Number of children brought out.

101. The number of those, chiefly children, brought into Canada last year by charitable societies and individuals was 1,022, being 600 less in the previous year. The following are the numbers brought out in this way during the last six years:—

1883	
1884	2,011
1885	
1886	1,988
1887	2,298
1888	1,622
1889	1.022

According to the immigration returns of Ontario, 17,011 children have been settled in this way in that Province since 1868.

Arrivals by sea.

102. All the immigrants by sea arrived in steamers, sailing vessels not having been for some years used for this purpose.

Immigration into Ontario. 103. According to the returns of the Department of Immigration in Ontario, out of 4,268,024 emigrants from the British Isles to places out of Europe during the years 1874 to 1888, inclusive, 282,584, or 6.63 per cent., settled in Ontario, and the total number from all parts reported to have settled in the Province during the years 1868 to 1889, inclusive, was 560,552, bringing with them effects to the value, as far as the returns went, of \$5,566,455.

Difficulty of obtaining correct returns.

104. The numbers of immigrants reported by the agents and by the Custom houses may be taken to be correct as far as they go, but there are not any means of ascertaining with accuracy the arrivals and departures from and to the United States. Where there is such a long line of open frontier there must always be a considerable movement of population on both sides, of which it is impossible to obtain any record. The nearest possible approximation would be to obtain a record of the *ins* and the *outs* on the principal routes of travel, the differences between which would be the net immigration or emigration, as the case may be.