dent that there is less crowding now than there was in 1881, or that the system of counting the population in 1881 gave a larger population than was housed. Probably the latter fact is acountable for the greater increase in the number of houses relatively to population. If so, the population as given in 1881 was about 4 per cent too large.

262. The uninhabited houses in 1891 numbered 54,182, as against 46,583 in 1881. The percentage of uninhabited to total number of houses constructed and under construction in April, 1891, was 5.8, which corresponds exactly with the figures of 1881.

263. The houses in course of erection in April, 1891, numbered 10,878 and in 1881 9,882, an increase of 996. As the average net increase in the ten years was 760, it appears that the year 1891 was very considerably above previous years in the building operations going on.

264. The persons whose occupations were given to the enumerators in the census of 1891 numbered 1,659,355, against 1,390,-604 in 1881.

265. Divided into classes, the occupations of the 1,659,355 persons are :—

Class	s 1—E	ngaged	in Agriculture, mining and fishing	790,210
""	2-	"	Trade and transportation	186,695
	3	" "	Manufacturing and mechanical pursuits	320,001
"	4	"	Domestic and personal services	246,183
""	5—	" "	Professional avocations	63,280
"	6—	"	Non-productive class	52,986
		Total	-	1,659,355

266. The proportions which the classes bear to the total number are: Class 1, 47.6 per cent; class 2, 11.2 per cent; class 3, 19.3 per cent; class 4, 14.9 per cent; class 5, 3.8 per cent; class 6, 3.2 per cent.

267. An analysis of class I shows it to be subdivided into :

(a)	Agricultural	735,207
(b)	Fishing	27,079
(c)	Lumbering	12,756
(d)	Mining	15,168
	Total	790,210

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