

## CHAPTER VI.

## ROUTES TO BRITISH COLUMBIA.

THERE are four ways of getting to British Columbia :

By the West India mail steamer to Colon ; thence, across the Isthmus (48 miles) by railway, to Panama ; and thence by the Pacific line of steamers to Victoria, Vancouver Island.

Via New York to Colon, by steamers ; and thence across the Isthmus and to Victoria, as in the former.

Round Cape Horn, in sailing vessels (steamers occasionally), to Victoria.

To Portland or New York, through the United States or Canada, via the Rocky Mountains, to Frazer River.

## THE PANAMA ROUTE

has the advantage over all others in the time the emigrant saves in getting there.

With the view of accommodating the greatly-increased passenger traffic to California and British Columbia, and to ensure a certainty of transit without risk of a long and dangerous detention on the way, Messrs. Wheatley, Starr & Co., 156, Chapside, London, and Messrs. Staveley & Starr, 9, Chapel street, Liverpool, issue "Through Tickets" to San Francisco, by the Royal (West India) Mail Steam Packet Company, the Panama Railroad Company, and the Pacific United States Mail Steam Ship Company, at the following rates of fare :

Southampton to San Francisco—First class, £65, & upwards, according to position of cabin ; second class, £49 ; third class, £35 ; female servants, £10 10s ; male servants, £35.

Children under twelve years half price, under six years quarter price, a single child in arms to each family free.

Large and splendid steamers of great size and power have been placed on the line, by which the length of passage to San Francisco has been reduced to about 35 days. On their arrival at Aspinwall (Colon) passengers with Through Tickets are conveyed across the Isthmus in first class railway carriages in four hours. The steamers leave Southampton on the 2nd and 17th of each month (unless these dates fall on a Sunday, then on the following day), and passengers by them arrive at the Isthmus about nineteen days after leaving England. The steamer leaving Southampton on the 17th of the month offers most advantages to passengers, as she is due at Colon on the 7th of the following month, the date of the departure from Panama being the 9th idem.