

These constitute two groups : 1st, those whose parents were foreign-born, and. 2nd, all the others. The first group have 90 insane in every 10,000 of the foreign-born population. The second group have 18 insane in every 10,000 of the native born.

Divided by provinces the insane are distributed as follows :—

	Census of 1891 Per 10,000 of the people.
British Columbia .....	93·2 insane.
Manitoba .....	12
New Brunswick .....	27
Nova Scotia .....	30
Ontario .....	28
Prince Edward Island .....	30
Quebec .....	30
Territories .....	5

With the exception of Nova Scotia and Quebec, the principle adopted throughout the Dominion in the treatment of insane is that known as State-cure, and even in the case of the two provinces named the institutions are subject to the supervision of Government inspectors. Nova Scotia has the county farm system in part. Quebec has the farming out system, the institutions being managed by Religious Communities and in one instance by an Incorporated Company.

There are 17 asylums for the insane in Canada, most of which are supported entirely by Government, aided in some cases by municipalities, and the following table gives particulars of the number of patients, &c. :—

#### ASYLUMS FOR THE INSANE IN CANADA.

##### INMATES AND DEATHS.

PROVINCES.	Number of Asylums	Year Ended.	NUMBER TREATED DURING THE YEAR.			Number of Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to Total Number of Inmates.
			Males.	Females	Total.		
Ontario, 1896 .....	7	Sept. 30..	2,752	2,712	5,464	268	4·90
Quebec, 1895 .....	4	Dec. 31..	1,519	1,542	3,061	188	6·14
Nova Scotia, 1896 .....	1	Sept. 30..	234	234	468	24	5·12
New Brunswick, 1894 .....	1	Oct. 31..	325	271	596	40	6·71
Manitoba, 1896 .....	2	Dec. 31..	263	141	404	17	4·21
British Columbia, 1893 .....	1	“ 31..	143	41	184	14	7·61
P. E. Island, 1896 .....	1	“ 31..	113	96	209	12	5·74
Total .....	17	.....	5,349	5,037	10,386	563	5·42

In Ontario, on 30th September, 1896, there were 4,723 persons in the provincial asylums, and 18 in the Homewood Retreat, Guelph ; 25 insane convicts in Kingston Penitentiary, and 53 insane persons in the common jails, making a total of 4,819 persons of unsound mind under public accommodation, while there were 174 applications for admission on hand,