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"Hudson Bay . . . becomes a central point from which Canada stretches its huge extent in every direction. To the south and south-east lies the great woodland region comprising the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario. In this region for a couple of centuries the forests have been attacked by armies of lumber-men hewing down the trees for export and for home uses or clearing the ground for agricultural pursuits". (1895)

In 1895, it was estimated that Canada covered 1/15th of the world's area, and that its population was 1/300th of that of the world. (1895)

"There is probably more misconception about the climate of Canada generally than about that of any other known country, the idea still prevailing among large numbers in Europe and elsewhere that the land is one of perpetual winter and usually covered with snow. In reality the climate of Canada is dry, healthy and invigorating . . ." (1891)



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The highest point in Canada is Mount Logan (5 951 m) in the Southwest Yukon mountain range.

In the Northwest Territories, winter nights and summer days are long, reaching a maximum of 24 hours.

The Great Lakes are among the largest freshwater bodies in the world. Their area is almost 250 000 km², of which 36% is in Canada and 64% in the United States.