

90. The Indians on 30th June, 1888, were, according to the estimate of the Indian Department, distributed over the Dominion in the following numbers :—

Ontario	17,700
Quebec	12,465
Nova Scotia	2,145
New Brunswick	1,594
Prince Edward Island	319
Manitoba and North-West Territories	26,368
Peace River District	2,038
Athabaska	8,000
McKenzie	7,000
Eastern Ruperts' Land	4,016
Labrador, Canadian Interior	1,000
Arctic Coast	4,000
British Columbia	37,944

Total	124,589

Number of
Indians in
Canada,
1888.

91. The amount at the credit of the Indian Fund, which consists of moneys accrued from annuities secured to the Indians under treaty and from sales of land, timber, stone, &c., surrendered by them, was, on 30th June, 1888, \$3,324,235, the expenditure from which, charged principally to interest, amounted to \$284,207. The expenditure from Parliamentary appropriations was \$956,116—making a total of \$1,240,323.

The In-
dian Fund.

92. The quantity of land sold for the benefit of the Indians during the year was 21,344 acres, realising \$30,345. The quantity of Indian land now held by the Government for sale is about 458,283 acres.

Land sold
for In-
dians.

93. The following table will give some idea of the increase in population and value of property in some of the principal cities and towns in Canada. Forty-one places were applied to for particulars, but answers were only received from those given below, and thanks are due to the several clerks for furnishing the same. There has been an increase in the aggregate population of the places named, since 1881, of 50 per cent., and in the aggregate assessment, after deducting those places for

Progress
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