

**Appendix 3: Joseph Conrad's Shipmates in *Otogo* [1st Agreement], 1888**

To be read with Alston Kennerley, "Conrad's Shipmates in British Ships," *The Conradian*, 37.1 (2012): 59-79).

Manuscript entries from Form Eng 1 "Agreement & Account of Crew (Foreign-Going Ship)" Printed form dated July 1869. Plain cover sheet endorsed " "Otogo" 13<sup>th</sup> of May 1887 for 2 Years" [?copy of the black "ship's copy" much termination data missing, to line 28 in same hand] Name of ship *Otogo*; Official Number 60463; Port of Registry Adelaide; Registered tonnage 345; Registered owner J. Simpson & Co Adelaide; Master Jno Snadden; No. of Certificate 24. Freeboard 2 ft 4 inches. "Provisions equivalents at master's discretion." Five of crew engaged as sailors. Voyage from Newcastle New South Wales to any port or ports in the Australian Colonies and/or any port or ports in the China, Java and Eastern Seas and/or Straits and/or any port or ports on the west coast of North and/or South America wherever freight or employment may offer The final port of discharge of the crew to be in the Australasian colonies Term of service not to exceed (2) two years. Any member of the crew not on board at the time appointed the master may ship a substitute at once. [signed] John Snadden, Master, 13 May 1887. Voyage commenced 13 May 1887 at Newcastle NSW. Termination data not entered, but signed by J.C. Korzeniowski Master [Melbourne form shows Voyage ended in Australian Colonies 12 May 1889, but signed by J.Conrad Korzeniowski, 11 June 88 \* see note]

