the information requested. The increase in the aggregate population has been about 40 per cent. and in the assessment about 74 per cent. The average rate of increase in population in all the cities and towns of the Dominion, according to the census of 1881, was 33.0 per cent. Without reckoning Winnipeg and Vancouver, where exceptional circumstances have prevailed, and where the increase has consequently exceeded all normal rates, the greatest progress has been made by Toronto, where the population has more than doubled and the assessment value has increased over 140 per cent. It must not, of course, be overlooked, that this large increase is partly due to a considerable expansion of limits since 1881. At the same time, the progress of the city and of the suburbs it has taken in have been remarkably great.

PROGRESS OF SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL CITIES AND TOWNS IN CANADA BETWEEN THE YEARS 1881 AND 1890.

CITIES AND TOWNS.	Population.		Assessment.		Municipal Debt,
	1881.	1890.	1881.	1890.	1890.
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Montreal	*140,747	212,000	‡80,273,910	115,663,137	14,283,921
Toronto	77,034	167,439	56,286,039	136,526,017	11,513,590
Quebec	* 62,446		5	•	¶"
Hamilton	35,359	44,653	15,650,000	21,958,830	3,315,877
Ottawa	25,600	43,728	10,198,530	17,109,960	3,157,496
Halifax	* 36,100	42,000	14,468,520	21,694,761	2,100,000
London	19,725 * 5 025	30,725	10,194,919	14,803,754	2,569,521
Victoria, B.C.	0,040	23,000	2,749,075	9,358,194	526,000
Kingston Vancouver	* 14,091	18,284 $17,500$	5,465,807	7,707,939	759,983
Charlottetown	* 11,485	17,500	2,520,280	11,979,525	646,000
Guelph	10,025	10,548	2,899,060	3,345,025	453,219
St. Thomas	9,275	10,329	2,543,925	3,718,916	236,161
St. Catharines	9,498	9,700	4,060,510	4,689,865	904,909
Windsor	6,377	10,528	1,946,400	4,872,543	623,357
Sherbrooke	7,446	9,925	2,025,659	3,058,675	178,240
Stratford	* 8,239	•	•	•	•
Peterborough	6,750	9,337	2,568,395	4,065,315	205,550
Brockville	7,374	8.782	2,085,060	3,575,174	209,000
Woodstock	* 5,373	9,222	1,598,190	2,565,720	169,815
Chatham	* 7,873	8,757	¶ 1	3,504,257	261,898

^{*} Census. * Estimated. ‡ Real estate only. ¶ No returns. ** Not in existence.