

## NEWSPAPER REPORTS

### Appendix A4 (Weblink SP Appendix A4)

Newspaper extracts from the Nelson Newspaper "The Examiner".

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"Examiner" Nelson Microfilm Reel 14769 369/628 12 March 1842 to 28 December 1844

[2<sup>nd</sup> September 1843 page 310]

The sailing of the Sir John Franklin from this port with 22 mechanics and their families, making altogether a total of 67 souls, is a circumstance, which calls for some remark. By many it will doubtless be taken as an indication of anything but the favourable progress of the settlement; whilst others, possessing more experience in the planting of new settlements, will see in this (to the uninitiated) apparently unfavourable omen the clearest evidence that actual colonisation is really begun; that the building mania-the universal struggle to provide shelter for roofless families, is past, and is succeeded by the more pleasurable occupation of cultivating the soil. A reference to the returns of the immigration agent for this settlement will satisfactorily explain this seeming contradiction. The gross number of male adult steerage passengers landed here by the New Zealand Company's vessels up to April 15 (the date of the latest published return) was 752. Of these 331 were agricultural labourers; the remaining 421 consisted of various trades, 206 of whom were mechanics depending chiefly on house building for employment. During the first twelvemonths of settlement existence, the amount of this last description of labour was by no means felt to be too large; every one was under the necessity of building a house of some sort; and for, nearly that time scarcely anything but building, road-making, and surveying was attempted. These were the golden days for sawyers and carpenters; when the services of many who scarcely knew how to handle their tools were eagerly secured at from ten to fourteen shillings a day. This, however, was a state of things, which could not last forever; and the period of its duration was shortened by various causes; such as the importation of timber from the Northern Island and Van Diemen's Land-etc. etc.

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[7<sup>th</sup> October 1843 page 330]

Not long since we made some remarks upon the re-emigration of a large number of the working classes of this settlement to Sydney and Lauceston. Upon that occasion the schooner Sir John Franklin conveyed away sixty-seven souls; and nearly the same number, we believe, left about a month after, in the Sisters, for Hobart Town. The return of the last-named vessel has put us in possession of some particulars respecting these people, which strikingly illustrate the folly of throwing up certain employment at remunerating wages in New Zealand for idleness and starvation in Australia and Van Diemen's Land. It appears that Triggs, a passenger in the Sir John Franklin etc. etc.

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"Examiner" Nelson Microfilm Reel 14770 368/635 4<sup>th</sup> January 1845 to 25 December 1847

[25<sup>th</sup> January 1845 page 186]

We regret exceedingly to learn that the **party of Germans, who left** this place a short time since in the Sisters, have been subjected to great privations in Hobart Town. A public subscription was set on foot to afford them temporary relief, and \$60 was raised for that purpose. The following paragraph is from the Colonial Times: -

The Newly arrived German Emigrants - We regret to state that the forty or more German emigrants, who arrived from New Zealand in the Sisters, are in a state of great destitution. They have arrived here. We understand, without money, almost without clothes, and are entirely at the mercy of the community for a bare subsistence. The wife of one is now waiting in St Mary's Hospital for her confinement, and is in want of almost every necessary essential to that period of peril and anxiety. We hope, however that the proverbial benevolence of our community will not slumber on this occasion but that something may be done for these poor foreigners.

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"Examiner" Nelson Microfilm Reel 14770 368/635 4<sup>th</sup> January 1845 to 25 December 1847 [30 August 1845 page 102]

The Newspaper reports on conditions onboard the "Palmyra" and the voyage to Australia. The "Palmyra" took quite a large number of the (74) German settlers to Australia.

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Alexander Turnbull Library Wellington "Examiner" Nelson Microfilm Reel 14770 368/635 4<sup>th</sup> January 1845 to 25 December 1847 [6<sup>th</sup> September 1845 page 106]

The newspaper reports on the (74) Germans leaving for Australia and the "Skiold" passenger. It also reports on the KELLING brother from the "Skiold" settling in "Ranzau" Nelson.

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#### Shipping

Sailed September 30<sup>th</sup> brigantine "Sisters" 130 Clarke for Hobart Town, General cargo. Passengers Mr and Mrs Imrie and child, Mrs Clarke, Mr Walkinshaw, Mr Christian, Mr Chapline and twenty-two besides children in the steerage.

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#### Shipping

26<sup>th</sup> June brigantine "sisters" 130 Clark for Wellington and Hobart Town.

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#### Shipping

21<sup>st</sup> November "Sisters" ship left for Australia

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#### Shipping

21<sup>st</sup> August brigantine "Palmyra" 147 Galt for Adelaide colonial produce. Passengers Mr Collier, Mr & Mrs Biggs and two children, and 78 in the steerage.

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Refers to [Germans leaving Nelson for Australia.](#)

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