies for board of immigrants 4,914 50			
	\$6,856 39		
-		\$89,455	30

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

### Castle Garden Account.

Ambulance service.Brooms and brushes.Bedding.BlanketsCoal and wood.Coffins.Clocks.Drugs and hospital supplies.Disinfectant.Dry goods.Expressage.	$     \                                $
Expenses of officers arresting immigrant swindlers Expenses of boarding officers Furniture Fares of messengers and immigrants Gas Hardware Le Lumber Lime. Newspapers and advertising Plumbing. Postage. Paints	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Carried forward	\$5,680 01

Brought forward	\$5,680	οı	\$89,455	30
Repairs, sundry	284	49		
Sundries	225	40		
Stationery and printing	<b>98</b> 8	00		
Soda	6	72		
Salaries, office	9,217	.37		
Salaries and laborers' wages, landing de-		0.		
partment	30,440	41		
Stoves and repairs to same	321	82		
Telephone, rent of	195	00		
Traveling expenses	9	90		
Telegrams	154	, 19		
Sandy Hook Telegraph Company reporting	0.	-		
steamers	120	00		
Water rent	542	00		
			\$48,185	31
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### Rent Account.

Paid Corporation City of New	v York for re	ent of Castle	
Garden for 13 months, endir	ng Dec. 31, 18	885	\$8,666 74

### Insurance Account.

Paid for insurance			
Ward's Island	 •••••	 	1,196 30

### Forwarding Account.

Paid passages inland and to Europe for im-	
migrants	7,143 52

### Credit.

By amount received from immigrants and		
their friends for part payment of passages	3,633 45	
		3,510 07

### Relief Account.

For meals, provisions				
Castle Garden	••••	 	2,728	46
Carried forward.		 	\$153,742	18

### General Expense Account.

Legal expenses disbursed by the Secretary of the Treas-	
ury in suit testing the Constitutionality of the Act of	
Congress to regulate immigration, viz.:	
Mr. Elihu Root, legal services \$1,000 00	
Same, expenses 22 00	
Mr. A. W. Tenney, legal services 3,500 00	
4,522 00	
For Liverpool, N. Y. and Philadelphia S.S.	
Co. costs	
For Messrs. Kelly & MacRae for legal	
services in various suits 1,230 74	
For steamboat hire, conveying passengers	
and freight to and from Ward's Island 2,336 63	
	8,167 78
Balance	13,040 26
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\$174,950 22

H. J. JACKSON, Treasurer.

#### STATEMENT

Showing the amount of moneys and value of other remittances received by the Treasurer of the Commissioners of Emigration, with which to forward recently arrived emigrants to their friends or relatives to whom application was made for funds and from whom such funds were received for that purpose, together with a statement of the amounts disbursed, returned and remaining on hand January 1, 1886.

MONTH.	Amount received in cash.	Amount received in checks.	Amount received in post-office orders.	Value of passage orders and rail- road tickets.	Total Amount.
January	\$63 00		\$16 00	\$36 16	\$115 16
February	57 50		35 29	12 30	105 09
March	58 25	\$25 00	68 00	<b>2</b> 4 20	175 45
April	110 50	71 00	32 50	145 83	359 83
May	143 85	61 15	29 00	67 40	301 40
June	171 00	27 50	123 89	39 34	361 73
July	117 00	25 65	39 10	32 00	213 75
August	97 30	27 75	51 00	28 00	204 05
September	80 15	41 50		11 00	132 65
October	333 00	55 00	66 90	102 40	557 30
November	95 00	255 00	92 50	4 00	446 50
December	63 50	21 00	31 00	35 00	150 50
Total	\$1,390 05	\$610 55	\$585 18	\$537 63	\$3,123 41

RECEIPTS-1885.

	DISBURS	EMENTS	1005.		
MONTH.	Amount paid in cash, checks and post- office orders.	Value of passage or- ders and railroad tickets.	Amount returned to senders in cash, circes and post- office orders.	Value of passage or- ders and railroad tickets returned to senders.	Total amount paid for forwarding and returned to senders.
January. February. March. April. May. June. July. August. September. October. November. December.	\$39 00 87 79 63 25 143 00 185 50 110 40 175 65 172 80 119 40 182 00 527 50 105 50	\$1 00 47 88 81 90 70 00 6 00 35 29 10 00 114 60 4 00 26 55	\$40 00 2 00 10 00 49 25 204 49 13 60 65 75 35 00 89 00 80 40 	\$12 30 1 00 29 20  3 50  10 00  	\$79 00 100 09 66 25 201 88 345 85 384 89 198 75 273 84 174 40 385 60 611 90 132 05
Total	\$1,911 79	\$397 22	\$589 49	\$56 00	\$2,954 50

#### DISBURSEMENTS-1885

### RECAPITULATION.

### Receipts.

There was re	ceived in	cash	\$1,390 05		
"	"'				
"	"	post office orders	585 18		
66	**	passage orders, value			
Add balance	on hand	January 1, 1885			
				\$3,481	44

### Disbursements.

There was paid in cash, checks and post-office				
orders		79		
And in passage orders, value	397	22		
Cash, checks and post-office orders returned to				
senders	589	49		
And passage orders returned to senders	56			
Balance on hand January 1, 1886	526	94		
			\$3,481	44

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NATIONALITY.	at Sea.	Sea.	Stee	rage.			Stee	rage.			
	Deaths a	Births at	Landed at Castle Garden.	Landed by Coast Vessels.	Cabin.	Total.	Landed at Castle Garden.	Landed by Coast Vessels.	Cabin.	Total.	Grand Total.
England	18	6			9,660	33,009	2,308		2,178	4,486	37,495
Ireland	17	9			2,479	35,597	2,159		1,396	3,555	39,152
Scotland	5	2	5,258		2,639	7,897			659	1,197	9,094
Wales	2	I	931		177	1,108	180		33	213	1,321
Total British Isles	42	18	62,656		14,955	77,611	5,185		4,266	9,451	87,062
Germany	58	43	92,807		5,304	98,111	5,106		3,197	8,303	106,414
Austria	2	2			525	11,251			59	215	11,466
Hungary	12	6	11,062		67	11,129	543		10	553	11,682
Sweden	10	5	15,297		410	15,707			92	840	16,547
Norway	6	2			243	9,786	431		79	510	10,296
Denmark	7		7,198		238	7,436	309		47	356	7,792
Netherlands	2		2,215		243	2,458	58		57	115	2,573
Belgium					195	1,804	93		34	127	1,931
Switzerland	4	I	5,467		1,019	6,486	272		65	337	6,823
France	I		3,616		1,444	5,060			256	454	5,514
Italy	10	7			839	16,033	546		170	716	16,749
Roumania	<b></b> .			· · · · · · · · ·	19	299				4	303
Malta	• • • •		68		5	73		· · · · · · ·	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	73
Greece			41		15	56		• • • <i>•</i> • • • • •	I	4	60
Spain					869	1,063			103	108	1,171
Portugal		'	24	'	· 24'	48	] I	••••••	4	51	53

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Armenia	····					•••••			 468	16 17,046
RussiaBohemia	10 12			184 60	16,578 6,697			27 15	190	6,887
Finland							<b>. .</b> .			16 285
Luxemburg Turkey in Europe				12 7	274 103	10		I	II	205 103
Total Europe, not British Isles	134	74 198,762	•••••	11,722	210,484	9,099	• • <i>•</i> • <b>• •</b> •	4,217	13,316	223,800
India				2						10
China				30		•••••		3	3	113
Japan British East Indies				28				3	3	36 121
British East Indies				47	121					121
Total Asia		167		107	274			6	6	280
Arabia		26			26				6	26
Total Africa and Adjacent Islands		26			26			•••••	· · • • • • • • •	26
Ouebec and Ontario				495	583	I		101	102	685
Nova Scotia			1	I44	• •			2	2	157
New Brunswick		т		38	39		••••••	15	18	57
Total British North American Possessions	 	100		677	777	4	••••••	118	122	899
Cuba		· . I			I					I .
West Indies, not specified		216		1,053	1,269	4		82	86	1,355
Total West Indies	   .	217		1,053	1,270	4		82	86	1,356
										48
Mexico		· · C		29	35		· · · · · · · · ·	13	13	40
Central America, not specified	••••	32	• • • • • •	272	304	<b></b> .		2	2	306
Total Central America		32		272	304			2	2	306
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NATIONALITY.	at Sea.	at Sea.	Stee	rage.			Stee	rage.			~ .
	Deaths	Births	Landed at Castle Garden.	Landed by Coast Vessels.	Cabin.	Total.	Landed at Castle Garden.	Landed by Coast Vessels.	Cabin.	Total.	Grand Total.
South America, not specified			17		211	228			15	15	243
Total South America			17		211	228			15	15	243
Total America	I	• •					4,869		26,229	31,098	31,098
Australia New Zealand					13 13	-	-				33
Total Islands of the Pacific			17		• 26	43	2		I	3	46
Iceland, Greenland, &c			14			. 14		·····			14
Total arrivals			14		•••••	14		· • • • • • • •			14
RECAPITULATION.											
Europe					107	288,095 274 26		<b></b> . <b></b> .	8,483 6	22,767 6	310,862 280 26
Africa America All other	Ι		149	· · · · · · · · · ·	1,160 1,108	1,309	4,873	· · · · · · · · · ·	26,364 96	31,237 102	32,546 1,464
Total	177	92	262,014		29,052	291,066	19,163		34,949	54,112	345,178

Number of steerage passengers landed at Castle Garden, 281,177. Number of steerage passengers reported in Manifests, 283,492.

From January 1st, 1885, to December 31st, 1885, arrived—142,928 adult males; 87,961 adult females; 60,177 children under 12 years of age; total, 291,066,

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# DESTINATION OF IMMIGRANTS landed at Castle Garden during

year 1885.

Arizona	85	Montana 431
Arkansas	174	Mexico 56
Alabama	157	Massachusetts 7,162
Australia	8	Manitoba 12
Alaska	4	New Hampshire 183
British Columbia	91	North Carolina 41
Connecticut	5,269	Nebraska 6,013
Colorado	2,189	Nevada
California	5,638	New Jersey 8,211
Canada	2,134	New York
Cuba	23	New Mexico
Delaware	196	New Brunswick
District of Columbia	332	New Zealand I
Dakota	4,936	Ohio 13,228
East Indies	29	Oregon
Florida	233	Pennsylvania 26,621
Georgia	24.8	Rhode Island 2,213
Indiana	4,189	South Carolina 162
Illinois	35,308	South America
Iowa	10,304	Tennessee 317
Idaho	, 50	Texas 3,575
Indian Territory	21	Utah 1,788
Kentucky	1,243	Vermont
Kansas	5,383	Virginia 238
Louisiana	663	West Virginia 292
Maine	229	Wisconsin 15,330
Maryland	1,715	Washington Territory 175
Michigan	8,733	Wyoming 159
Missouri	7,521	West Indies II
Minnesota		
Mississippi	35	Total
	55	

Name of Steamship Line.	Where From.	Agents.	Cabin.	Steerage.	No. of Trips.
North German Lloyd	Bremen Hamburg Liverpool Liverpool Hawren Hawren Hamburg Glasgow Liverpool Glasgow Liverpool Copenhagen Liverpool Rotterdam Mediterranean Stettin Mediterranean Mediterranean Mediterranean Mediterranean Mediterranean Mediterranean Mediterranean Bordeaux London London Bristol	Oelrichs & Co	8,858 3,109 5,653 5,300 2,714 12,026 3,559  3,088 3,216 2,020 323 645 2,378 575 44 67 11 166 279 177 8 825	68,395 38,943 24,123 21,185 21,112 16,556 11,551 11,137 11,032 10,258 8,046 6,702 5,860 4,035 3,822 3,680 3,212 3,146 2,790 2,723 1,157 473 393 187	$\left \begin{array}{c} 107\\ 760\\ 52\\ 51\\ 52\\ 52\\ 52\\ 52\\ 52\\ 33\\ 42\\ 42\\ 42\\ 48\\ 24\\ 48\\ 24\\ 48\\ 26\\ 8\\ 25\\ 15\\ 9\\ 18\\ 15\\ 22\\ 13\\ 3\\ 6\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 22\\ 13\\ 3\\ 6\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 25\\ 22\\ 25\\ 25$
Miscellaneous.	Bristor	W. D. Morgan	35 84	659	15 15
			55,160	281,177	843

TABLE showing the number of Steerage Passengers landed at Castle Garden during the year 1885; also Cabin Passengers landed at the Port of New York.

