

It would be almost useless to lay before the public of British Columbia the many advantages afforded by having in the Colony a Bank of its own, where the Head Office and subsequent branches would be in the Colony, where the share-list would be composed of its own Colonists, and where the profits arising therefrom instead of being remitted to Foreign Shareholders would be handed over to residents, and be again placed in circulation in the Colony.

The profits arising from the establishments, under somewhat similar circumstances in the Colonies of Canada, Australia and New Zealand, have been large, and the promoters of this purely Colonial undertaking earnestly beg the co-operation and assistance of the inhabitants of the Colony, convinced that by so doing they will at the same time promote the public good and their own interests.

Applications for shares to be made to the Provisional Managing Committee, New Westminster, and will be received up to the 5th of January, 1863, when the lists will be closed.

The following gentlemen have been elected as a Provisional Managing Committee to obtain subscribers, and when a sufficient number shall be obtained, to call a general meeting for the election of Directors and other business.

HENRY HOLBROOK, ESQ.,

JOHN COOPER, ESQ.,

F. G. CLAUDET, ESQ.

FORM OF APPLICATION.

GENTLEMEN,—

I beg you will allot me
 BANK of British Columbia, (limited.)

shares in the COLONIAL

To the Provisional Managing Committee, }
 New Westminster. }