

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANIES IN CANADA.

In the 315 establishments of 1903, there were 1,786 employees and an invested capital of over \$20,000,000 against 762 hands and \$3,200,000 invested capital in 1891.

The following table shows the electric light companies registered under the Electric Light Inspection Act, by provinces, during the years ended June 30, 1902 and 1903 :—

PROVINCES.	1902.			1903.		
	Companies.	NUMBER OF LAMPS.		Companies.	NUMBER OF LAMPS.	
		Arc.	Incan- descent.		Arc.	Incan- descent.
Ontario.....	198	7,230	457,295	202	8,424	568,493
Quebec.....	52	3,605	340,120	53	3,853	409,503
Nova Scotia.....	24	409	46,475	24	450	60,837
Prince Edward Island.....	3	87	11,330	3	99	7,880
New Brunswick.....	11	699	21,685	12	718	24,403
Manitoba.....	6	43	26,635	7	373	31,905
British Columbia.....	16	770	85,435	18	834	103,163
N. W. Territories.....	5	31	6,081	5	29	6,677
Total.....	315	12,874	995,056	324	14,780	1,212,681

NOTE.—One arc light is estimated to be equal to ten incandescents.

MILITIA.

By the Union Act, 1867, the command in chief of all naval and military forces of and in Canada is vested in the King, and the control of the same is placed in the Parliament of Canada.

At Confederation the Parliament of Canada established a Department of Militia and Defence, the first Minister being Sir George E. Cartier. The first Militia Act was passed in 1868, 31 Vic., Chap. 40, in accordance with the provisions of the fifteenth section of the Union Act, 1867.

The following is a statement of the regimental establishments of the permanent and active militia for the year 1904 :—

PERMANENT CORPS.

Regiments of	Officers.	Warrant Officers.	Staff Ser- geants and Sergeants.	Rank and File.	Total.	Horses.
Royal Canadian Dragoons.....	10	1	18	80	109	80
Royal Canadian Mounted Rifles..	7	1	11	42	61	41
Royal Canadian Artillery—						
R. C. F. A.....	14	2	36	210	262	105
Garrison.....	13	2	27	183	225	7
Canadian Engineer Corps.....	7	.....	13	112	132	
Army Service Corps.....	1	1	.....	4	6	
Royal Canadian Regiment of In- fantry.....	26	5	60	323	414	7
Ordnance Store Corps.....	20	14	38	34	106	
Intelligence Department.....	8	.....	3	.....	11	
Riding Establishment.....	.....	.....	2	8	10	16
Total....	106	26	208	996	1,336	256