

(Sugar, coffee, cocoa, cotton, tobacco, molasses, rum.)

The island is very mountainous and picturesque of volcanic formation.

The Government consists of Lieutenant Governor, Executive Council of 7 and Legislative of 14, one half elective. Qualification for member, 50 acres of land or rent of £20 per annum. For electors, 10 acres, or £4 rent in the country. In towns £18 per annum.

The Island sends 3 members to the General Council, 1 nominated by Lt.-Gov. 2 elected by Legislative Council.

**MONTSERRAT.**

16° 45' N. latitude, 61° W. long.

Area, 47 square miles.

About one-third of the island is well cultivated, the rest mountainous and barren.

Population, 1861, 7645.

Revenue, 1869, £5,433 stg.

Expenditure, 1869, 5,046.

Public debt, 1,000 stg.

Imports, 25,524 stg.

Exports, 37,228.

(Sugar, rum, molasses, cotton, tamarinds, arrow-root.)

The island is the most healthy of all the Antilles. The scenery is exceedingly beautiful.

The Government is composed of a President (subordinate to the Governor-in-chief at Antigua) with Executive and Legislative Councils appointed by the Crown. The island belongs to the Confederation of the Leeward Islands.

**NEVIS.**

A single mountain, 17° 10' N. latitude, and 62° 40' W. long.

Area, 50 square miles, of which one-half is fit for cultivation.

Population in 1861, 9,822.

Revenue, 1869, £5,631 stg.

Expenditure, 1869, 9,006.

Imports, 1869, 61,013.

Exports, 1869, 57,668.

(Sugar, molasses, rum and cotton.)

The climate is not unhealthy for one so hot. Average height of the thermometer 82°. In 1866 there were 13 schools with over 2000 pupils.

The Government is administered by the Lieutenant Governor of St. Kitts, an Executive Council and a Legislative Assembly of 10 members, 5 elected by the parishes. The island sends 3 members to the Federal Council.

**ST. CHRISTOPHER.**

(Popularly called St. Kitts.)

17° 18' N. latitude, 62° 48' W. long.

Area, 68 square miles.

Population, 1861, 24,440.

Revenue, 1869, £29,812 stg.

Expenditure, 1869, 27,534 stg.

Imports, 1869, 183,076

Exports, 1869, 206,549.

(Sugar, rum and molasses.)

Climate for a tropical one decidedly healthy. Average range of thermometer at 9 a.m. 81°

A range of lofty rugged mountains traverses the island from S. E. to N. W.

Government, Lieutenant Governor, Executive Council of 3, and Legislative Assembly of 20, 10 elective. Three members sent to Confederation Council.

**ANGUILLA.**

60 miles N. E. of St. Kitts.

Population 2,500, of whom 100 are whites.

Revenue £555 stg.

Expenditure, 553 stg.

(Chiefly from duty on salt.)

The island is extremely healthy. The productions, cattle, ponies, garden stock, sugar, phosphate of lime, salt and cotton. It is united to St. Kitts and sends one member to the Assembly.

**VIRGIN ISLANDS.**

Partly British, partly Danish.

Tortola is the most important of the former 18° 27' N. latitude and 64° 39' W. long.

Area, 57 square miles.

Population in 1861, 6,051.

Revenue, 1869, £1,655 stg.

Expenditure, 1869, 1,969.

Imports, 1869, 6,120 stg.

Exports, 1869, 8,139 stg.

(Sugar, copper and cotton.)

Gold, silver and other minerals are found.

There is good pasturage for cows, sheep and a magnificent harbour, entirely sheltered.

The Government consists of President, Executive, and Legislative Council, nominated by the President.

The islands belong to the Leeward Confederation.

**BAHAMAS.**

About 20 islands, lying between 21° 42' and 27° 34' N. lat., and 72° 40' and 79° 5' W. long.

Also about 3,000 islets and rocks.

Area, 3,021 square miles.

Population, 1861, 35,287.

The principal islands are New Providence, St. Salvador, Great Bahama, Long and Berry.

Revenue, 1869, £35,576 stg.

Expenditure, 1869, 39,304 stg.

Public Debt, 1869, 54,161 stg.

Imports, 240,584 stg.

Exports, 163,002 stg.

(Salt, sponges, pine apples and oranges.)

Government—Governor, Executive Council of 9 members, Legislative Council of 9, and an Assembly of 28 members.

Qualifications of members, property of the value of £500; ditto of electors, payment of duties to the amount of £26 and residence of 6 months, or freeholder for 12 months.

**WINDWARD ISLANDS.**

**BARBADOES.**

N. Lat. 13° 4', W. long. 59° 37'.

Settled in 1625, annexed to the British Crown 1662.

Area, 166 square miles.

Population in 1861, 152,727, of which were whites 16,594.

Revenue, 1869, £102,606 stg.

Expenditure, 1869, 97,298 stg.

There is no Public Debt.

Imports, 1869, 1,026,220 (rice, salt meat, corn and grain, butter, flour and wheat).

Exports, 1869, 935,424 (sugar, molasses and rum).

The island is almost encircled by coral reefs. It has the appearance of a well kept garden, and the roads are excellent. There is a College and Grammar School.

Police Force, 215 men.

Number of registered electors, 1868, 1,447.

The Government consists of a Governor, Executive Council of 9 members, Legislative