

## BOARD AND LODGING.

The ordinary advertised rates in Victoria in good second-class hotels (meat at every meal), are as follows:—

Board and lodging,	\$5 to \$6.50 (20s. to 26s. English) per week.
Do.	do. \$1 (4s. English) per day.
Single meals,	25 cents (1s. English).
Beds,	50 cents and 25 cents (2s. and 1s. English).

At New Westminster, near the mouth of the Fraser, the rates are about the same. At Nanaimo, the "Coal" town on the east side of Vancouver Island, the rate, in the workmen's boarding houses, is \$22.50 per month. Board and lodgings are higher in the mainland interior.

## OCEAN PASSAGE.

In steamships from the United Kingdom and the continent of Europe, a certain number of feet of space is prescribed by law for each passenger, so that even in the most crowded or busiest times there can be no overcrowding, or such crowding as would be injurious to the health of the passengers. Good food is amply supplied, and there is always a medical man on board in case of illness, when medicines and medical comforts are provided. The steamships from the United Kingdom are in all cases inspected by officers of the Imperial Parliament before departure, to ensure the carrying out of the provisions of the Passengers' Act.

The laws passed by the Canadian Parliament contain strict provisions for the protection of immigrants, and severe penalties are imposed for all attempts to deceive or defraud them.

On landing at a Canadian port, all immigrants will be visited by a medical officer of the Government, called the Inspecting Physician, and any who may be ill will receive medical treatment, and all necessary medicines and comforts will be provided.

The days of sailing of the steamships, and the rates of passage—cabin, intermediate and steerage—will be found by the intending emigrant in the handbills or advertisements now so very generally published. It may here be particularly pointed out, that the most favourable rates of assisted passages are offered to female domestic servants and families of agricultural labourers. Assisted passages are, however, afforded to other labourers and certain classes of mechanics and agriculturists. The Canadian Government assisted passage, as regards the former class, is less than half of the ordinary advertised rates of steerage passage. The assisted passages are confined to the steerage, and do not apply to either the intermediate or saloon passage. Applications should be made to any Government Agent to obtain information respecting the rates of assisted passages and the conditions necessary to obtain them.

The saloon passage includes all provisions and stateroom. The intermediate passage includes provisions, beds, bedding, and all necessary utensils. The steerage includes a plentiful supply of cooked provisions, but steerage passengers must provide their own beds and bedding, and eating and drinking tins. The outfit for a steerage passage is as follows:—1 mattress, 1s. 8d.; 1 pillow, 6d.; 1 blanket, 3s. 6d.; 1 water can, 9d.; 1 quart mug, 3d.; 1 tin plate, 3d.; 1 wash basin, 9d.; 1 knife and fork, 6d.; 2 spoons, 2d.; 1 pound marine soap, 6d.; 1 towel, 8d.; total, 9s. 6d. The whole of these articles can be obtained of any outfitter in Liverpool at one minute's notice.

These articles may now, however, be hired at a merely nominal rate from some or all of the steamship companies.

All children above the age of twelve years are considered ocean adults, and charged full price. All children under twelve, and over one year old, are charged half-price; infants in arms being charged 10s. 6d. stg. Children, under the ocean adult age, have special rates made for them in the assisted passages of the Canadian Government.

The steerage passengers being so well provided with food on the steamships of the principal lines, need not think of providing themselves with any kind of provisions. If they should be sick, they will be attended to by the ship's doctor, and supplied with medical comforts.