JANUARY 1st, 1886.

JOHN E. MOORE, Landing Agent.

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NATIONALITY.	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1856	1857	1858	1859	1860
Ireland	52,946	98,061	112,591	117.038	163,306	118,131	113,164	82,302	43,043	44,276	57,119	25,075	32,652	47,330
Germany	53,180	51.973	55,705	45,535	69,919	118,611	119,644	176,986	52,892	56,113	80,974	31 874		37,899
England.	8,864	23,062	28,321	28,163	28,553	31,551	27,126	30,578	22,938	23,787	28,622		10,375	11,361
Scotland	2,354	6,415	8,840	6,772	7,302	7,694	6,456	4,909	4,270	4,723	5,170		2,325	1,617
France	3,330	2,734	2,683	8,462	5,964	8,868	7,470	7,986	4,174	2,984	3,069			1,549
Switzerland.	1,947	1,622	1,405	2,380	4,499	6,471	4,604	8,883	3,273	2,559	2,454	1,315	791	1,422
Holland	3,611	1,560	2,447	1,174	1,798	1,223	1,085	1,466	822	1,666	1,734 887	348	261	440
Wales	472 882	1,054	1,782	1,520	2,189	2,531	1,182	1,288 81	1,118	1,376	007 62	566		810
Norway		1,207	3,300	3,150	2,112	1,889	377		203	438 918	610	3	36	53
Sweden Italy	139	165	1,007 602	1,110	873 618	2,008	1,630 553	1,859 7 <sup>8</sup> 5	304 •667	600	596	237	318	361
Relatium	197	321	118	476 230		359 82	34	398		850	590 444	669	399	542
Belgium Spain.	551 101		214	230	475 278	471	54 659	646	457	330	263	253 146	57	76 228
West Indies	290	253		554	278 575	265		11	45/ IQ	225	330		234 416	
Denmark.	299	392 52	449 159	554 90	220	157	94	102	174	469	453	344 284	493	523 495
Sardinia.	95		172	165	98	-57 60	72	148	67	426	405	324	493	495
South America		31	33	104	121	120	175	111	112	163	66	92	138	110
Portugal	34	37	287	65	26	37	237	205	24	30	93	27	45	110
Nova Scotia	54		151	164	81	73	6	128	0	30	40	18	81	
Russia	10		38	18	23		39	55	20	56	42	19	69	61
Canada			59	61	50	33 48		2	64	57	30	17	25	25
Mexico		23	33	41	42	23	51	34	20	19	11	13	13	22
Sicily			21	28	12	42	37	58	18	10	26	19	I	4
China		2	9	II	22	14	53	20	18	8	. 11	15	4	13
East India	23		32	82	10	18			5			7		4
Greece		I	-6	4	I	11	I	7	<b>´</b> 3	3	8	2	6	2
Turkey			6	4	4	5	10	6	2	4		6	3	3
Arabia			8								···· · ·			
Africa									· · · · · · · · · ·					
Australia														
Japan									· · · · · · · · ·			• • • • • • • • •		
Central America		••••					· · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · ·						• • • • • • • • •
Austria.								••••					••••	. <b></b>
Luxemburg		• • • • • • • • •	••••				 186		·····	•••••	•••••	••••••	•••••••	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Poland	26	12	133	188	422	188	180	169	346	142	245	88	114	80
Unknown	• • • • • • • • •	95	••••	••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	••••	•••••
	120.062	189,176	220.602	212,706	289,601	300,992	284,945	310.222	136,233	142,352	183,773	78.580	7).322	105,162
		109,170	~~0,005	2.2,790	209,001	3-3,992		J-91443	-3-1-33		31775	/01209	17.3**	103,102

TABLE showing the numbers and nationalities of alien passengers who arrived at the port of New York from May 5th, 1847, to January 1st, 1886.

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TABLE—(Continued).

NATIONALITY.	1861	1862	1863	1864	1865	1866	1867	1868	1869	1870	1871	1872	1873
Ireland. Germany England. Scotland France. Switzerland. Holland. Wales. Norway. Norway. Sweden. Italy Jtaly Belgium. Spain. Spain. West Indies. Denmark.	25,784 27,139 5,632 659 1,200 1,398 331 697 93 382 750 165 190 165 612	32,217 27,740 7,975 602 1,187 1,254 456 1,062 22 663 487 195 124 156 1,689	92,157 25,002 19,757 1,937 1,194 407 1,143 238 1,370 444 450 202 256 1,580	89,399 57,446 23,710 1,126 1,804 1,652 615 659 888 1,516 475 1866 1966 2366 565	27,286 3,962 2,059 2,513 729 505 158 2,237 591 977 224 283 727	4,979 3,264 3,685 1,506 540 583 3,907 918 157 315 246 1,526	33,712 6,315 3,204 3,985 2,156 142 309 4,843 1,032 1,623 203 214 1,372	47,571 101,989 29,695 7,390 2,811 3,302 1,265 699 1,008 14,529 993 149 210 171 1,087	66,204 99,605 41,090 10,643 2,765 2,909 1,247 1,111 3,465 210 378 2,600	2,210 1,925 525 2,678 11,551 2,081 93 156 140 2,441	65,506 88,601 36,965 10,154 4,245 2,630 929  2,718 10,749 2,309 161 130 215 3,210 763	68,747 132,705 36,299 9,014 "10,093 3,630 2,154 644 5,039 10,978 6,593 430 10,978 6,593 430 179 194 3,234	68,612 104,214 33,189 8,392 6,102 2,979 4,287 621 6,417 8,090 6,847 648 221 345 3,759
Poland. Sardinia. South America. Portugal Nova Scotia. Russia Canada. Mexico.	43 67 88 14 11 36 19 45	50 39 92 13 67 46 33 13	137  60 3 77 47 17 38	198  124 34 40 37 35 92	423 100 42 77 93 43 70	231 155 96 40 154 28 56	268 	268 134 13 52 145 33 . 34	598  60 119 376 27 90	577 34 5 23 433 34 37	703 85 48 53 713 68 29	2,633 89 110 45 1,217 48 32 42	2,400 119 15 14 1,817 71 53
Sicily China. East India. Greece. Turkey. Africa. Australia. Hungary.				3 4 <sup>1</sup> 13 5	3 36 7 5 5 37	1 26 15 5 8 15	17 4 8 6 2 44	3 49 2 10 22 10 26	15 25 7 5 17 12	20 13 14 1 11 9	246 6 7 20 8 22	67 11 59 11 23 25	69 69 14 24 10 12
nungary Japan Central America. Austria Luxemburg. Unknown			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		18	12 7 12	87 7	3 21 	4 38	I 24 	14 35	11 25 	26 6,859 517
	65,539	76,603	156,844	180,296	196,352	233,418	242,731	213,695	258,989	212,170	229,639	294,581	266,818

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TABLE—(Continued).

NATIONALITY.	1874	1875	1876	1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	Grand Total
13	35,908	19,924	10,314	8,321	13,013	22,624	66,399	63,537	52,768	55,184	39,966	35,597	2,355,497
reland	40,302	25,559	21,035	17,753	23,051	33,574	104,264	198,933	198,468	176,691	141,922	98,111	3,113,787
Germany	20,112	11,180	8,447	6,652	9,344	21,555	33,768	38,800	40,849	41,525	32,086	33,000	981,79 <b>7</b>
England	5,002	3,070	2,240	1,400	1,852	6,087	0,625	11,137	13,557	8,922	6,872	7,897	225,190
cotland	3,316	2,376	2,168	1,221	1,648	2,331	4,087	4,405	4,667	3,932	3,898	5,060	138,959
rance			1,202	I,323	2,033	5,683	8,223	11.760	12,068	10,326	7,237	6,486	145,936
witzerland	2,296	1,439 844	588	359	594	1,088	3,259	8,178	7,078	3,971	3,029	2,458	68,993
Iolland	1,335 1,886		451	359 348	594 651	2,899	3,588	4,207	4,451	3,840	1,776	1,108	51,353
Vales		504 2,602	2,114	1,485	2,800	4,993	9,987	14,138	15,147	11,939	9,942	9,786	124,939
Vorway	3,447		3,693		4,162	12,394	35,217	36,368	42,517	19,976	16,722	15,707	303,427
weden	3,743	3,303	3,093	3,710 2,831	4,102	7,220	11,100	16,528	27,484	25,485	14,076	16,033	167,824
taly	5,034	2,575	2,618			422	1,309	2,077	1,043	1,331	1,971	1,804	20,401
Belgium	325	204	292 260	125	223 767	422	931	1,589	I,327	1,161	·	1,063	16,727
pain	249	190		313	660		1,298		1,517	1,001	1,104	1,269	17,337
Ŷest Indies	307	146	464	644		390		1,037	12,834	8,404	7,100	7,436	90,253
Denmark	3,167	1,854	1,218	1,601	2,249	2,891	5,577	9 <b>,17</b> 4	12,034	0,404	7,100	7,430	11,201
oland												•••••	2,306
ardinia			•••••					••••				228	5,529
outh America	174	102	136	114	182	I37	355	233	424	353	427 26	48	2,112
ortugal	20	21	42	8	13	24	54	78	12	48			2,653
Nova Scotia		13	87	26	83	163	239	214	122	77	30	. 155	
New Brunswick					13	2	10	4	20		20	-6 -39	136
Russia	7,565	3,125	5,626	2,391	3,346	3,103	7,693	10,563	15,900	7,577	12,432	16,578	
anada		144	154	120	176	259	339	228	291	511	436	583	4,177
Aexico	27	20	49	114	109	99	126	170	313	228	242	35	2,473
icily										· · · · · · · · · ·		••••	339
China	84	65	192	110	145	181	· 200	345	293	208	158	110	2,916
Cast India		26		12	25	29	48	23	18	26	25	121	678
sle of Man			33 18	16	15	82	-91					•••••	. 222
Freece	27	15	21	13	10	28	40	15	126	63	64	56	684
лгеесе	28	10	24	20	27	11	Ġı	68	140	104	72	103	857
furkey	1 20	19	-4	29	-/						90	26	124
Arabia	4,320	3,066	2,721	2,325	2,006	2,801	7,606	9,683	7,179	4,877	7,093	6,697	60,374
30hemia		3,000		21,323	31	26	45	43	52	60	17		486
Africa	17	4	31	26	27	23	39	20	34	54	16	30	447
Australia		874	31 496		613	1,989		7,156	11,944	13,160	15,797	11,120	70,196
Hungary		074 T	490		<b>U</b>	1,909	0,07-	49	10	3, 8	7	33	328
[apan	20	28	4	72 01	4	130	95	163	185	130	300	304	1,827
Central America			106				4,461		2,707	3,095	3,731	11,251	42,862
Austria	1,001	1,030	1,210		1,001	1,727	4,401	4,147	404	3,095	242	274	3,893
Luxembourg	329	150	85	95	122	263	511 14			300	20	10	5,-95
Asia		2	4		28	4	14	I	33	1,166	122	432	2,126
Unknown			• • • • • • • •		28	9	• • •••	77	195	1,100	122	43~	
	140,041	84,560	68,264	54,536	75,347	135,070	327,371	455,681	476,086	405,909	330,030	291,066	8,143,168

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OF EMIGRATION.

