

PROGRESS OF SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL CITIES AND TOWNS IN CANADA, BETWEEN THE YEARS 1881 AND 1888.

CITIES AND TOWNS.	Population.		Assessment.		Municipal Debt, 1888.
	1881.	1888.	1881.	1888.	
			\$	\$	\$
Montreal	*140,747	200,000	180,273,910	109,000,000	10,500,000
Toronto	77,034	166,809	56,286,039	99,276,057	9,894,623
Hamilton	35,359	43,082	15,650,000	21,048,990	2,478,332
London	19,725	26,960	10,194,919	13,340,935	2,176,936
Ottawa	25,600	40,000	10,198,530	14,337,845	2,461,461
Halifax	*36,100	40,000	14,468,520	21,562,403	†.....
Winnipeg	6,249	22,098	9,196,435	19,523,890	341,746
St. Thomas	9,275	10,476	2,543,925	3,854,871	236,056
Charlottetown	*11,485	†.....	2,520,280	3,687,395	262,000
Sherbrooke	7,446	9,177	2,025,655	2,897,650	160,000
Guelph	10,025	10,173	2,899,060	3,177,950	444,321
Brantford	10,555	13,054	3,630,490	5,053,260	263,855
St. Catharines	9,498	10,080	4,060,510	4,696,385	153,555
Peterborough	6,750	8,989	2,568,395	3,789,975	185,550
Windsor	6,377	8,602	1,946,400	2,687,450	255,000
Cornwall	*4,468	6,402	743,475	1,349,115	82,531
Collingwood	4,134	5,114	995,408	1,338,381	81,000
Cobourg	5,084	4,692	1,512,605	1,562,697	241,176
Lindsay	*5,080	5,781	1,397,731	1,726,910	168,741
Galt	*5,187	7,162	1,166,356	1,791,365	104,450
Barrie	4,611	5,387	1,320,528	1,315,659	76,900
Brockville	7,374	8,593	2,085,060	3,407,431	78,921
Woodstock	*5,373	8,314	1,598,190	2,287,353	140,142
Port Hope	5,324	5,161	1,437,351	1,504,279	191,287
St. John, N.B.	*26,127	†.....	15,624,000	19,026,500	2,795,139

* Census. † No returns. ‡ Real estate only. || For year 1887.

71. The greatest care is taken by the Department of Agriculture in collecting immigration returns and making them as accurate as possible, and under ordinary circumstances these returns would be most important factors in determining the increase in population; but standing alone, as they do, and without the assistance of any system of ascertaining the emigration, or of any system of collection of births and deaths, they are not reliable for that purpose, but at the same time contain much valuable information in themselves.

72. According to the returns furnished by the Department for 1888, the total number of immigrant arrivals was 174,474, of whom 85,708 were passengers for the United States, 1888.