

32). Since the organization of this class of immigration in 1868, 73,520 children have been received and placed in foster homes and situations in the Dominion, 26,300 coming from the Dr. Barnado Homes. At least 45,000, or two-thirds of the total number, were boys; a fair allowance for deaths and other changes during the past 40 or 50 years would be about one-third, reducing the number to 30,000. The total enlistment of boys of this class has been more than 9,875, or nearly 25 p.c. of all the boys who came to Canada under these auspices. The enlistments of former members of the Dr. Barnado Homes alone number over 6,100. Deducting those prevented from joining the colours by reason of marriage, having dependents, age, or otherwise incapacitated, it will be found that practically every qualified young man of this class of immigrant has voluntarily enlisted.¹ The young soldiers are reported as having borne their part nobly in the great struggle. One of them has gained the Victoria Cross, and others have received honours of different kinds, including the Distinguished Service Order, the Military Cross and the Distinguished Conduct Medal.

Chinese Immigration.—The conditions under which Chinese immigrants have been allowed to enter Canada have been described in previous issues of the Year Book (see edition for 1915, page 110). The number of Chinese who entered Canada during the three fiscal years ended March 31, 1918, has been much reduced owing to the operation of the Order in Council (renewed every six months since December 8, 1913,) under which the landing in British Columbia of skilled and unskilled artisans and labourers is prohibited. In 1917-18 the number of Chinese immigrants who paid head tax was 650 as compared with 272 in 1916-17, 20 in 1915-16 and 1,155 in 1914-15. A record of Chinese immigration from 1886 to 1918 is given as Table 35.

28.—Number of Immigrant Arrivals in Canada, 1897-1918.

Fiscal Years.	IMMIGRANT ARRIVALS FROM			Total.	Fiscal Years.	IMMIGRANT ARRIVALS FROM			Total.
	United Kingdom.	United States.	Other Countries.			United Kingdom.	United States.	Other Countries.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.	No.
1897 ²	11,383	2,412	7,921	21,716	1908.....	120,182	58,312	83,975	262,469
1898 ²	11,173	9,119	11,608	31,900	1909.....	52,901	59,832	34,175	146,908
1899 ²	10,660	11,945	21,938	44,543	1910.....	59,790	103,798	45,206	208,794
1900 ³	5,141	8,543	10,211	23,895	1911.....	123,013	121,451	66,620	311,084
1901.....	11,810	17,987	19,352	49,149	1912.....	138,121	133,710	82,406	354,237
1902.....	17,259	26,388	23,732	67,379	1913.....	150,542	139,009	112,881	402,432
1903.....	41,792	49,473	37,099	128,364	1914.....	142,622	107,530	134,726	384,878
1904.....	50,374	45,171	34,786	130,331	1915.....	43,276	59,779	41,734	144,789
1905.....	65,359	43,543	37,364	146,266	1916.....	8,664	36,937	2,936	48,537
1906.....	86,796	57,796	44,472	189,064	1917.....	8,282	61,389	5,703	75,374
1907.....	55,791	34,659	34,217	124,667	1918.....	3,178	71,314	4,582	79,074

¹ See Annual Report for 1916-17 of the Chief Inspector of British Immigrant Children and Receiving Homes, Department of Immigration and Colonization, Ottawa.

² Calendar year. ³ Six months, January to June, inclusive. ⁴ Nine months ended March 31.