

## 290.—LEATHER, BOOTS AND SHOES, &amp;c.

INDUSTRY.	No. of Establishments.	Capital.	No. of Employees.	Wages.	Value of Output.
		\$		\$	\$
Belt and hose.....	6	251,000	143	62,640	511,000
Boots and shoes.....	5,398	9,648,639	18,041	4,916,464	18,990,381
Harness and saddlery.....	1,553	2,546,583	3,069	1,001,629	3,988,001
Last and peg.....	11	67,000	94	28,630	72,500
Leather lace.....	2	20,400	44	9,000	35,000
Morocco leather.....	1	35,000	45	15,000	150,000
Tanneries.....	802	6,322,963	4,263	1,522,007	11,422,860
Census of 1891—Total.....	7,773	18,891,585	25,699	7,555,370	35,169,742
Census of 1881—Total.....	6,813	14,321,034	27,513	6,722,730	36,505,272

There is in the above class an increase in the total number of establishments, in the capital invested, and in the wages paid, but a decrease in the number of employees and in the total output. The quantity of these manufactures has doubtless greatly increased, but the value has diminished. Boots and shoes are much below the price in 1881, and No. 1 hides, which averaged at wholesale in Montreal, in 1881, \$9.70, averaged in 1891 only \$5.59 per 100 pounds. The chief decrease has been in tanneries, of which there were 1,012 establishments in 1881, and 802 in 1891, while their output had fallen from \$15,144,535 in 1881, to \$11,422,860 in 1891.

## 291.—LIGHTING.

INDUSTRY.	No. of Establishments.	Capital.	No. of Employees.	Wages.	Value of Output.
		\$		\$	\$
Electric appliances.....	8	173,448	186	71,500	329,700
Electric light works.....	80	4,113,771	763	297,684	1,154,149
Electric supplies.....	15	1,389,365	241	96,500	535,152
Fish oil refineries.....	35	64,113	189	21,311	71,305
Gas works.....	49	13,119,119	1,164	496,661	2,796,697
Lamps and chandeliers.....	3	74,300	55	19,075	45,150
Lanterns.....	1	12,000	15	7,000	20,000
Match factories.....	12	336,650	1,039	143,064	434,953
Oil refineries.....	21	1,873,918	276	140,370	2,064,115
Patent fuel.....	1	2,630	6	1,800	14,500
Street lamps.....	1	176,000	8	1,000	20,000
Census of 1891—Total.....	226	21,335,314	3,942	1,295,965	7,485,721
Census of 1881—Total.....	108	7,882,037	2,169	611,769	5,843,616

In this group considerable changes have taken place during the ten years. Electricity has been given a commanding position, and though gas works