Ship		YoB		Last Ship		Engagement			Cert.	Wages	Allot.	Discharge			Release	Days				
Official Number	Name	Serial No.	Name of Seafarer	Age	Place	Year	Name & Reg. Port	Date	Port	Rating	No.	MM/ly	Advance	M/ly	Date	Port	Cause	Pay Off	(Sign.)	JC
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	01	Snadden, John					14/05/87	NewcastleNSW	Master	Adl 24	as per agreement			21/05/87	NewcastleNSW	Reported by Mate as having died at sea on Thursday 8th December 1887			Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	02	Hughes, John	40	England			13/05/87	NewcastleNSW	1st Mate	31313	£8 00s			21/05/87	NewcastleNSW	£1 15s 10d	John Hughes		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	03	MacKenzie, Thomas	50	Scotland			17/05/87	NewcastleNSW	2nd Mate	88946	£5 00s	£2 10s				Neglected to join			Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	04	Verborn, T.	46	Amsterdam			13/05/87	NewcastleNSW	Cook & Steward		£6 00s			25/07/87	NewcastleNSW	£11 15s	T. Verborn		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	05	Justice, Jas	40	Scotland			17/05/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s			21/07/87	NewcastleNSW	£4 17s	Jas Justice		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	06	Kiean, Thomas	25	Belfast			17/05/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s			21/07/87	NewcastleNSW	£4 17s	Thomas Keenan		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	07	Haith, R. [*]	31	Germany			17/05/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s			[11/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£32 18s0d]	[Richard Faith* see note]		140
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	08	Ohlsson, Peter	29	Sweden			17/05/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	£8 19s 06d	Peter Ohlsson		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	09	Wesslink, John	31	Edinburgh			17/05/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s			22/07/87	NewcastleNSW	£5 18s 08d	John Wesslink		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	10	Watson, Daniel	29	Manchester			17/05/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s			21/07/87	NewcastleNSW	£5 04s	Daniel Watson		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	11	Bradshaw	54	London	1887	<i>Sea Bird</i>	19/05/87	NewcastleNSW	2nd Mate	137	£5 10s	£2 15s		21/05/87	NewcastleNSW	£0 06s 01d	G. Bradshaw		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	12	White, G	52	Scotland			21/05/87	NewcastleNSW	1st Mate	33903	£8 00s			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	£11 14s 10d	G. White		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	13	Johnson, J	38	Halifax			21/05/87	NewcastleNSW	Bosun		£5 10s	£2 10s		25/07/87	NewcastleNSW	£7 17s 04d	J. Johnson		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	14	Chas X Born [*+]	33	Germany			03/08/87	NewcastleNSW	1st Mate	135NSW	£8 00s	£4 00s		[12/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£47 04s 04d]	[Chas. Born *see note]		141
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	15	Jackson, Isaac [*+]	23	England			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	2nd Mate	280 CL?	£5 10s	£1 00s		[11/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£49 16s 08d]	[Isaac Jackson*see note]		140
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	16	Hatson, Daniel [+]	24	Scotland			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s	£1 15s		[08/05/88]	[Sydney + see note ]	[no discharge data found]			106
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	17	Leonard, O. W. Not HvM	30	Norway			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s	£1 15s		01/03/88	Singapore	left sick	£15 05s 0/d	O.W. Leonard [see note]	38
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	18	Scarfe, J.	19	London			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	OS		£1 15s	£0 17s 06d		01/03/88	Singapore	left sick	£7 08 0/d	JhisXmarkScarfe[see note]	38
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	19	Conroy, Pat	19	Liverpool			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	AB		£3 10s	£1 15s		03/03/88	Singapore	left sick	£15 09s 08/4	PathisXmarkConroy[noted]	40
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	20	Krisfrau, Nils T.	19	Norway			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	OS		£2 05s	£1 02s 06d		01/03/88	Singapore	left sick	£10 09s 04d	Nils Krisfrau [see note]	38
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	21	Carlson, John Not HvM	28	Sweden			04/08/87	NewcastleNSW	Cook & Steward		£6 00s			16/01/87	Bangkok	Died	£20 12s 08d		Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	22	Davis, W.	34	Hamburg			27/01/88	Bangkok	AB										Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	23	Green, H.[+]	33	Liverpool			01/03/88	Singapore	AB		£3 10s	Nil		[08/05/88]	[Sydney +]	[no discharge data on AAC]			69
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	24	Smith, Thomas[+]	27	Sweden			01/03/88	Singapore	AB		£3 10s	Nil		17/05/88	Sydney	Discharged	£8 05s 04d		78
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	25	Jenson, Theodor[+]	22	Denmark			01/03/88	Singapore	AB		£3 10s	Nil		[08/05/88]	[Sydney+]	[no discharge data on AAC]			69
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	26	Green, Richard X his[+]	48	St Johns Nfld			01/03/88	Singapore	AB		£3 10s	Nil		[08/05/88]	[Sydney+]	[no discharge data on AAC]			69
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	27	Laden, Edward Xhis mark	42	Finland			03/03/88	Singapore	AB		£3 10s	Nil				Failed to join			Nil
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	28	Humphrey, Thomas[+]	22	Maryport UK			03/03/88	Singapore	AB		£3 10s	Nil	[sig] JCK	[08/05/88]	[Sydney+]	[no discharge data on AAC]			67
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	29	Korzeniowski, J. C.	30	Poland			09/05/88	Sydney	Master		as per agreement ?					[no discharge data or explanation given]			
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	30	Callaghan, J [*]	28	London			18/05/88	Sydney	AB to be disch in Melbourne		£4 00s			[11/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£3 18s 0d]	[J. Callaghan * see note]		25
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	31	Russell, James [*]	24	York or Cork			18/05/88	Sydney	AB to be disch in Melbourne		£4 00s			[11/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£3 18s 0d]	[James Russell*see note]		25
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	32	McBride, William [*]	25	Dublin			18/05/88	Sydney	AB to be disch in Melbourne		£4 00s			[11/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£3 18s 0d]	[William McBride* note]		25
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	33	Carr, Edward [*]	18	Belfast			18/05/88	Sydney	OS to be disch in Melbourne		£3 00s			[11/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£2 15s 0d]	[Edward Carr*see note]		25
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	34	This line not used -struck out														[this line not used]			
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	35	Gustus, Peter[*]LastHvM	35	Norway			18/05/88	Sydney	AB to be disch in Melbourne		£4 00s			[11/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£3 15s 0d]	[Peter Gustes*see note]		25
60463FG	<i>Otogo</i>	36	Richards, N? [*]	32	London			18/05/88	Sydney	AB to be disch in Melbourne		£5 00s			[12/06/88]	[Melbourne *see note]	[£4 18s 0d]	[R. Richards*see note]		26

Source : National Archive of Australia

Note : As this is a copy AAC, the Shipping Master at Newcastle NSW ought to have retained this document in his archive until the voyage ended and the black ship's copy, including all the entries made during the voyage, together with the termination data, had been returned to him by the Master. This probably happened but some voyage data has been added subsequently, presumably from the black ship's copy, which has apparently not survived.

