



Vancouver today has a population of almost 1,000,000.



The site of Vancouver in 1867 was only a landing place for fur traders and adventurers. By 1888 it had a population of 10,000 and had already been incorporated as a city.



Fort Edmonton on the North Saskatchewan River, about 1870.



Montreal, founded in 1642, became a city in 1832—to its population of about 100,000 in 1867 it has added more than 2,300,000.



Edmonton became a city in 1904 when it had about 5,000 residents—today its population is close to 400,000.



St. James Street, Montreal, on a winter afternoon in 1875.