Commissioners

### EXTRACT from the Report of Mr. WM. F. SWITZLER, Chief of the Bureau of Statistics, United States Treasury Department.

Number	and	Nationality of	Immigrants	arrived	in	the	United	States	during	the	twelve	years	ending	June	30th, from
					187	4 to	1885,	inclusiv	е.						

COUNTRIES.	1874	1875	1876	1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	Total.
England. Ireland Scotland. Wales.	50,905 53,707 10,429 665	40,130 37,957 7,310 449	24,373 19,575 4,582 324	4,135	18,405 15,932 3,502 243	24,183 20,013 5,225 543	71,603 12,640		82,394 76,432 18,937 1,656	81,486 11,859		47,332 51,795 9,226 1,127	550,572 578,755 112,073 9,986
Jersey Island. Guernsey Island. Channel Islands, other. Isle of Man. Great Britain, not specified.	16	0	. I I0	4	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<b></b>					6 3 8 49 113
Total British Isles	115,728		48,866				144,876	153,718	179,423	158,092		109,508	1,251,565
Germany Austria Bohemia	87,291 7,888	47,769 6,882	31,937 5.646		29,313 4,504	34,602 5,331	84,638 12,904	210,485 21,109	250,630 13,619 6,602	194,786 10,923 5,462	13,534	11,574	1,304,868 118,937 26,655
Hungary Sweden Norway	962 5.712 10,384	5,573	630 5,603 5,173	4,991	646 5,390	632 11,001	39,186	6 826 49,760	8,929				59,558 278,902 162,721
Denmark Netherlands Belgium	3,082 2,444 817	2.656 1,237 615	1,547 855 515	1,695 591	2,105 608 354	3,474 753 512	6,576		11.618 9,517	10,319 5,249	9,202 4,198 1,576	6,100 2,689 1,653	67,491 40,078 12,409
Switzerland France Italy	3,093 9,643 7,596	1,814 8,321 3,570	1,549 8,002 2,910	1,686 5,856	1,808	3,161 4,655	6,156 4,313	11,293 5,227	10.844 6,003	12,751 4.821 31,784	9,386 3,608	5,895 3,493 13,599	69,436 68,101 148,756
Sicily Sardinia Corsica	62 8 1		104 1 2		212 I		27 I	14 	7 75 1	8	37 	43 2	659 85 7
Malta Greece Spain	5 36 485	6 25 601	7 19 518		2 16 457	3 21 457	1 22 389	1 19 484	3 126 378	73 262	1 37 300	4 172 350	38 590 5,346

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Countries.	1874	1875	18 <b>7</b> 6	1877	1878	1879	188 <b>0</b>	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	Total.
Portugal Gibraltar Russia in Europe Poland. Finland. Lapland.	60 5 3,960 1,795 113	763 3 7,982 984 15	471 10 4,764 925 10	1,291 9 6,579 533 20	660 I 3,037 547 II	1 4,434 489	260 14 4,854 2,177 160	5,614	42 7 16,321 4,672 597	176 9,186 2,011 723	701 7 11,854 4,536 835	440 16,603 3,085 555	5,429 62 94,439 27,368 3,234
Heligoland Turkey in Europe	62 a	1 27 <i>a</i>					24 11 1		69 65	86 77	150 238	138 803	2 756 1,224 1
Total Europe, not British Isles	145,504	95,774	71,237	66,942	62,750	83,103	202,871	373,723	467,341	363,062	322,912	241,980	2,497,199
Total Europe	261,232	181,635	120,103	105,092	100,832	133,070	347,747	527,441	646,764	521,154	452,206	351,488	3,748,764
China	13,776 81	16,437 61	22,781 162	<b>10,</b> 594 46	8,992 22		5,802 37	11,890 92	39,579 50	8,031 82	279 231	22 176	<sup>147,787</sup> 1,096
Total Asia	13,857	16,498	22,943	10,640	9,014	9,660	5,839	11,982	39,629	8,113	510	198	148,883
SUMMARY.													
From Europe From Asia From Africa From America. From America Islands. From all other, not specified	261,232 13,857 22 35 339 1,170 1,719	181,635 16,498 54 26,642 1,269 1,400	120,103 22,943 54 24,686 1,312 888	105,092 10,640 22 24,065 914 1,124	9,014 14	9,660 17 33,025 816	954	25	646,764 39,629 32 100,063 889 1,615	8,113 56 71,699 747	510 13	198 44	3,748,764 148,883 374 676,408 11,447 14,339

313,339 227,498 169,986 141,857 138,469 177,826 457,257 669,431

Number and Nationality of Immigrants arrived in the United States, &c.-(Continued).

a Included in "Turkey in Europe."

Aggregate.....

¿ Of this number 6,613 arrived in July, prior to the date when the Chinese immigration act went into effect, viz., August 6th, 1882.

788,992 603,322 518,592 395,346 4,602,915

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

#### IMMIGRATION.

### (Extract from Report of Chief of Bureau of Statistics.)

The following table exhibits the total number of immigrants arrived at the ports of the United States named below, and from the principal foreign countries, during the month ending December 31st, 1885, and the twelve months ending the same, as compared with the same periods of the preceding year :

Ports and Countries.		month of nber—	For the twelve months ending December 31-			
TOKIS AND COURTRIES.	1885.	1884.	1885.	1884.		
PORTS.						
Baltimore, Md	418	876	8,086	30,707		
Boston, Mass	366	442	19,919	26,792		
New Orleans, La	39	233	1,196	2,922		
New York, N. Y	9,611	9,250	273,594	322,675		
Philadelphia, Pa	978	685	22,745	19,064		
San Francisco, Cal	100	51	871	1,070		
Total	11,512	11,537	326,411	403,230		
COUNTRIES.						
Great Britain and Ireland:						
England and Wales	2,084	2,135	45,385	53,440		
Ireland	1,053	1,150	49,356	57,976		
Scotland	633	384	10,163	8,663		
Total	3,770	3,669	104,904	120,079		
Germany	3,072	3,650	106,910	154,497		
France	235	283	3,135	3,688		
Austria	364	332	10,602	12,728		
Bohemia and Hungary	693	622	14,752	18,291		
Russia, Finland and Poland	855	923	20,151	19,877		
Sweden and Norway	677	457	31,591	33,586		
Denmark	132	121	5,793	7,227		
Netherlands	63	67	2,499	3,731		
Italy	1,162	947	15,689	14,268		
Switzerland	242 247	220 246	5,126 5,259	8,215 7,043		
Total	11,512	11,537	326,411	403,230		

1885.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November,	December.	Total.
Number of persons who received their relatives													
and friends Number of emigrants delivered to their relatives	298	461	937	1,076	2,912	915	1,150	1,257	867	1,335	819	512	12,539
and friends	326	591	1,266	2,292	4,479	2,471	1,696	2,357	1,418	2,169	1,021	723	20,809
Jumber of persons for whom records were searched, seeking information           Jumber of emigrants lodged in German board-	31	53	87	191	312	148	115	105	61	99	53	27	1,282
ing-houses	255	607	1,966	3,428	5,914	3,222	2,915	3,750	2,324	3,498	1,109	674	29,66 <b>2</b>
ing-houses	75	188	393	1,092	1,665	739		579	466		371		7,347
Sumber of husbands	20	43	37	47	61	21	35	31	49	63	28	26	461
Jumber of wives	11	13	11	9	8	11	7	10	5	5	4	5	99
Sumber of parents	15	10	27	61	67	45	36 38	35	35	48	23	30	456
umber of sons and daughters	13	12	33	55	75	40		33	34 38	45	22	20	421
Sumber of brothers and sisters	35	94 38	149	235	610	344	504	224	30 108	299 100	159	79 65	2,770
Sumber of cousins	20 16		143	111 202	418	138	131 261	141 242	209		83 83	- 5	1,519
Sumber of uncles, aunts, nephews and nieces.	10 16	37	79 81	202 122	457 302	159 158	201	242 114	209	123	84	70 67	2,029 1,209
Jumber related by marriage           Jumber of friends	208	34 327	831	1,374	2,779	1,319		1,689	1,095		729		1,299

### TABLE OF STATISTICS giving nature and amount of business transacted in Bureau of Information.

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COMMISSIONERS OF

Emigration.

## REPORT OF THE LABOR BUREAU.

CASTLE GARDEN, New York, January 27th, 1886.

H. J. JACKSON, Esq., Superintendent :

SIR—The undersigned beg leave to present herewith the report of the Labor Bureau for 1885.

Respectfully,

### WILLIAM CONNOLLY,

Irish Emigrant Society.

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#### L. P. REICHARD,

German Society.

### I. NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS EMPLOYED.

During the year employment was procured for 15,539 immigrants, of whom 8,643 were males and 6,896 females.

Included in the foregoing were 222 families, comprising 612 persons.

i de la companya de l	Males.	Females.
Irish	2,343	5,307
German	5,491	1,024
English, Scotch and Welsh	230	361
Scandinavians	104	69
Swiss	169	12
Russians and Poles	154	42
Hungarians and Bohemians	83	Ġo
Hollanders and Belgians	18	••
French	41	19
Italians	7	2
Arabs	3	••

#### II. NATIVITIES OF THE EMPLOYED.

III. GENERAL CHARACTER OF THE EMPLOYMENT OBTAINED.

Of the males 1,862 found employment in professional and mechanical pursuits, and 6,781 at agricultural and common labor.

The females were, for the most part, engaged for domestic work, the exceptions being 213 employed in the silk, woolen and cotton industries.

#### IV. OCCUPATIONS.

The occupations in which male immigrants, other than agricultural and common laborers, found employment, were :

### V. DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR.

The extent of the distribution of the employed immigrants is shown by the following:

•	Males.	Females.		Males.	Females
Canada	4	2	Mississippi	2	••
Connecticut	872	149	Maryland	12	2
Delaware	8	I	Missouri	12	2
Dist. of Columbia	4	2	New Jersey	1,410	938
Florida	28	II	New York	5,323	5,628
Georgia	10	•••	New Hampshire	5	I
Illinois	16	3	North Carolina		3
Indiana	10	3	Ohio	57	8
Iowa	6	2	Pennsylvania	516	16
Kansas	3	4	Rhode Island	26	29
Kentucky	9	6	South Carolina	18	4
Louisiana	5		Tennessee	3	I
Maine	16	4	Vermont	110	32
Massachusetts	74	31	Virginia	28	10
Michigan	33	2	West Virginia	5	I
Minnesota	2	•• '	Wisconsin	5	I

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### VI. WAGES.

The following are the monthly averages of wages registered at this Bureau for farm hands and female servants during the past year :

	Farm Hands.	Female Servants.
January		\$8 00
February	8 50	9 50
March	II 00	10 00
April	14 <b>o</b> o	10 CO
May	14 00	10 00
June	14 <b>o</b> o	10 00
July	13 00	10 00
August		10 00
September	10 00	10 00
October	9 50	10 00
November	9 50	10 00
December	800	9 00

# Report of the Resident Physician at Castle Garden

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1885.

Castle Garden Hospital, January 1st, 1886.

H. J. JACKSON, Esq.,

Superintendent.

SIR:—I have the honor to submit to you the following report for the year 1885.

	The number of sick and destitute emigrants sent to Ward's
	Island, including the passengers of the steamships "Weser"
	and "Polynesia," which were quarantined on account of
3,694	small pox breaking out during the month of June
	The number of patients who were treated in the "Temporary
547	Hospital" for terms varying from one day to two weeks
	The number of dispensary patients treated and who were fur-
2,190	nished medicines
	The number of deaths that occurred in the "Temporary Hos-
25	ital "during the year
	The number of deaths at sea and brought to Castle Garden for
17	interment on Ward's Island
-	The number of deaths occurring in the emigrant boarding-
7	houses and transferred to Ward's Island for burial
ģ	The number of births during the year
2	Still-born

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS W. SCHULTZE,

Resident Physician.