In the event, upon taking command, on the ship's copy, Conrad ought to have signed the AAC at about Line 23 and the British Consul at Bangkok ought to have written a certificate in the certificate section on Pages 8/9 to the effect that Conrad had taken over as master. Line 28 manuscript note reads "This man engaged as substitute for Edward Laden and signed on board, the shipping office being closed and the ship going to sea at once." + On " Inward list of Crew & Passengers" from Bangkok to Sydney, 8 May 1888.

Lines 17, 18, 19: manuscript notes appear to read "bill on the owner (too ill to sign). Line 20 note appears to read "bill on the owner". [\*] No data in AAC. Discharge data from "Port of Melbourne Release at Termination of Voyage" form; clerk initials dated 5 July 1888.

Certificates read: "Engagements at Newcastle [NSW] 5/8/87: I hereby certify that the under named seamen were engaged in my presence and thoroughly understand the nature of this agreement Chas.Born, D. Hatson, J Scarf, F Nils Hanstram, Isaac Jackson, AW Leonard, Pat Consav, John Carlson, [signed] CM Ranulf? Shipping Master." "Discharges 6 Newcastle [NSW] 5.8.87. I hereby certify to the undernamed men being discharged in my presence and receiving balance of wages due to date: T Verborn? £11 15s Ck & Stw; Jas Justice £4 17s AB; T Rauman? £4 17s 0d AB; J.Willink £5 18s 8d AB; Dan Watson £5 4s 0d; G. White £11 14s 10d Mate; J. Johnson £7 17s 0d Bsn, [signed] C.D. Caumce? Shipping Master."

"Vir à l'arrivé à Haiphong le 29 Octobre et au Départ pour Hong Kong le 22 novembre 1887. Le Resident P. G Le Commis de Résidence [signed] W Ottegen?"

"British Consulate General Bangkok Jan 26 '88 I hereby certify that John Carlson died in the Bangkok Hospital on Jan 16 of cholera, that his effects have been burnt at this Cons Genl & that the balance of his wages has been paid to me (# 123.80) [sig] U. W. Stonger ? For H.M. Consul"

"British Consulate General Bangkok 30 Jan 1888. I hereby certify that the within mentioned seaman W. Davis was engaged in my presence & fully understands the nature of the agreement the date of his entry on board dating from 27 January 1888 & has signed in my presence. [signed] W. R. D. Beckett for Consul."

"British Consulate General Bangkok February 1, 1888. I hereby certify that the mate on entering reported the death on Dec 8/87 of the master John Snadden to H. M. Consul & that the entries in the off. Logbook regarding the occurrence were shown to H. M. Consul & signed by him. Agreement deposited Dec 20/87 and returned Feb 1/88. [signed] J. C. E. W. Stringer ? for H. M. Consul."

"I hereby certify that I have sanctioned the discharge of D. W. Leonard J. Scarfe and N. Kristian on the grounds of illness and their balances of wages are stated opposite their names have been paid to me by bill on owner. Further I certify that I have sanctioned the engagement of H. Green, T. Smith, Theodore Jensen & Richard Green upon the terms mentioned in the within written agreement that I have ascertained and am satisfied that they fully understand the said agreement & have signed the same in my presence. Agreeem produced & returned this day to the Master Shipping Office Singapore 1<sup>st</sup> March/88 E.W. Fanhay ? Dy [deputy] Shipping Master."

"Further I certify that I have sanctioned the engagement of Ed. Laren upon the terms mentioned in the within written agreement that I have ascertained and am satisfied that he fully understands the said agreement & has signed the same in my presence. I further certify that I have sanctioned the Discharge of Pat Consav on the ground of his inability to proceed on the voyage (illness) & his balance of wages amounting to £15 9s 7½d have been paid to him by bill on the owner. Shipping Office Singapore 31 March/88 [signed] E.D. Newstead? Dy [deputy] Shipping Master?."