

ENTICEMENTS TO MIGRATE.

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CHELSEA PENSIONERS-1831/32 TO AUSTRALIA & USA.

A correspondant states that a number of Chelsea Out-Pensioners, are about to emigrate to Van Diemens Land and the United States. Those who wish to emigrate [he states] are furnished with instructions ,and different papers from the Commissioner's Office, and on quitting this country two years pensions is paid them, after deducting the freight. On arriving at their destination another two years [full] pension is paid them, after which all future claims on the British Government for past services terminate. A number of these pensioners sailed last week in the Dew Drop from the London Docks. Two ships are now lying in ST Katherine's Docks, bound for Van Diemens Land, and two for the United States, where a great number of pensioners are engaging births. It is understood that a certain portion of land will allotted to each man in Van Diemens Land . Globe source: LA October 19. 1831.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Persons wishing to bring their relatives and friends from the United Kingdom to Victoria, can secure passages for them in vessels chartered by Her Majesty's Government on the following conditions;-

1. The persons to be brought into the colony must be in good health, free from all bodily or mental defects; of good moral character, sober, industrious, and in the habit of working for wages at the occupation specified in the application forms. Children under the age of fifteen years must be accompanied by some competent person who will take charge of them during the voyage.
2. The names, ages, relationships, married or single state, occupation, and addresses of the persons for whom passages are requested, must be furnished by the applicant according to the accompanying form:
 - Address at full length of the place or town and street where living in the UK.
 - Trade or Calling
 - Relationship
 - Whether Married, or Single
 - Age
 - Christian name and Surname at full length.
3. The applicant will then be informed of the amount to be paid to secure the passage, and upon payment of this sum he will receive a certificate which he will forward to his friends by post.
4. The amount to be paid will depend on the number of the persons to be introduced, their age, sex, occupation and other circumstances. It will generally be within the following limits:-

Under 1: Male £1-£2, Female £1-£2

1-2: Male £3-£4, Female £2-£3

12-40: Male £4-£6, Female £3-£4

40-50: Male £8-£12, Female £4-£6

50+: Male £12-£18, Female £10-£18

5. Should the persons sent for be unwilling or unable to emigrate, the amount deposited towards their passage will be repaid to the applicant in this colony on the receipt of the usual voucher to that effect from the Commissioners. But should any false statement be made as to the age, occupation, character or condition of the persons to be brought to the colony, passage will not be granted and the money deposited for that purpose will be liable to forfeiture.

6. Application forms and every information will be given, and deposits received, at the undermentioned places:-

Melbourne - by the Immigration Officer Geelong - by the Assistant Immigration Officer Portland - by the Assistant Immigration Officer Port Fairy - by the Assistant Immigration Officer Warrnambool - by the Assistant Immigration Officer Port Albert - by the Sub Treasurers Castlemaine - by the Sub Treasurers Sandhurst - by the Sub Treasurers Ballarat - by the Sub Treasurers Avoca - by the Sub Treasurers Beechworth - by the Sub Treasurers and at other places by persons to be specially appointed for that purpose.

7. Persons residing at a distance from the above places can obtain application forms at the nearest Post Office, and send them [fully filled up and signed], to the Immigration Agent in Melbourne and will receive immediate information. The amount required can be sent to the Immigration Agent in Melbourne by cheque, or by order on a Bank or mercantile house, or by bank notes in a registered letter. Upon receipt of the remittance, the usual certificate for the passage of his friends will be forwarded to the depositor, and he will transmit it by post to their address of the UK

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