# REPORT OF BAGGAGE MASTER.

H. J. JACKSON, Esq.,

Superintendent, Castle Garden :

SIR:—I have the honor to submit in the annexed table the report of baggage landed at Castle Garden, stored and delivered during year 1885.

Name of Month.	Number received.	Number delivered.
January	3,405	3,399
February	5,454	5,444
March	13,208	13,178
April	25,532	25,464
May	34,452	34,373
June	22,209	22,145
July	16,013	15,969
August	16,737	16,688
September	17,103	17,047
October	15,821	15,784
November	11,266	11,242
December	6,152	6,136
Total	τ87,352	186,869

483 pieces remaining in baggage room, January 1st, 1886.

Yours respectfully,

### MICHAEL GRANT,

Baggage Master.

### 1885.

### ANNUAL REPORT

OF

# WARD'S ISLAND DEPARTMENT

### STATE EMIGRANT

Hospital, Asylum and Refuge.

Consulting Board of Physicians and Surgeons,

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Assistant Resident Physicians,

W. B. MARPLE M.D., Acting Physician in-Chief. A. J. Fox, M.D. J. E. WALKER, M.D.

### REPORT OF THE ACTING PHYSICIAN-IN-CHIEF.

STATE EMIGRANT HOSPITAL, ASYLUM AND REFUGE, WARD'S ISLAND, NEW YORK, JANUARY 1ST, 1886.

#### Hon. HENRY A. HURLBUT, President, and Board of Commissioners of Emigration:

GENTLEMEN:—Owing to the continued disability of Dr. A. M. Thomas, the duties of Physician in-Chief still devolve upon me, and I respectfully present the subjoined annual report of Ward's Island Emigrant Hospital and Refuge for the past year.

Remaining in hospital Dec. 31st, 1884 Admitted during the year Born alive	208 1,574 90
Total treated Discharged during year 1,602 Died """	1,872
	1,702
- Remaining in hospital Dec. 31st, 1885	170
Remaining in institution Dec. 31st, 1884 Admitted to institution during the year Number of births	434 2,109 90
- Total number cared for	2,633
Discharged during the year	2,382
Remaining in institution Dec. 31st, 1885	251
Daily average number inmates Mortality rates Mortality rates of hospital	294 3.8 5· <b>3</b>

As during 1884, last year was one of gratifying health, throughout the hospital. Our continued favorable mortality rate still shows the beneficial effects on the hospital health of the numerous improvements instituted throughout the departments during the past four or five years.

In our obstetric department, during the year, there have been 92 births. 264 women have been delivered in this department during the past thirty months, and it is exceedingly gratifying to be able to report no death from puerperal causes among this number; an exceedingly favorable showing. The plan of treatment of lying-in patients has continued the same as during last year.

The transfer of our insane patients to the building adjoining the Verplanck Hospital building has, I am glad to say, proven to be both beneficial to our patients as well as economical for the commission. I am convinced that our insane patients are under closer and more careful observation than formerly, and are just as well provided for as in the other building.

My acknowledgments are due the Consulting Board of Physicions and Surgeons for aid in difficult cases, and for advice in matters of interest to the hospital; and to my associates in the medical staff for their willing and efficient coöperation at all times.

I wish also to acknowledge my obligation for the readiness on the part of your honorable Board to assist us in every way in carrying out measures calculated to improve the condition of our inmates.

I have the honor to remain, your obedient servant,

W. B. MARPLE, Acting Physician-in-Chief.

# STATISTICS OF THE STATE EMIGRANT HOSPITAL, WARD'S ISLAND, 1885.

### TABLE NO. 1.

Statistics State Emigrant Hospital for the year ending December 31st, 1885.

Remaining in hospital December 31st, 1884	208
Admitted since	1,574
Born alive	90
Total treated       1,602         Discharged during the year       100         Died during the year       100	1,872
Total	1,702
Remaining in hospital December 31st, 1885	170

### TABLE NO. 2.

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### Obstetric Department.

Number of women delivered Number of children born alive Number of twins born	94 90 0
Number of boys born alive	
Total number of live births	90
Number of boys still-born       I         Number of girls still-born       3	
Total number of still-births	4
Total number of births	94

Remaining in hospital De-	-Over 12 y Males.	ears of age- Females.	—Under 12 Males.	years of age- Females.	Total.
cember 31st, 1884	106	67	14	<b>2</b> I	208
Admitted since	874	489	126	85	1,574
Born alive	• • • •	••••	45	45	90
Total treated	980	556	185	151	1,872
Discharged since	864	466	142	130	1,602
Died during the year	41	26	24	9	100
Total	905	492	166	139	1,702
Remaining in hospital De- cember 31st, 1885	75	· 64	19	I 2	170

### TABLE NO. 3.

### TABLE NO. 4.

### Census of Hospital Wards on January 1st, 1886.

#### MEDICAL.

WARDS.	Male Adults.	Female Adults.	Male Children.	Female Children.	Total.
I	••	17	3	3	23
2	••	10	6	6	22
.3	••	10	4	5	19
5	••	13	••	••	13
7	23	••	••	••	23
Quarantine 1	5	••	••	••	5
" 3	••	8	I	••	9
Total	28	58	14	14	114

#### SURGICAL.

WARDS.	Male Adults.	Female Adults.	Male Children.	Female Children.	Total.
6		9	I	2	12
8	_	••	••	••	18
10	26	••	••	••	26
Total	44	9	I	2	56

#### TOTALS.

Male Adults.	Female Adults.	Male Children.	Female Children.	Tctal.
72	67	15	16	170
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### TABLE NO. 5.

### State Emigrant Hospital, Ward's Island, Admissions and Discharges during the year 1885.

#### Admissions.

MONTHS.	Male Adults.	Female Adults.	Male Children.	Female Children.	Total.
January February	124 115	36	5	7 6	172
March	84	30 52	4 18	16	155 170
April May	93 45	43 61	27 21	6 21	169 148
June	42 55	47 40	19	21 13	129 118
August	70 68	41	15	9	135
September October	64	22 34	12 14	4 2	106 114
November	45 69	$35 \\ 48$	12 14	13 12	105 143
	874	489	171	130	1,664

### DISCHARGES.

Months.	Male Adults.	Female Adults.	Male. Children.	Female Children.	Total.
January	106	36	3	4	149
February	III	20	7	8	146
March	89	39	9	I 2	149
April	100	59	13	16	188
May	66	57	21	18	162
June	47	53	28	23	151
July	50	45	8	IO	113
August	46	44	II	14	115
September	62	23	7	4	9Ğ
October	88	34	II	6	139
November	42	21	8	6	77
December	57	35	16	<b>9</b> ·	117
	864	466	142	130	1,602

### TABLE No. 6.

### Table showing the nativity of the patients admitted 1885.

#### Admissions.

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MONTHS.	Germany.	Ireland.	United States.	England.	Russia.	Italy.	Hungary.	Austria.	Sweden.	Poland.	Swiss.	Scotland.	France.	Denmark.	Norway.	Bohemia.	Slavonia.	At Sea.	Roumania.	Finland.	Arabia.	Holland.	Belgium.	Spain.	Cuba.	India.	Persia.	New Zealand.	Wales.	Turkey.	Total.
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January		10	10	8	3	4	4	II	5	3	4	2			-	і т	1 2		1 -	-					I	1				I	155
February.		· · · ·	7	13	9	· 5	7	0	5	3		4	3		· · · ·	1	Ť	T	T	2	I			1							170
March	54		17	9	5	9	3	5	0		3		3	4		) J	2	-				2	2								169
April	59	33	15 6	9	9	6	4	0	O	4		L	1	4	4	1	1	1 .			1	-	-	•			i			1	148
May	72	17	6	4	20	3	2	••••	5	7		••••	1	2	4			1 .	1		í .						і т	_		1 1	129
June	50	II	10	8	13	3	7	3	8	4			1	1	-			1 °				1		i		1					118
July	43	20	14	4	16	2	2	5	4	I	2	• • • •	• • • •	1			2		1			t				ł			I т		135
August	52	25	9	14	7	5	I	6	3	2	7			I	····		· · ·								1						106
September		19	7	9	6	5	6	2	· · · •	3	3	4	I	2	I			<u>ا</u>			••••										114
October	48	14	9	12	4	9	3	3	I	2	4	••••				· · · ·															105
November	30	18	10	11	II	5	8	2	2			4	2		• • • •	1				••••			••••								143
December		27	12	10	5	8	6	2	4	6			4	II	II	3					2						· · · · ·				-45
																						-	4		т	т	т	Т	Т	I	1.664
Total	622	283	126 <sup>1</sup>	III	108	64	53	51]	49	42	30	20	19	10	14	II	10	<u>1 7</u>	4	4	4	4	4	. 4	., 1						-,- • +

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### Table showing the nativity of the patients discharged 1885.

DISCHARGES	

MONTHS.	Germany.	lreland.	England.	Russia.	United States.	Italy.	Austria.	Sweden.	Hungary.	Poland.	Swiss.	Scotland.	Denmark.	Norway.	France.	Slavonia.	Bohemia.	At Sea.	Belgium.	Roumania.	Finland.	Arabia.	Wales.	Spain.	Holland.	India,	Cuba.	Turkey.	Persia.	Total.
January	58 65	22	13	6	6	3	10	7	3	4	6	r	I	2	• •	I	I		I		2		I	I						149
February.	65 61	33	9	5	5	2	4	3	2	I	5	I	I	I	3		I		I	2			••••		· · • ·	· • • •	I	I	••••	146
March		22	12	0	9	0	0	4	3	2	1	7	τ	• • • •	I	2	3	I		2			•••		• • • •				• • • •	149
April	57 68	41	4	0	19	7	4	7	5	7	3	4	5	2	2	3	1		2	· · ·	3	I	• • • •	•••	2	I	• <b>• •</b> •		• • • •	188
May	66	30	2	18	10	2	3	0	3	3	1		2	3	I	2	I	I	••••		••••				• • • •		•••	••••	••••	162
June		16	0	24	6 8	2	4	0	5	5	1	• • • •	3	2	2	• • • •	I		2		••••	••••	•••			• • • •	• • •	• • • •	• • • •	151
July	39	17	7	13	-	5	5	2	7	I	I	I	I	I	• • • •	•••		2	• • • •	I		I		····	1	1		••••	I	113
August	47	22	0	5	14	4	4	5	I	1	3	· • • •	• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	• • •		2	••••		• • • •	• • • •	·I				•			115
September	39	14	14	6	4	5	4	••••	3		4	I		I	· • • ·	••••			• • • •			• • • •		I		• • • •		••••		96
October	42	27	14	0	9	10	3	5	5	3	6	2	3	I	I	I	I	ļ	•••											139
November	23		3	11	6	3	1	1	3	2		5	••••	• • • •	2	••••	I	I	• • • •	••••		• • • •							••••	77
December	42	19	22	.4	7	4	I	2	4	5	I	• • • •		I	2	I		• • • •	• • •	· • • •	• • • •	2		••••					•••	117
Total	607	278	118	112	103	53	49	48		34	32	22	17	14	I4	10	10	7	6				2	2	2			-,		1,602

### TABLE No. 8.

## Table showing the nativity of patients who died in the hospital 1885.

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MONTHS.	Germany.	United States.	Ireland.	England.	Italy.	Sweden.	Swiss.	Hungary.	Austria.	Denmark.	Norway.	France.	Finland.	Belgium.	Russia.	Total.
anuary Sebruary March May May June July August September Decober December December	I 3 3 6 5 3 3 4 4 2 4 2	2 2 1 2 2 5 4  1 1 2	2 I I 2  I 1  I I I	 2   I	3 I ·····	····· I ···· ··· I	I I 		I	I	I 	I 	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		I I I I I
Total	40	24	13	. 5	4	4	2	2	2 1	I	I	I	I	I	I	10

### DEATHS.

COMMISSIONERS OF

Emigration.

