

Woods used in construction of Carriages and Waggon, and Steel Springs, Anchors, Cables, Chains and Copper Bolts for Ship Building, Fresh Fish, Fish Oil, Whalebone, Raw Hemp for Rope making, Tallow, Gas Retorts, Fire Clay, Furs, Hides, Lemon and Lime Juice, Guano, Wool, Oakum, Jute, Waggon Axles, Ship's Blocks and Junk, and Blacksmith's Coal, Lead in pipe, sheets and bars.

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The Revenue of the Colony for the year 1868, was \$584,008.

„ Expenditure „ „ „ \$485,729.

thus showing that the sum of £18,000, or over \$90,000 was saved and unexpended. The customs' duties produced £75,000. While other industries have languished of late, it is satisfactory to find that agriculture has made great strides during the past year; the farmers are happy and contented; more than half a million of dollars, or over £500,000 have been sent out of the colony during the past year, for farm produce, which might have been raised at home. For this state of things population is the only remedy, and the great want under which the Colony suffers, and it is abundantly clear that agriculture requires no protective duties to support it.

## THE RATES OF POSTAGE

(including the Colonial charge of 5 cents) are:—

To Great Britain ..	1s. = 25 cents, for letters not over $\frac{1}{2}$ -oz.
„ United States and } Canada }	15 „ „ „
„ Australia ..	1s. 3d. = 30 „ „ „
„ Germany & Europe	35 to 40 cents „ „

The mails are brought by American steamers from San Francisco, irregularly, about every fortnight; a state of things which it is astonishing to find has lasted so long without being remedied.

## EMIGRANTS.

The amount of good available land is not sufficiently large, nor has the extent of the gold fields been sufficiently proved, to warrant a large influx of population into the Colony *at one time*. But there is abundant room for a small and gradually increasing immigration. The Government inaugurated, last year, a system of assisted immigration for domestic servants, on a small scale, and it is to be hoped that the authorities will see the vital necessity of gradually enlarging the system, so as to include other classes; and also to give free grants of land to settlers, as is the universal plan of other, and even more attractive colonies. Without this combined inducement, it will be in vain for the Colony to bid successfully for immigration; and even when the railway through from Canada is completed (which cannot be accomplished for many years), British Columbia cannot expect a large share of attention until the Red River country is settled up, and an overflow sets in from that extensive and fertile region.

The classes most wanted are capitalists, small farmers, farm labourers, and domestic servants. The former would find many openings for profit-