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Arrival of the Lancashire Witch, from London.

The fine clipper ship Lancashire Witch, in command of Captain George King, anchored off the North Head yesterday afternoon, after an average passage of 109 days, from England. This vessel was despatched by Messrs. Shaw, Savill, and Co, and is another fine specimen of that company's line of passenger ships. She is celebrated for having accomplished the quickest passage on record from London to this port, having run here, on her last visit to these waters, in 105 days, calling at Hobart town and Wellington to discharge a portion of her cargo. Since she was last here she has been greatly altered, and is now a large double-topsail ship of 1600 tons. Captain King states that only a few months since, the enormous sum of £22,090 was spent upon her, for refitting. On this occasion she has brought no less than 500 assisted emigrants, despatched by W. C. Daldy, Esq., Emigration Agent, all of which are in excellent health, in fact, it is not often that we have to report a ship with so many passengers in such a cleanly and creditable condition. Her between decks are roomy and have plenty of that great desideratum – ventilation. Only twelve deaths occurred during the passage, which is comparatively small, considering the large number of souls on board, the greater number of these being infants. The medical officer in charge is Dr. Wills, M.R.C.S., (father of the Australian explorer), and the healthy and tidy state of the ship, upon entering the harbour, is highly commendable to that gentleman and Captain King, who, as we mention, is spoken of by the passengers in the most praiseworthy terms. Captain King appears to have gained the confidence and esteem of nearly every one on board, for kindness bestowed on them, during the many days they have been under his care.

The Lancashire Witch is now owned by the well known firm of Seymour, Peacock and Co., and comes consigned to Mr Walter Graham.

The following is an account of her passage: Sailed from Start Point on the 13th February. Passed outside Cape de Verd Islands and had strong north-east trades, making the run to the Equator in twenty two days. Crossed the line on the 6th March, in 28deg. 30min. west, and made the meridian of Greenwich on the 16th April, having had no south-east trades. The passage from the Equator to the meridian of Greenwich occupied forty two days, owing to light weather, and had it not been for this delay she would probably have made a much quicker passage. Ran down her easting between the parallels of 45 deg. To 46deg. South, experiencing moderate weather and light winds, sight Van Dieman's Land on the 21st May. On Thursday last rounded the North Cape and came down the coast with strong north-east wind, anchoring off the Heads at 4 p.m. yesterday. She will work up harbour with the flood tide this morning.

Lancashire Witch, 1574 tons, King, from London:

Passengers; Richard Gee; Daniel Moverley; Robert Austey; Edward, Sarah, Jacob Taylor; Joshan, George, and Jacob Deel; Aaron Nobes; John Canning; Alfred Dawson; James, William, and Thomas Taylor; William W. Hamley; William Sares; William Davey; Joseph Mappel; Arthur, and Charles Thomas; Thomas Tweedle; George Norris; Richard, Joseph, Edward, and William Hare; George Green; James Clark; Peter Cassidy; William Moore; Frederick Prike; Thomas W. Martin; William Roberts; William Morris; Peter Temperly; John Morris; Alfred Robert, and William George White; John, Henry, Matthew, Moses, and Daniel Routley; Fred Daubury; Henry Bucking; Charles Lenton; Major Dickson; Thomas Whyllie; David Neanan; Henry Seed; James Aspden; David Rotherell; William Peunenulia; William Bray;