### TABLE No. 9.

MONTHS.	Male Adults.	Female Adults.	Male Child'n	Female Child'n	Total.	Over 12 years of age.	Betwe'n 12 and 1 year.	Under 1 year.	Total.
January February March April May June July August September October November December	5 5 7 3 4	2 5 1 4 2 3 3 1 1 1 2 1	 I 3 3 2 3 4 I  3 3	2 I  2 2  I 	5 12 7 11 11 7 12 11 7 3 9 5	3 10 6 8 7 5 7 5 6 2 6 2	  I 2  I I  I I I I I	2 2 1 2 2 5 5  1 2 2	5 12 7 11 11 11 7 12 11 7 3 9 5
Total	41	26	24	- 9	100	67	7	26	100

Table showing the ages of those who died in hospital 1885.

#### TABLE No. 10.

Table showing the diseases of those who died in the hospital, 1885.

Abcess, psoas; emphysema; chronic bronchitis Asphyxia Atelectasis	I I I	Cerebral hemorrhage Cholera infantum Diarrhœa, infantile Diphtheria	I 2 2 [
Bright's disease; pleurisy;		Diphtheria, fatty heart	I
pericarditis Bronchitis, capillary	1 2	Dysentery, acute Dysentery, acute; parotiditis;	r
Cancer of liver and stomach.	2 T	acute suppurative; conges-	
Cancer of stomach, intestine,	1	tion of medulla	1
pleura ; pericarditis; neph- ritis diffuse	I	Empyema Empyema, double; periton-	3
Cerebral atrophy from athe- roma nephritis, chronic dif-	-	itis Endocarditis, chronic ulcera-	I
fuse	I	tive	I

Enteritis Enteritis; marasmus	I
Enteritis; marasmus	I
Entero-colitis	τ
Fever, continued; fatty heart;	
pregnancy Fever, typhoid Fever, typhoid; acute lobar	I
Fever, typhoid	4
Fever, typhoid; acute lobar	
pneumonia Fever, typhoid; perforation	I
Fever, typhoid; perforation	
and peritonitis	I
and peritonitis Fever, typhoid ; pleuritis left	I
Fever, typhus; pneumonia	I
Gastro-enteritis	I
Hæmoptysis	I
Hæmoptysis Hemorrhage from cord um-	
bilical	I
bilical Hernia, strangulated inguinal;	
herniotomy; gangrene of	
gut; peritonitis	Ι
Inanition	I
gut; peritonitis Inanition Indigestion	I
Intussusception	1.
Larvngitis. diphtheritic	I
Marasmus	I
Marasmus Marasmus ; indigestion Meningitis, acute simple; hy-	I
Meningitis, acute simple; hy-	
postatic pneumonia	I
Meningitis, cerebro-spinal	I
Meningitis, cerebral; hemor-	
rhage into cerebrum; right	
side	I
Meningitis, simple acute; dif-	
fuse nephritis	I.
fuse nephritis Meningitis, tubercular	I
Nephritis, diffuse acute	I
Peritonitis, acute	I
Pertussis; broncho-pneumo-	
	I
nia Phthisis pulmonalis	11
Phthisis pulmonalis; Bright's	
disease	I
Phthisis pulmonalis; erysip-	
elas, facial	I
elas, facial Phthisis pulmonalis, tuber-	
cular; ulcer of intestine	τ
Pleuritis, double hemorrhagic;	
pericarditis; cirrhosis of	
liver; amoloid kidney	I

1)	Pleuritis; and pericarditis	
I	acute	I
τ	acute Pneumonia, broncho Pneumonia, broncho, enter-	I
	Pneumonia, broncho, enter-	
I	itis; marasmus	I
4	Pneumonia, lobar	3
	Pneumonia, lobar; fatty heart;	
I	liver, and kidneys	I
	Pneumonia, lobar; pleurisy,	
I	double Pneumonia, lobar; rheumatic	I
I	Pneumonia, lobar; rheumatic	
Ι	arthritis of knee-joint	I
I	Pneumonia, enteritis	I
I	Pneumonia, lobar; empyema.	I
I	Pneumonia; pleurisy; peri-	
1	carditis Pneumo-hydro-thorax; peri-	I
	typhitis	I
I	typhlitis Puerperium ; mastitis	I
I	Rheumatism, acute articular.	I
ī	Rheumatism, acute articular;	1
1	meningitis; valvular dis-	
I	ease of heart	τ
I	Rheumatism, acute articular;	
I	pericarditis; pneumonia	I
	Rheumatism; pericarditis; ul-	
I	cerative endocarditis	I
I	Scurvy; fatty heart; hemor-	
	rhagic diathesis	I
	Senility; bronchitis	I
I	Senility; bronchitis Senility; debility; bronchitis;	
	emphysema	I
I.	emphysema Syphilis, congenital	2
I	Thrombosis cerebral, and soft-	
I	ening	I
I	Tuberculosis, acute; gastro-	
-	enteritis	I
I	Tuberculosis, acute miliary.	Ĩ
I	Tuberculosis, acute miliary; pneumo-hydro-thorax	
I	Tuberculosis, acute pulmon-	1
T		2
I	ary Tuberculosis general; menin-	2
*	gitis, cerebro-spinal, acute.	I
τ	Tumor of brain	1
-	Uræmia; parenchymatous ne-	-
	phritis; pregnancy	I
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### TABLE No. 11.

### Diseases treated of patients discharged 1885.

Abortion	I	Cephalalgia, syphilitic	I
Abrasion of ankle	I	Chancroid	II
Abscess ischio rectal	5	Chilblains	I
Abscess multiple	I	Choroiditis	2
Abscess of ankle	3	Colic, intestinal	3
Abscess of arm	2	Colitis	I
Abscess of axilla	2	Congenital, absence of por-	
Abscess of breast	6	tion of ribs	I
Abscess of buttock	I	Congestion of kidneys	I
Abscess of face	6	Conjunctivitis, catarrhal	10
Abscess of finger	I	Conjunctivitis, phlyctenular.	I
Abscess of foot	I	Constipation	21
Abscess of hand	10	Cystitis	I
Abscess of leg	2	Debility	23.
Abscess of neck	- 3	Dementia	3
Abscess of thigh	I	Dermatitis of leg	I
Abscess of thumb	I	Diarrhœa	20
Abscess prepatellar	2	Diphtheria	4
Adynamia	2	Dilated stomach	I
Ankylosis of elbow	I	Disease of heart, functional	I
Ankylosis of wrist joint	I	Dislocation, meta carpo phlan-	
Alcoholism	I	gial joint	I
Amenorrhœa	4	Dislocation of elbow	I
Anæmia	14	Dislocation of knee	I
Aneurism, femoral traumatic.	I	Dog bite	I
Apoplexy, cerebral	I	Dysentery, acute	14
Arthritis, chronic rheumatic		Dyspepsia	3.
of tarsus	I	Dyspepsia, intestinal	2
Arthritis of meta_tarso, pha-		Ecchymosis of leg	I
langial joint of great toe	I	Eclampsia	I
Ascarides lumbricoides	2	Eczema	32
Blennorrhœa, conjunctival	I	Embolism, cerebral	1
Blepharitis ciliaris	3	Empyema	I
Bronchitis, acute	34	Enteritis, acute	7
Bronchitis, chronic	II	Enteritis, chronic	I
Bubo	10	Epididymitis	7
Bullae of wrist	I	Epilepsy	13
Burns	6	Epilepsy, hystero	4
Cancer of stomach	I	Epileptic mania	I
Carbuncle	2	Erythema, multiform	1
Caries of tarsus	I	Erythema, modosum	I
Cataract	2	Erysipelas	3
Cellulitis of arm	I	Erysipelas of face	23
Cellulitis of face	I	Erysipelas of hand	2
Cellulitis of hand	6	Erysipelas of leg	2
Cellulitis, pelvic	I	Fabricula	I
Cephalalgia	5	Fever, ephemeral	2

Fever, inter-irreg	9	Impaction of fæces	I
Fever, intermittent	64	Impetigo	6
Fever, remittent	3	Inanition	3
Fever, scarlet	8	Incontinence of urine	Ĩ
Fever, typhoid	16	Intestinal obstruction, fecal	2
Fever, typhus	4	Iritis, specific	I
Fistula in ano	Ġ	Jaundice, infantile	I
Floating cartilage of knee		Keratitis	I
joint	1	Kidney, floating	ī
Fracture, comp., inferior max-	-	Laryngitis, acute	2
illa	I	Lead poisoning	6
Fracture, comp., of femur	2	Lumbago	6
Fracture, external malleolus.	ĩ	I ymphangitig	I
Fracture of clavicle	2	Lymphangitis	
Fracture of formur		Malingerer	I
Fracture of femur	2	Marasmus	2
Fracture of femur extra cap-	_	Mastitis, suppurative	3
sular	I	Measles	82
Fracture of fibula, "Potts"	3	Melancholia	2
Fracture of humerus	Ι	Meningitis, cerebral	2
Fracture of humerus, surgical	Ì	Meningitis, spinal	I
neck	I	Menorrhagia	2
Fracture of leg	I	Metritis	I
Fracture of radius, "Colles".	I	Miscarriage	3
Fracture of radius and ulna	I	Mitral, insufficiency	2
Fracture of tibia	2	Myalgia	2
Fracture of tibia and fibula	2	Necrosis, metatarsal	I
Frost-bite	13	Necrosis of nasal bones	I
Furunculosis	4	Necrosis of tibia	I
Gangrene of finger	I	Necrosis, upper maxilla	2
Grastralgia	I	Nephritis, acute diffuse	2
Gastro-enteritis	3	Nephritis, chronic diffuse	3
Gastritis, acute	7	Nephritis, parenchymatous	2
Gastritis, catarrhal	ī	Neuralgia	14
Glossitis	I	Neuralgia, intercostal	í
Gonorrhœa	13	Neuritis, optic	I
Gout	2	Occlusion of pupil	I
Hæmatemesis	I	Oedema of feet	I
Hæmoptysis	I	Opacities of cornea	I
Hemiplegia	2	Otitis, media, catarrhal	5
Hemorrhoids	3	Otitis, media, purulenta	2
Hepatitis	I	Panophthalmitis	ĩ
Hernia	2	Papilloma of prepuce	I
Hernia, inguinal	ĩ	Paralysis of infantile	I
Hernia, oblique inguinal		Paronychia	
	7	Paronychia	I
Herpes	I	Pediculosis.	I
Hordeolum	I	Pericarditis	2
Hydrocele	I	Peritonitis	2
Hypochondriasis	4	Perityphlitis	2
Hysteria	I	Pharyngitis, acute	9
Indigestion	8	Phimosis	I
Imbecility	2	Phtheiriasis	7

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Phthisis, pulmonalis	37	Sycosis	2
Phthisis, pulmonalis, hæmop-	0.	Synovitis, acute	I
tysis	I	Synovitis of knee joint	4
Pleurisy, acute	7	Syphilis	38
Pleurisy, chronic	I	Thrombosis, femoral	2
Pleurodynia	2	Thrush	5
Pleuro-pneumonia	3	Tonsillitis	11
Pneumonia, broncho	I	Tonsillitis, acute	15
Pneumonia, lobar :	28	Trachoma	4
Pregnancy	43	Tuberculosis	ī
Prolapse of rectum	ĩ	Tumor, abdominal	ī
Psoriasis	I	Tumor of clitoris and mym-	-
Puerperium	96	phæ	I
Recently confined	3	Ulcer of arm	I
Retroversion of uterus	I	Ulcer of back	I
Rheumatism, acute articular.	67	Ulcer of cornea	2
Rheumatism, chronic	33	Ulcer of foot	II
Rheumatism, gonorrhœal	3	Ulcer of hand	3
Rheumatism, muscular	4	Ulcer of leg	43
Rheumatism, sub-acute	24	Ulcer, varicose of leg	2
Rupture of deltoid muscles	I	Ulceration of gums	Ι
Rupture of perineum	I	Urtecaria	2
Salpingitis	I	Vaginitis	2
Scabies	22	Vaginitis, diphtheritic	I
Sciatica	3	Valvular disease, aortic	I
Scrofula	7	Valvular disease, mitral	4
Seasickness	3	Valvular disease, mitral and	•
Senility	2	aortic	2
Sinus of popliteal space	I	Varicella	Ι
Smallpox	I	Varicose veins	8
Spasmodic contraction diaph-		Vegetations, warty of vulva	. 1
ragm	I	Venereal warts	2
Sprain of ankle	14	Vertigo	2
Sprain of shoulder	i	Whooping cough	9
Sprain of wrist	2	Wounds, contused	21
Starvation	I	Wounds, incised	I
Stenosis of aortic valve	I	Wounds, lacerated	25
Strabismus	I	Wounds, punctured	ĩ
Stricture, lachrymal	I	-	
Stricture, urethral	2	<b>I</b> .	467
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OF THE

# State Emigrant Hospital, Asylum and Refuge

AT

### WARD'S ISLAND.

NEW YORK CITY.

