

The resort to steamers has also much diminished the mortality on the voyage. Among 230,531 emigrants on 545 voyages to North America, of which we have received returns, the deaths were only 102, which, taking the voyage at 12 days, is equal to a mortality of only 13.38 per 1,000 per annum. Considering the effect which the change of life and sea-sickness are calculated to have on the feeble members of the emigration, such a rate of mortality must be admitted to be very low.

The figures given by the Emigration Commissioners of the emigration to British

North America do not altogether agree with those contained in the report of the Minister of Agriculture of the Dominion. The comparison of figures is as follows for the year 1872:—

The Commissioner's figures... 32,205
The Minister's do ... 36,578

In addition to these, according to the Minister, there passed through Canada, to proceed to the United States 52,608 emigrants.

From the manner in which these statistics are procured on both sides of the ocean, the figures can be only approximate.

Legislation of 1873.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED.

H. M.—Her Majesty.
G. G.—Governor General.
G. in C.—Governor in Council.
L. G. in C.—Lieut. Governor in Council.
P. C.—Privy Council.
M. C.—Minister of Customs.
C. C.—Commissioner of do.
M. I. R.—Minister of Inland Revenue.
C. I. R.—Commissioner of do.
P. M. G.—Post Master General.
P. M.—Post Master.
P. O.—Post Office.
P. O. D.—Post Office Department.
R. G.—Receiver General.
C. R. F.—Consolidated Revenue Fund.
M. P. W.—Minister of Public Works.
P. W. D.—Public Works Department.
M. F.—Minister of Finance.
S. of S.—Secretary of State.
M. of A.—Minister of Agriculture.
M. M. F.—Minister of Marine and Fisheries.
H. of C.—House of Commons.
C. C. C.—Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

The Co.—The Company.
J. P.—Justice or Justices of the Peace.
C. C. L.—Commissioner Crown Lands.
A. C. C. L.—Assistant do do
E. C.—Executive Council.
L. C.—Legislative Council.
L. A.—Legislative Assembly.
A. Comr.—Assistant Commissioner.
O. in C.—Order in Council.
C. of A.—Commissioner of Agriculture.
M. P. I.—Minister of Public Instruction.
C. C.—Civil Code.
C. C. P.—Civil Code of Procedure.
C. S. C.—Consolidated Statutes of Canada.
C. S. L. C.—Consolidated Statutes of Lower Canada.
C. S. U. C.—Consolidated Statutes of Upper Canada.
V.—Victoria.
c.—Chapter.
s.—Section.
subs.—Subsection.

PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

(Opened 5th March, adjourned 23rd May, to
Acts Sanctioned 3rd May.

and prorogued on 13th August, 1873.)

WITNESSES BEFORE COMMITTEES.

Cap. 1—Provides for the examination on oath of witnesses before Committees of the Senate and House of Commons. Act disallowed by Her Majesty—Disallowance proclaimed 1st July, 1873.

MEMBERS OF HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Cap. 2—Renders members of the Legislative Councils and Assemblies of the several Provinces, ineligible to the Commons. If appointed or elected to either Provincial House, the seat of an M. P., becomes vacant unless he refuse to accept or resign within ten days of his receiving notice within the Province. Penalty of sitting and voting in the Commons while so ineligible \$2000.

PROCEDURE IN CRIMINAL CASES.

Cap. 3—Requires the Judge trying a criminal sentenced to death to send in a report on the case to the S. of S., and date of execution shall be fixed so as to allow time for signification of the G. G.'s pleasure.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR.

Cap. 4—Provides for the establishment of a Department of Interior—having a Minister and Deputy. The management of the Dominion and Indian Lands is confided to it and of such Ordnance Lands as are not specially placed under the P. W. D. or of Mil. and Def. or of Mar. and F. The correspondence branch of Secretary of State for the Pro. is transferred to S. of S. of Canada, and the former office abolished. The Stationery Office is also under S. of S. Act came into force 1st July, 1873.

N. W. TERRITORIES.

Cap. 5—The G. G. may, from time to time, appoint a Council of 7 to 21 members to assist the L. G. in Govt. of the N. W. Territories.

LANDS IN MANITOBA.

Cap. 6—Comms. may issue to Chief Justice or Judges of Q. B. in Manitoba or others to decide who are entitled to patents for lands. Sittings to be held at same time as County Court, but may continue 5 days after.