

1499. The following are the statistics of divorce, as given in the public records :—

DIVORCES IN CANADA.

YEAR.	GRANTED BY PARLIAMENT.					GRANTED BY COURTS.			
	On-tario.	Que-bec.	British Columbia.	North-west Territories.	Mani-toba.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunsw-ick.	British Col-umbia.	Prince Edward Island.
1868.....						3			
1869.....	1	1				1	2		
1870.....						2	1		
1871.....						2	2		
1872.....						1	3		
1873.....	1					3			
1874.....									
1875.....	1					4			
1876.....						1	2		
1877.....	3					5		1	
1878.....	2	1				1	3	1	
1879.....	1					1	2		
1880.....						3	2		
1881.....						2	2	3	
1882.....						4	1	1	
1883.....						3	7	3	
1884.....	1					4	3	2	
1885.....	4	1				4	3		
1886.....	1					4	5	1	
1887.....	2	3				1	3	1	
1888.....	2	1				3	1	2	
1889.....	3	1				3	6	2	
1890.....	2					4	3	3	
1891.....	4					3		3	
1892.....	1	1		1	2	3	5	*2	
1893.....	3	4				5	2	*1	
Totals..	32	13		1	2	70	58	26	

* In British Columbia, in addition to the divorces, two judicial separations have been granted, one in 1892 and one in 1893.

This table shows that 202 divorces have been granted, of which 48 were by the Dominion Parliament and 154 by the several provincial courts. Prince Edward Island courts have not granted a single divorce in the 26 years. The general figures give an average of eight divorces a year for the whole of Canada.

The provinces which have Courts of Divorce have absolutely and relatively to population very many more divorces than the provinces which depend upon Parliament for divorces. With respect to the province of Quebec, the comparatively small number of divorces must be attributed to the influence of the Roman