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#### COMPILATION.

Number of inmates remaining in the institution December 31st, 1884	434	
Number of admissions in the institution during	434	
the year	2,109	
Number of births during the year	90	
Total number cared for Number discharged during the year Number died during the year	2,280 102	2,633
Total		2,382
Number remaining on December 31st, 1885		251
Of these are in hospital	170	- 5 -
Of these are in asylum	20	
Of these are in refuge	61	
Total	······	251
Number treated in hospital	1,872	251
Number treated in asylum	229	
Number sheltered in refuge	875	
Total		2,976
1 0tal		2,970
Number of days spent in hospital	64,675	
Number of days spent in asylum	14,581	
Number of days spent in refuge	26,733	
Total number of days spent		TOT 080
		105,989
In the cemeteries of the island were buried during		
the year from the institution (including 4 still- births and 17 persons from S.S. "Weser" and		
"Polynesia")	123	
Sent from Castle Garden	. 59	
Total	182	

In these cemeteries, begun in 1874, there is now buried a total of 3.374 persons.

APPENDIX.—In addition to the above, there were sheltered in refuge and treated in hospital, from June 9th, 1885, until June 19th, 1885, 892 persons per S.S. "Weser," from Bremen; and from June 10th, 1885, until June 26th, 1885, 740 persons per S.S. "Polynesia," from Hamburg. Number treated in hospital, 150; number deceased, 17. Measles, 6; tuberculosis, 1; diphtheria, 4; capillary bronchitis, 2; measles and stomatitis, 1; broncho-pneumonia, 3. Total, 17.

							ion.	
Males.	Females.	Adults.	Children be- tween 1 and 12 years.	Infants under 1 year.	Hospital.	Asylum.	Refuge.	
161 126 140 89 103 113 114	45 35 75 86 98 53 44 39 52 63	196 192 158 174 141 136 151 140 97 108 94 134	6 4 34 44 40 50 19 17 6 25 17	2  9 8 10 10 8 4 8 5 9	148 135 152 140 128 117 101 110 83 100 75 112	9 2 7 9 9 13 11 5 8 4 4 7	47 59 42 77 57 56 99 52 27 18 45 41	
1,331	778	1,721	305	83	1,401	88	620	
	I 159 I61 I26 I40 89 I03 I13 I14 74 83 72 97 I,331	159         45           161         35           126         75           140         86           89         105           103         83           113         98           114         53           74         44           83         39           72         52           97         63	159         45         196           161         35         192           126         75         158           140         86         174           89         105         141           103         83         136           113         98         151           144         53         140           74         44         97           83         39         108           72         52         94           97         63         134           1,331         778         1,721	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $	$\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $	

TABLE showing the admissions for 1885.

TABLE showing nativity of persons admitted 1885.

Arabia	13	New Zealand	I
At Sea	Ğ	Norway	24
Austria	101	Persia	I
Belgium	5	Poland	36
Bohemia	ıð	Roumania	4
Cuba	I	Russia	186
Denmark.	22	Scotland	28
East Indies	I	Slavonia	10
England	160	Spain	2
Finland	4	Sweden	52
France	21	Switzerland	28
Germany	79°	Syria	5
Holland	6	Turkey	4
Hungary	118	United States	39
Ireland	350	Wales	1
Italy	72	West Indies	I
Netherland	Ī	-	
		· · • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2,109

Amsterdam	26	Havana	2
Antwerp	166	Havre	70
Aspinwall	I	Liverpool	523
Bermuda	I	London	25
Bombay	I	Marseilles	7
Bordeaux	55	Naples	24
Bremen		Palermo	15
Bristol	3	Panama	2
Copenhagen	18	Rotterdam	37
Cuba	I	Stettin	13
Gibraltar	5	Swansea	I
Glasgow	188	United States	37
Hamburg		Unknown	8
·			,109

TABLE showing ports of departure of persons admitted 1885.

TABLE showing the arrival by year of persons admitted during 1885.

MONTH.	1884 <b>.</b>	1885.	Total.
January	179	25	204
February	III	85	196
March	85	116	201
April	89	137	226
May	33	161	194
June	29	157	186
July	29	182	2 I I
August	28	139	167
September	12	106	118
October	9	113	I 2 <b>2</b>
November	3	121	124
December	• •	160	160
- Total	607	1,502	2,109

### Commissioners of Emigration.

MONTHS.	Hospital.	Asylum.	Refuge.	Total.
January February March April May June July August. September October November December	6,953 6,005 7,146 6,373 6,033 4,849 4,388 4,856 4,740 4,170 4,312 4,850	3,096 1,124 1,203 1,227 1,205 1,395 1,408 1,001 798 801 652 671	3,217 3,443 3,473 2,617 1,960 1,548 1,796 1,514 1,503 1,608 2,076 1,978	13,266 10,572 11,822 10,217 9,198 7,792 7,592 7,371 7,041 6,579 7,040 7,499
Total	64,675	14,581	26,733	105,989

TABLE showing the number of days spent in the different departments during the year 1885.

TABLE showing number of inmates discharged each month 1885.

MONTH.	Males.	Females.	Total
January	177	88	265
February	148	30	178
March	168	60	228
April	180	91	271
May	125	103	228
June	109	99	208
June	125	115	240
July	82	61	143
August	84	45	129
September	88	49	137
October	62	37	99
November	100	54	154
	1,448	832	2,280

TABLE showing the daily average number of inmates for each week during the year 1885.

Week ending.	No. of persons.	Week ending.	No. of persons.
January	3	July	11247
·· ·· ·	10459		18239
"	17	"	25269
66	24403	August	I232
"	31	~"	8234
February	7	"	15
"	14	"	22233
"	21	"	29260
"	28	September	5
March	7		12
"	14	"	19243
"	21	"	26239
"	28	October	3
April	4	"	10
	11	"	17
"	18	"	24204
"	25	"	31
May	2	November	7238
"	9	"	14244
"	16	"	21238
"	23286	* 6	28245
"	30	December	5254
June	6	"	12
"	13263	"	19236
"	20	"	26233
"	27	""	31251
July	4249		

Daily average number of inmates, 294.

# INSANE ASYLUM,

WARD'S ISLAND, NEW YORK.

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1885.

Hon. HENRY A. HURLBUT,

President, and Board of Commissioners of Emigration:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to transmit the following statistical report of the State Emigrant Insane Asylum, for the year ending December 31st, 1885.

Very respectfully,

W. B. MARPLE, Physician-in-Charge.

#### TABLE NO. I.

General Movement of the Population.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number remaining December 31st, 1884 Admitted during the year	70 58	55 46	125 104
Total treated	128	101	229
Number discharged, recovered	19	6	25
" improved	13	6	19
" unimproved	22	8	30
" not insane	3	10	13
Total	57	30	87

Transferred to City Institutions-

	Males.	Females.	Total.			
Improved	. 15	II	26			
Unimproved	. 48	46	94	6.		
				63	57	120
Total discharged and transf	erred.			120	87	207
Died		• • • • • • • •	• • • •	••	2	2
Grand total	•••••	· · · · · · · ·	 • • • • •	120	89	209
Number remaining December 31	st, 188	5 · • • • • •	• • • •	8	I 2	20

TABLE NO. 2.

Admissions, Discharges and Deaths for each month during the year.

	Adm	issions.		harges.		eaths.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
January	6	6	49	42	••	I
February	I	I	7	2	••	τ
March	. 5	3	3	4	••	••
April	. 8	3	8	_ <b>I</b>	••	• •
May		6	5	3	••	• •
June	. IT	4	4	2	••	••
July	• 4	8	13	12	••	••
August		3	I 2	5	••	
September	6	4	3	6	••	••
October		2	6	5	••	
November		3	4	I	• •	·
December	• 4	3	6	4	• •	••
- Total	58	46	120	87	•••	2

### TABLE NO. 3.

Ages of those admitted during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years of age	. т		I
From 15 to 20 years		10	16
" 20 to 25 "		23	34
" 25 to 30 "	. 11	3	14
" 3° to 35 "	. 13	4	17
" 35 to 40 "	• 5	I	6
" 40 to 45 "	-	4	10
" 45 to 50 "	0	1	4
" 50 to 60 "	. 2	••	2
Total	58	46	104

### TABLE NO. 4.

Nativity of those admitted during the year.

Germany       20       20       40         Ireland       9       I3       22         England       7       I       8         Russia       5       I       6
Ireland         9         I3         22           England         7         I         8
England
Sweden
Hungary 3 I 4
Bohemia 3 I 4
Scotland 2 I 3
Switzerland 2 I 3
Poland I 2 3
France I I
Austria I I
Norway I I
Wales <b>I I</b>
Jamaica I I
Italy I I
58 46 104

TABLE NO. 5.

Term of Residence in U.S. of those admitted during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
From shipboard	17	7	24
" 9 days to 2 weeks	2	2	4
" 2 weeks to I month	2	2	4
" I month to 3 months	8	9	17
" 3 months to 6 months	13	8	<b>2</b> I
" 6 months to 1 year	15	18	33
" I year to 2 years,	1	••	I
Total	58	46	104

### TABLE NO. 6.

### Occupation of those admitted during the year.

MALES. Apothecary Baker Blacksmiths Brassfinisher Bricklayers Butchers Carpenter Clerks Cook Cooper Gardener Glaziers Grocer Harnessmaker Laborers Photographer	No. 1 3 1 4 2 1 5 1 1 2 1 1 1 8 1	Peddlers Saloonkeeper Shoemakers Stonecutter Teachers Watchmakers Wooldyer Total FEMALES. Governess Housekeepers Seamstresses Servants	4 1 2 1 3 2 1 5 8 No. 1 7 2 36
Photographer	I	Total	46

### TABLE NO. 7.

### Form of Mental Disorder in those admitted during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total
Mania, acute	24	10	34
" sub-acute	7	4	II
" periodic	I	••	I
" chronic	Ι	I	2
" a potu	Ι	• •	I
Melancholia	15	16	31
Dementia	3	4	7
Imbecility	I	••	ī
General Paresis	2	••	2
Not insane	3	1'1	14
Total	58	46	104

### Commissioners of Emigration.

### TABLE NO. 8.

Cause of Insanity in those admitted during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Adversity	. 8		8,
Domestic trouble	. г	I	2
Epilepsy	. 7		7
Hereditary predisposition	. 4	2	6
Ill health	• 3	4	7
Intemperance	• 3	••	3
Masturbation	. г		I.
Nostalgia	. т	2	3
Overwork and anxiety		Ι	I
Parturition	• ••	4	4
Religious excitement	. 2	I	3
No history of causation	. 28	31	59
Total	. 58	46	104

### TABLE No. 9.

Civil Condition of those admitted during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Single	18	37 6	74 24
Widowed Divorced	. 2 I	3	5 1
- Total	58	46	104

#### TABLE NO. 10.

Form of Religion of those admitted during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Catholic	. 21	20	41
Protestant	. 28	22	50
Hebrew	• 9	4	13
Total	. 58	46	104

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#### TABLE NO. 11.

