

certificate of a magistrate or minister of religion. This arrangement is only available for the classes above mentioned. The rates of these assisted passages varied from £2 10s. to £3, but the number who availed themselves of the arrangement was small.

Immigra-
tion
through
charitable
societies.

449. The number of those, chiefly children, brought into Canada last year by charitable societies and individuals was 1,988 being 242 more than in the previous year. The following are the numbers brought out in this way during the last six years :—

	Number.
1881.....	727
1882.....	1,048
1883.....	1,218
1884.....	2,011
1885.....	1,746
1886.....	1,988

Customs
arrivals,
1886.

450. All the immigrants by sea arrived in steamers, sailing vessels not having been for some years used for this purpose. The arrivals with settlers' goods, reported by Custom houses numbered 22,577, being a decrease of 9,724 as compared with 1885. The following table shows the number reported in each Province, together with their nationalities :—

CUSTOMS ARRIVALS IN CANADA BY PROVINCES AND NATIONALITIES.

PROVINCES.	Eng- lish.	Irish.	Sc'tch	Ger- man.	Uni- ted States	Cana- dian.	Others	Total.
Quebec	457	227	120	57	596	9,874	1,105	12,436
New Brunswick.....	68	20	29	5	125	490	45	782
Nova Scotia	195	23	71	7	64	519	37	916
Ontario	1,106	373	361	391	1,876	4,810	286	9,204
Manitoba.....	105	17	49	31	70	181	75	528
Prince Edward Island	32	14	12	2	50	1	111
British Columbia	388	51	114	80	352	229	86	1,300
Total	2,351	725	756	571	3,085	16,153	1,635	25,277