

Extract from Capt John Jefferys Letter Master of the
Barque 'Latona' at Dunedin

Port Chalmers 20 August 1884

Messrs McEllan, Carr & Co
Liverpool

Gentlemen

I beg to inform you that your vessel the 'Latona'
is now to sail from this port tomorrow the 21st inst after a long
delay here on account of the money not being advanced by the
New Zealand Grain Agency Co as Lloyds Surveyor here would
not grant a certificate of Seaworthiness to carry the cargo to U.K.

The Repairs which we have been compelled to do here, Mr Conway
and also a practical Carpenter have been superintending throughout

The ship is making now about $\frac{3}{4}$ inch of water per hour, and
taking up every day - When first loaded again in full she made
1 inch per hour, and in every way she is now in a good and
seaworthy condition

Your obedient Servant
(Signed) John Jefferys



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