Form of Insanity of those discharged during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total
Mania, acute	. 25	11	36
" sub-acute	. 10	5	15
" chronic	. 15	5	20
" puerperal		2	2
" a potu		••	2
Melancholia	. 25	33	58
Dementia		14	47
" partial	. 2	3	5
General paresis		1	4
Imbecility	. I	3	4
Hypochondriasis	. I	••	I
Total	.117	77	194

#### TABLE NO. 12.

Duration of Treatment of those discharged during the year.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 1 month	• 33	22	55
From 1 to 2 months	• 4	3	7
" 2 to 3 "	. 5	I	6
" $3 \text{ to } \vec{6}$ "	. 8	6	14
" 6 to 9 "	. 6	8	14
" 9 to 12 "	. 14	II	25
" 12 to 18 "		II	23
" 18 months to 2 years	. 13	9	22
" 2 years to 3 "	. 10	II	· 21
" 3 " to 4 "	. 13	3	16
" 4 " to 5 "	. 2	2	4
			<u> </u>
Total	120	8 <b>7</b>	207

### TABLE NO. 13.

### Number returned to their native country.

Term of Residence in U. S.	No.
Under I month	13
Over 1 month and under 3 months	5
" 3 months " 6 "	4
" 6 " " I year	11
" I year	2
Total	35

### TABLE NO. 14.

### Nativity and Sex of those returned.

IV.	Iales.	Females.	Total.
Germany	14	3	17
England	6	••	6
Ireland		3	5
Switzerland	2	••	2
Scotland	2	••	2
Hungary	2		2
Russia	I		1
Bohemia	1	••	I
Total	30	6	36

### TABLE NO. 15.

### Deaths.

Number.	Sex.	Age.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	Form of Mental Disorder.	Nativity.	in m.
1	F.	50	Exhaustion	Dementia	Germany	16
2	F.	18	Phthisis Pulmon	Melancholia		1

Females, 2.

# IMMIGRATION LAWS.

AN ACT to regulate the carriage of passengers by sea.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall not be lawful for the master of a steamship or other vessel whereon emigrant passengers, or passengers other than cabin passengers, have been taken at any port or place in a foreign country or dominion (ports and places in foreign territory contiguous to the United States excepted) to bring such vessel and passengers to any port or place in the United States unless the compartments, spaces, and accommodations hereinafter mentioned have been provided, allotted, maintained, and used for and by such passengers during the entire voyage; that is to say, in a steamship, the compartments or spaces, unobstructed by cargo, stores or goods, shall be of sufficient dimensions to allow for each and every passenger carried or brought therein one hundred cubic feet, if the compartment or space is located on the main deck or on the first deck next below the main deck of the vessel, and one hundred and twenty cubic feet for each passenger carried or brought therein if the compartment or space is located on the second deck below the main deck of the vessel; and it shall not be lawful to carry or bring passengers on any deck other than the decks above mentioned. And in sailing vessels such passengers shall be carried or brought only on the deck (not being an orlop deck) that is next below the main deck of the vessel, or in a poop or deck-house constructed on the main deck; and the compartment or space, unobstructed by cargo, store, or goods, shall be of sufficient dimension to allow of one hundred and ten cubic feet for each and every passenger brought therein. And such passengers shall not be carried or brought in any between-decks, nor in any compartment, space, poop, or deckhouse, the height of which from deck to deck is less than six feet. In computing the number of such passengers carried or brought in any vessel, children under one year of age shall not be included, and two children between one and eight years of age shall be counted as one passenger; and any person brought in such vessel who shall have been, during the voyage, taken from any other vessel wrecked or in distress on the high seas, or have been picked up at sea from any boat, raft, or otherwise shall not be included in such computation. The master of a vessel coming to a port or place in the United States in violation of either of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor; and if the number of passengers other than cabin passengers carried or brought in the vessel, or in any compartment, space, poop, or deck-house thereof, is greater than the number allowed to be carried or brought therein, respectively, as hereinbefore prescribed, the said master shall be fined fifty dollars for each and every passenger in excess of the proper number, and may also be imprisoned not exceeding six months.

SEC. 2. That in every such steamship or other vessel there shall be a sufficient number of berths for the proper accommodation, as hereinafter provided, of all such passengers. There shall not be on any deck, nor in any compartment or space occupied by such passengers, more than two tiers of berths. The berths shall be properly constructed, and be separated from each other by partitions, as berths ordinarily are separated, and each berth shall be at least two feet in width and six feet in length; and the interval between the floor or lowest part of the lower tier of berths and the deck beneath them shall not be less than six inches, nor the interval between each tier of berths and the interval between the uppermost tier and the deck above it less than two feet six inches; and each berth shall be occupied by not more than one passenger over eight years of age; but double berths of twice the above-mentioned width may be provided, each double berth to be occupied by no more and by none other than two women, or by one woman and two children under the age of eight years, or by husband and wife, or by a man and two of his own children under the age of eight years, or by two men personally acquainted with each other. All the male passengers upwards of fourteen years of age who do not occupy berths with their wives shall be berthed in the fore part of the vessel, in a compartment divided off from the space or spaces appropriated to the other passengers by a substantial and well-secured bulkhead; and unmarried female passengers shall be berthed in a compartment separated from the spaces occupied by other passengers by a substantial and well-constructed bulkhead, the opening or communication from which to an adjoining passenger space shall be so constructed that it can be closed and secured. Families, however, shall not be separated, except with their consent. Each berth shall be numbered serially, on the outside berth-board, according to the number of passengers that may lawfully occupy the berth; and the berths occupied by such passengers shall not be removed or taken down until the expiration of twelve hours from the time of entry, unless previously inspected within a shorter period. For any violation of either of the provisions of this section the master of the vessel shall be liable to a fine of five dollars for each passenger carried or brought on the vessel.

SEC. 3. That every such steamship or other vessel shall have adequate provision for affording light and air to the passenger-decks and to the compartments and spaces occupied by such passengers, and with adequate means and appliances for ventilating the said compartments and spaces. To compartments having sufficient space for fifty or more of such passengers at least two ventilators, each not less than twelve inches in diameter, shall be provided, one of which ventilators shall be inserted in the forward part of the compartment, and the

other in the after part thereof, and shall be so constructed as to ventilate the compartment; and additional ventilators shall be provided for each compartment in the proportion of two ventilators for each additional fifty of such passengers carried or brought in the compartment. All ventilators shall be carried at least six feet above the uppermost deck of the vessel, and shall be of the most approved form and construction. In any steamship the ventilating apparatus provided, or any method of ventilation adopted thereon, which has been approved by the proper emigration officers at the port or place from which said vessel was cleared, shall be deemed a compliance with the foregoing provisions; and in all vessels carrying or bringing such passengers there shall be properly-constructed hatchways over the compartments or spaces occupied by such passengers, which hatchways shall be properly covered with houses or booby hatches, and the combings or sills of which shall rise at least six inches above the deck; and there shall be proper companion-ways or ladders from each hatchway leading to the compartments or spaces occupied by such passengers; and the said companion ways or ladders shall be securely constructed, and be provided with hand-rails or strong rope, and when the weather will permit, such passengers shall have the use of each hatchway situated over the compartments or spaces appropriated to their use; and every vessel carrying or bringing such passengers shall have a properly located and constructed caboose and cooking-range, or other cooking apparatus, the dimensions and capacity of which shall be sufficient to provide for properly cooking and preparing the food of all such passengers. In every vessel carrying or bringing such passengers there shall be at least two water-closets or privies, and an additional water-closet or privy for every one hundred male passengers on board, for the exclusive use of such male passengers, and an additional water-closet or privy for every fifty female passengers on board, for the exclusive use of the female passengers and young children on board. The aforesaid water-closets and privies shall be properly enclosed and located on each side of the vessel, and shall be separated from passengers' spaces by substantial and properly constructed partitions or bulkheads; and the water-closets and privies shall be kept and maintained in a serviceable and cleanly condition throughout the voyage. For any violation of either of the provisions of this section, or for any neglect to conform to the requirements thereof, the master of the vessel shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 4. An allowance of good, wholesome and proper food, with a reasonable quantity of fresh provisions, which food shall be equal in value to one and a half navy rations of the United States, and of fresh water not less than four quarts per day shall be furnished each of such passengers. Three meals shall be served daily, at regular and stated hours, of which hours sufficient notice shall be given. If any such passenger shall at any time during the voyage be put on short allowance for food and water, the master of the vessel shall pay to each passenger three dollars for each and every day the passenger may have been put on short allowance, except in case of accident, where the captain is obliged to put the passengers on short allowance. Mothers with infants and young children shall be furnished the necessary quantity of wholesome milk or condensed milk for the sustenance of the latter. Tables and seats shall be provided for the use of passengers at regular meals. And for every willful violation of any of the provisions of this section the master of the vessel shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, and be imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months. The enforcement of this penalty, however, shall not affect the civil responsibility of the master and owners of the vessel to such passengers as may have suffered from any negligence, breach of contract or default on the part of such master and owners.

SEC. 5. That in every such steamship or other vessel there shall be promptly built and secured, or divided off from other spaces, two compartments or space to be used exclusively as hospitals for such passengers, one for men and the other for women. The hospital shall be located in a space not below the deck next below the main deck of the vessel. The hospital spaces shall in no case be less than in the proportion of eighteen clear superficial feet for every fifty such passengers who are carried or brought on the vessel, and such hospital shall be supplied with proper beds, bedding and utensils, and be kept so supplied throughout the vogage. And every steamship or other vessel carrying or bringing emigrant passengers, or passengers other than cabin passengers, exceeding fifty in number, shall carry a duly qualified and competent surgeon or medical practitioner, who shall be rated as such in the ship's articles, and who shall be provided with surgical instruments, medical comforts and medicines proper and necessary for diseases and accidents incident to sea voyages, and for the proper medical treatment of such passengers during the voyage, and with such articles of food and nourishment as may be proper and necessary for preserving the health of infants and young children; and the services of such surgeon or medical practitioner shall be promptly given, in any case of sickness or disease, to any of the passengers, or to any infant or young child of any such passengers, who may need his services. For a violation of either of the provisions of this section the master of the vessel shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 6. That the master of every such steamship or other vessel is authorized to maintain good discipline and such habits of cleanliness among such passengers as will tend to the preservation and promotion of health, and to that end he shall cause such regulations as he may adopt for such purpose to be posted up on board the vessel, in a place or places accessible to such passengers, and shall keep the same so posted up during the voyage. The said master shall cause the compartments and spaces provided for, or occupied by, such passengers to be kept at all times in a clean and healthy condition, and to be, as often as may be necessary, disinfected with chloride of lime, or by some other equally efficient disinfectant. Whenever the state of the weather will permit, such passengers and their bedding shall be mustered on deck, and a clear and sufficient space on the main or any upper deck of the vessel shall be set apart, and so kept, for the use and exercise of such passengers during the voyage. For each neglect or violation of any of the provisions of this section the master of the vessel shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

SEC. 7. That neither the officers, seamen nor other persons employed on any such steamship or other vessel shall visit or frequent any part of the vessel provided or assigned to the use of such passengers, except by the direction or permission of the master of such vessel first made or given for such purpose; and every officer, seaman, or other person employed on board of such vessel who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and may be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars and be imprisoned not exceeding twenty days for each violation; and the master of such vessel who directs or permits any officer, seaman, or other person employed on board the vessel to visit or frequent any part of the vessel provided for or assigned to the use of such passengers, or the compartments or spaces occupied by such passengers, except for the purpose of doing or performing some necessary act or duty as an officer, seaman, or other person employed on board of the vessel, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be fined not more than one hundred dollars for each time he directs or permits the provisions of this section to be vio-A copy of this section, written or printed in the language or lated. principal languages of the passengers on board, shall, by or under the direction of the master of the vessel, be posted in a conspicuous place on the forecastle and in the several parts of the vessel provided and assigned for the use of such passengers, and in each compartment or space occupied by such passengers, and the same shall be kept so posted during the voyage; and if the said master neglects so to do, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars.

