

107. The cost of settlers per head, not including arrivals reported through the Customs, was \$3.06, and, including arrivals so reported, was \$1.69; the figures for the preceding year, 1889, being \$2.37 and \$1.37 respectively. The following table shows the cost per head of settlers since 1875:—

Cost of settlers per head.

YEAR.	NOT INCLUDING CUSTOMS.		INCLUDING CUSTOMS.	
	Settlers.	Amount.	Settlers.	Amount.
		\$ cts.		\$ cts.
1875.....	19,243	14 00	27,382	10 83
1876.....	14,499	19 60	25,633	11 12
1877.....	15,323	12 00	27,082	6 78
1878.....	18,372	9 63	29,807	6 23
1879.....	30,717	5 74	40,492	4 35
1880.....	27,544	6 59	38,505	4 71
1881.....	32,587	6 32	49,991	4 30
1882.....	81,904	4 23	112,458	3 08
1883.....	98,637	4 26	133,624	3 15
1884.....	68,633	6 28	103,824	4 15
1885.....	46,868	6 62	79,169	3 92
1886.....	43,875	6 87	69,152	4 36
1887.....	54,704	5 74	84,526	3 71
1888.....	57,106	3 96	88,766	2 55
1889.....	52,983	2 37	91,600	1 37
1890.....	41,549	3 06	75,067	1 69

It will be seen that the average cost per head is considerably less than it was some years ago.

108. The various immigration agents again report that the demand for farm servants and female help continues to increase, and the present supply is very inadequate to meet it. The agent at Montreal reports of agricultural labourers that the applications made for good agricultural hands were far in excess of the supply, that the arrivals of female farm servants were wholly inadequate to satisfy the demand, and that the dearth of female domestics continues, there being a large and ever-increasing demand which cannot be supplied. Government agents all over the Dominion report, more or less, to the same effect. Farm labourers, female domestic and farm

Demand for farm and domestic servants.