

of those on board, observations on the vessels, the quality of food and water, and the general condition of the Emigrants.

"These Ship Returns are made up in duplicate, one copy remaining in the Office, and the other being transmitted to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with a special Report in such cases as require observation or need prosecution. At the end of the Quarter, a General Return is made up (in triplicate) of all the Emigrants who have arrived during the Quarter, with the prices of provisions, rates of wages, and answers to the printed queries. The Deputy Treasurers send to the Agent, their Returns from the several Out Ports, and these are embodied in his General Return, which thus embraces the whole Province.

"At the close of the year an Annual Return is compiled from the Quarterly Returns, with Statements of the rates of Wages, prices of Provisions, prices of Agricultural Produce and of Farming implements. These with a Report for the past year, and a Statement of the prospect of employment for the coming season, are made in Quadruplicate, two copies of each Document being transmitted to His Excellency, and one copy to the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, by their special order, all the Official Letters, Returns and Documents of every description, which have accumulated during the year, are then regularly arranged in volumes and bound, to serve for future reference, and as a permanent record of the transactions of the Office.

"The correspondence with the Public Departments in this Province, the Deputy Treasurers, the Emigration Agents at the various Ports in England and Ireland, the Emigration Commissioners, Public Functionaries in the Colonies and the United States, and with many persons who address Letters to this Office for information, occupies much time and requires very considerable labor. In addition to this, there are the tasks of listening to the complaints of Emigrants, investigating their wrongs, redressing their grievances, instituting and carrying on prosecutions, obtaining relief, shelter and assistance for the sick, the destitute and the maimed, all requiring great exertion, indoors and outdoors, and no small stock of patience. The Agent abstains from a description of the places and scenes he has to visit, and of the state of some of the Vessels and Emigrants on their arrival, as being far from agreeable.

"The Contingent Expenses of the Office last year, amounted to £48 2 2, and to £33 17 11 for the previous year, thus leaving him £82 0 1 in advance, for the Public Service.

"The Agent suggests the inadequacy of the Salary to the duties performed, and invites attention to the hardship of an Officer at the head of a Department, being obliged to maintain a Public Office, and pay all its Contingent expenses, out of the smallest Salary in the Province."

PENSIONS.

Anthony Lockwood, Esquire, late Surveyor General of Woods, £150 0 0 } Granted under authority of the Secretary of State, from 1st January, 1844.

Legislative Grants in the nature of Pensions.

	Currency.	Sterling.
51 Old Soldiers of the Revolutionary War in America, under Act 2 V. C. 27.	£525 0 0	
125 Widows of Old Soldiers who served in the Revolutionary War, under the same Act,	1,280 0 0	
Widows of Public Servants by annual appropriation,	25 0 0	
	<u>£1,830 0 0</u>	<u>£1,647 0 0</u>

AGRICULTURE.

Return of the Produce, Stock, &c.

[The information required to be inserted in this Return is:—1st. The nature of the Crop and the number of Acres of Land in each Crop; 2d. Stock, specifying number of Horses, Horned Cattle, Sheep, and Goats; 3d. The nature and quantity of the Produce; 4th. The price of the Produce under its various heads.]

The information inserted is as follows:—

Name of County.	Number of Stock, Census 1840.				Name of County.	Number of Stock, Census 1840.			
	Horses.	Horned Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.		Horses.	Horned Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
					<i>Brought forward,...</i>	10,088	47,764	78,286	35,068
York,	2,037	7,445	15,077	6,415	Westmorland, ...	3,421	20,754	27,553	16,545
Carleton,	2,570	9,028	16,187	8,964	Northumberland, ...	1,542	6,003	8,837	6,125
Saint John,	893	3,383	2,907	3,111	Kent,	881	3,579	6,684	4,923
King's,	2,396	15,672	24,072	9,408	Restigouche,	426	1,118	1,698	1,325
Queen's,	1,342	8,335	13,362	4,859	Gloucester,	811	3,219	6,236	3,643
Sunbury,	830	3,901	6,681	2,311	Charlotte,	1,133	7,823	11,759	4,286
<i>Carried forward,...</i>	10,088	47,764	78,286	35,068	<i>TOTALS,...</i>	18,282	90,260	141,053	71,915

PRICE OF PRODUCE.—STERLING AVERAGES.

Wheat, 6s. 9d. per Bushel; Rye, 4s. per Bushel; Oats, 2s. per Bushel; Buckwheat, 2s. 8d. per Bushel; Maize, 4s. per Bushel; Potatoes, 1s. 4d. per Bushel; Turnips, 1s. 6d. per Bushel; Peas, 7s. 2d. per Bushel; Hay, 54s. per Ton; Barley, 3s. 9d. per Bushel.