SEC. 8. That it shall not be lawful to take, carry, or have on board of any such steamship or other vessel any nitro-glycerine, dynamite, or any other explosive article or compound, nor any vitriol or like acids, nor gunpowder, except for the ship's use; nor any article or number of articles, whether as cargo or ballast, which, by reason of the nature, or quantity, or mode of storage thereof, shall, either singly or collectively, be likely to endanger the health or lives of the passengers, or the safety of the vessel; and horses, cattle, or other animals taken on board of or brought in any such vessel shall not be carried on any deck below the deck on which passengers are berthed, nor in any compartment in which passengers are berthed, nor in any adjoining compartment, except in a vessel built of iron, and of which the compartments are divided off by water-tight bulkheads extending to the upper deck. For every violation of any of the provisions of this section the master of the vessel shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not exceeding one thousand dollars, and be imprisoned for a period not exceeding one year.

SEC. 9. That it shall not be lawful for the master of any such steamship or other vessel, not in distress, after the arrival of the vessel within any collection district of the United States, to allow any person or persons, except a pilot, officer of the customs, or health officer, agents of the vessel, and consuls, to come on board of the vessel, or to leave the vessel, until the vessel has been taken in charge by an officer of the

customs, nor, after charge so taken, without leave of such officer, until all the passengers, with their baggage, have been duly landed from the vessel; and on the arrival of any such steamship or other vessel within any collection district of the United States, the master thereof shall deliver to the officer of customs who first comes on board the vessel and makes demand therefor a correct list, signed by the master, of all the passengers taken on board the vessel at any foreign port or place, specifying separately the names of the cabin passengers, their age, sex, calling, and the country of which they are citizens, and the number of pieces of baggage belonging to each passenger, and also the name, age, sex, calling, and native country of each emigrant passenger or passengers other than cabin passengers, and their intended destination or location, and the number of pieces of baggage belonging to each passenger, and also the location of the compartment or space occupied by each of such passengers during the voyage; and if any of such passengers died on the voyage the said list shall specify the name, age, and cause of death of each deceased passenger; and a duplicate of the aforesaid list of passengers, verified by the oath of the master, shall, with the manifest of the cargo, be delivered by the master to the collector of customs on the entry of the vessel. For a violation of either of the provisions of this section, or for permitting or neglecting to prevent a violation thereof, the master of the vessel shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

SEC. 10. That in case there shall have occurred on board any such steamship or other vessel any death among such passengers during the voyage, the master or consignees of the vessel shall, within forty-eight hours after the arrival of the vessel within a collection district of the United States, or within twenty-four hours after the entry of the vessel, pay to the collector of customs of such district the sum of ten dollars for each and every such passenger above the age of eight years who shall have died on the voyage by natural disease; and the master or consignees of any vessel who neglect or refuse to pay such collector, within the times hereinbefore prescribed, the sums of money aforesaid, shall be liable to a penalty of fifty dollars, in addition to the sum required to be paid, as aforesaid, for each passenger whose death occurred on the voyage. All sums of money paid to any collector under the provisions of this section shall be by him paid into the Treasury of the United States, in such manner and under such regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

SEC. II. That the collector of customs of the collection district within which, or the surveyor of the port at which, any such steamship or other vessel arrives, shall direct an inspector or other officer of the customs to make an examination of the vessel, and to admeasure the compartments or spaces occupied by the emigrant passengers, or passengers other than cabin passengers, during the voyage; and such measurement shall be made in the manner provided by law for admeasuring vessels for tonnage; and to compare the number of such passengers found on board with the list of such passengers furnished by the master to the customs officer; and the said inspector or other officer shall make a report to the aforesaid collector or surveyor, stating the port of departure, the time of sailing, the length of the voyage, the ventilation, the number of such passengers on board the vessel, and their native country, respectively; the cubic quantity of each compartment or space, and the number of berths and passengers in each space; the kind and quality of the food furnished to such passengers on the voyage; the number of deaths, and the age and sex of those who died during the voyage, and of what disease; and in case there was any unusual sickness or mortality during the voyage, to report whether the same was caused by any neglect or violation of the provisions of this act, or by the want of proper care against disease by the master or owners of the vessel; and the said reports shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury at such times and in such manner as he shall direct.

SEC. 12. That the provisions of this act shall apply to every steamship or other vessel whereon emigrant passengers, or passengers other than cabin passengers, are taken on board at a port or place in the United States for conveyance to any port or place in a foreign country except foreign territory contiguous to the United States, and shall also apply to any vessel whereon such passengers are taken on board at any port or place of the United States on the Atlantic Ocean or its tributaries for conveyance to a port or place on the Pacific Ocean or its tributaries, or vice versa; and whether the voyage of said vessel is to be continuous from port to port or such passengers are to be conveyed from port to port in part by the way of any overland route through Mexico or Central America; and the said collector of customs may direct an examination of the vessel to be made by an inspector or other officer of the customs, who shall make the examination and report whether the provisions of this act have been complied with in respect to such vessel, and the said collector is authorized to withhold the clearance of such vessel until the coming in of such report; and if the said report shall show that any of the provisions of this act have not been complied with, the collector is authorized and directed to withhold the clearance of such vessel until the said provisions are complied. with; and if any such vessel leaves the aforesaid port or place without having been duly cleared by the collector of customs, the master shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be fined not exceeding one thousand dollars, and be imprisoned not exceeding one year, and the vessel shall be liable to seizure and forfeiture.

SEC. 13. That the amount of the several fines and penalties imposed by any section of this act upon the master of any steamship or other vessel carrying or bringing emigrant passengers, or passengers other than cabin passengers, for any violation of the provisions of this act, shall be liens upon such vessel, and such vessel may be libeled therefor in any circuit or district court of the United States where such vessel shall arrive or depart.

SEC. 14. That this act shall come into operation and take effect ninety days after the passage of this act; and sections forty-two hundred and fifty-two to forty-two hundred and seventy-seven, inclusive, of the Revised Statutes of the United States are, from and after said date, repealed; and this act may be cited for all purposes as "The passenger act, eighteen hundred and eighty-two."

Passed the House of Representatives July 22d, 1882.

AN ACT to prohibit the importation and migration of foreigners and aliens under contract or agreement to perform labor in the United States, its Territories, and the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any person, company, partnership, or corporation, in any manner whatsoever, to prepay the transportation, or in any way assist or encourage the importation or migration of any alien or aliens, any foreigner or foreigners, into the United States, its. Territories, or the District of Columbia, under contract or agreement, parol or special, express or implied, made previous to the importation or migration of such alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners, to perform labor or service of any kind in the United States, its Territories, or the District of Columbia.

SEC. 2. That all contracts or agreements, express or implied, parol or special, which may hereafter be made by and between any person, company, partnership or corporation, and any foreigner or foreigners, alien or aliens, to perform labor or service or having reference to the performance of labor or service by any person in the United States, its Territories, or the District of Columbia previous to the migration or importation of the person or persons whose labor or service is contracted for into the United States, shall be utterly void and of no effect.

SEC. 3. That for every violation of any of the provisions of section one of this act the person, partnership, company, or corporation violating the same, by knowingly assisting, encouraging or soliciting the migration or importation of any alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners, into the United States, its Territories, or the District of Columbia, to perform labor or service of any kind under contract or agreement, express or implied, parol or special, with such alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners, previous to becoming residents or citizens of the United States, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of one thousand dollars, which may be sued for and recovered by the United States or by any person who shall first bring his action therefor including any such alien or foreigner who may be a party to any such contract or agreement, as debts of like amount are now recovered in the circuit courts of the United States; the proceeds to be paid into the Treasury of the United States; and separate suits may be brought for each alien. or foreigner being a party to such contract or agreement aforesaid. And it shall be the duty of the district attorney of the proper district to prosecute every such suit at the expense of the United States.

SEC. 4. That the master of any vessel who shall knowingly bring within the United States on any such vessel, and land, or permit to be landed, from any foreign port or place, any alien laborer, mechanic, or artisan who, previous to embarkation on such vessel, had entered into contract or agreement, parol or special, express or implied, to perform labor or service in the United States, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars for each and every such alien laborer, mechanic or artisan so brought as aforesaid, and may also be imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months.

SEC. 5. That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent any citizen or subject of any foreign country temporarily residing in the United States, either in private or official capacity, from engaging, under contract or otherwise, persons not residents or citizens of the\* United States to act as private secretaries, servants, or domestics for such foreigner temporarily residing in the United States as aforesaid: nor shall this act be so construed as to prevent any person, or persons, partnership, or corporation from engaging, under contract or agreement, skilled workmen in foreign countries to perform labor in the United States in or upon any new industry not at present established in the United States: Provided, That skilled labor for that purpose cannot be otherwise obtained; nor shall the provisions of this act apply to professional actors, artists, lecturers or singers, nor to persons employed strictly as personal or domestic servants: Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed as prohibiting any individual from assisting any member of his family or any relative or personal friend, to migrate from any foreign country to the United States, for the purpose of settlement here.

SEC. 6. That all laws or parts of laws conflicting herewith be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Approved, February 26, 1885.

#### CIRCULAR.

IMMIGRANT TAX LEVIED ON EACH RETURN OF ALIENS.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Office of the Secretary, WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10, 1885.

#### To Collectors of Customs and others :

You are hereby instructed that, in accordance with an opinion of the Attorney-General, hereto annexed, payment of the duty prescribed by the Act of August 3, 1882, as limited by Section 22 of the Shipping Act of June 26, 1884, on account of alien passengers arriving in the United States, is to be exacted on each successive return of each and every one of such passengers to the United States.

> DANIEL MANNING, Secretary.

#### [Opinion of Attorney-General above referred to.]

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WASHINGTON, 9th June, 1885.

SIR : Your communication of the 6th June instant, referring to my opinion of the 21st May ultimo, holding that the duty of fifty cents a passenger, imposed by the Act of 3d August, 1882, is collectible on account of all itinerant persons, not citizens of the United States, coming to our ports in steam or sail vessels from foreign ports, asks whether such duty "should be collected on each successive return of any such person to the United States."

In my opinion, the duty is demandable as often as any such person enters one of our ports. The statute makes no express provision for exemption from the duty, and I see no ground for implying one.

It is hardly to be supposed that Congress could have intended such an exemption, and yet have failed to provide for it. When Congress, by the Act of 26th June, 1884 (Sess. Acts 1883–4, p. 57), was imposing a tonnage tax on foreign vessels entering our ports, it remembered that the tax would fall heavily on such of them as were constantly plying between the United States and the ports of other nations, and therefore especially provided that vessels hailing from some ports should

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not be required to pay over fifteen cents a ton in any one year, and that vessels from other ports should not pay more than thirty cents a ton per annum. The total omission of Congress to make any such provision in the head-money law to meet the case of a passenger, not a citizen of the United States, repeatedly entering our ports from foreign ports, is, I think, conclusive that no such indulgence was in the mind of the Legislature.

I have the honor to be, &c.,

A. H. GARLAND, Attorney-General.

The Secretary of the Treasury.

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