James Trenwith; Thomas Gibling; Samuel Dudley; Thomas Dudley; George Lee; Francis E. Gilham; Mary Ann Gee; Emma Morley; Emma Norris; M. Cochrane; Anna and Sarah Taylor; Elizabeth Ballenbury; Louisa Saires; Elizabeth Davis; Elizabeth Baker; Mary Chapel; Elizabeth Thomas; Anne King; Rosa King; Louisa Stephens; Margaret Wall; A. and Jessie Bailey; H. and J. Turnbull; H. Roberts; S. and J. Hill; Eliza White; Elizabeth Routley; Hannah Adey; Bessie Sutton; Elizabeth Wilkinson; Ellen Bray; Eliza, Eliza A., and Eliza Treworth; Mary Ann Taylor; Hannah Treeson; Ann, Eliza, Joseph, Patrick and Mary Carey; Sarah Lee; Mary Cloran; Catherine, Mary, and John Harding; Peter and Elizabeth Kennot; Charles, Sarah, and Edith McGregor; Thomas, Harriet, and Eliza Greer; Samuel and Elizabeth Taylor; John, Maian, William, Elizabeth, and Richard Moverley; Susannah, Francis, and Martin Moverley; John, Mary Ann, and George Colen; James, Marian, Catherine, Godfrew Tonner; Thomas and Ann Man; George, Mary, Alice, and Eva Way; William, Sarah, and Willian King; Nicholas, Margaret, John, Margaret, and William Saril Johnstone; Alice and Alice Harris; John, Elizabeth, Gertrude, and Walter Dole Levy; Eliza, Emma, and Maria Doel; Sarah, George, and Minnie Alderton; Joseph Smith; George Lea; Edward Bowerman; James Morrow; Charles, Arthur, and Fred Alderton; William Fawken; Catherine and Sarah Carley; Sarah Alderton; Mary Ann, Mary Ann, Elizabeth, Mary Ann, Sarah, and George Poulton; James; Harriet, and James Edward Matthews; William and Elizabeth Terry; George Stanton; Ann Weston; Maria, Ann, and John Mell; Robert, Elizabeth, Ann, and Elizabeth Sever; David and Ann Bayley; Samuel, Lucy, and Harriet Temperley; Joseph and Mary Ann Harrison; Joseph, Mary and Mary Roberts; William, Eliza, William, and Mary Rice; James, Richard, Sarah, Albert, and Richard Morris; Edwin, Sophia, Laura, and Ann Hill; Henry, Ann, and Eliza Saunders; George, Louisa, Harriet, and George Venables; George, Eliza, Florence, and Mary White; George and Emma Deckin; William and Angeline Davis; Nathaniel, Louisa, Charlotte and Charles Billinghamurst; Henry, Ellen, and Grace Kayes; Jonathan and Elizabeth Pinhorn; William and Ann Tweedle; Eliza, Edward, Ellen, and James Harper; Daniel, Martha, and Rebecca Hardy; Thomas, Arabela, John, Jane and Joseph Norris; Joseph and Margaret Metcalf; Robert, Townd, Judith, and Westley Hare; Michael, Ann, Patrick and John Montague; George, Letitia and William Chorbs Wiskin; John and Eliza Paine; Edward, Sarah, and Frances Stephens; Richard, Jane, Thomas and William Taylor; John Billell; Aaron, Ann, George, Sarah and Thomas Nobes; John, Fanny, and John Wortle; Matthew, Ann, and Thomas Woulds; James, Ann, Elizabeth and Jane Bacon; Robert, Mony and John Jackson; Patrick, Ann, James, and Winifred Clark; Peter and Sarah Ratcliffe; John and Mary Cumming; John and Ruth Bartlain; Thomas, Charlotte and Henry Taylor; Joseph, Emma and Eliza Reid; Henry and Elizabeth Atkinson; Lydia and Louisa Battensley; James, Margaret, John, and Harriet Farmer; Thomas, Margaret, and Sarah Ushan; Horatio, and Martha Mouldy; Robert, Mary Ann and Josiah Cares; James, Martha, and Louisa Slanton; Henry and Maria Cheeseman; Alfred and Mary Ann Martin; Thomas, Anna, Ann, and Arthur Baker; Benjamin, Rebecca, Jemima, Elizabeth, and Alice Chappell; William, Rachael, and Edith Baldwin; William, Mary, Henry, and Rachael Thomas; John and Charlotte Giles; Robert, Elizabeth, and James Potts; William and Elizabeth Lucas; William, Elizabeth, William, and Richard Addison; Edward and Victoria Simmer; William, Mary, William and James Burrows; Thomas, Mary, Mary and Emmanuel Routley; John, Mary Eliza, Hannah and Kate Devey; John, Ann, Stephen and Martha Weston; James and Sarah Jinking; Joshua and Francis Lenton; William, Ann, Thomas and Mary Salesbury; Henry, Alice and Henry Aspden; Francis, Alice and Thomas Gerarty; Thomas, Alice, Edmond, William, Richard and Alice Warring; Mary Ann,

W. and J. Dudson; William, Letty, Amy, and Alfred Gibbons; John, Harriet, and Henry Buxton; Alexander and Mary Pentiluna; Thomas, Eliza, Charles, and Elizabeth Bray; Samuel, Jane, John, Thomas, and James Halladay; John, James, John, Edward, Martin, and Elizabeth Shenwith; William and Selina Rowe; Thomas and Emma Treenon; George, Ann, Ruth, and Luke Buckston; Alice and Mary Leslie; John, Ann, Joseph, William, and Mary Norton; George and Elizabeth Smith; Henry, Elizabeth, Harry, Robert, Sarah, and Sarah Foydon; Robert and Jane Cox; George, Sarah, and Thomas Pratt; James and Grace Glegg; Thomas C. Simpson; Charles Alderton. Total 500.

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