

The County of Stanstead contains—11,846 Inhabitants, raising 43,750 bushels Wheat, 141,279 other grains, 388,488 bushels Potatoes, 14,557 Cattle, 2,926 Horses, 25,385 Sheep and Hogs.

A recapitulation of the foregoing Statistics gives the following amounts :—

96,976 Inhabitants, raising annually 263,778 bushels of Wheat, 1,534,407 bushels of other Grains, 1,731,161 bushels of Potatoes, and having 83,371 head of Neat Cattle, 24,649 Horses, and 126,392 Sheep and Hogs.

With reference to the above amounts, it is but right to remark that they are known to be very much, probably one-fourth (population excepted) less than the actual result, as the inhabitants, from a dread of the Census being made the basis of taxation, very generally conceal the real amount of their products and stock.

The City of Montreal, the proposed terminus of the Railway, contains a population of 44,000 inhabitants. It may therefore be stated with confidence, that at least 140,000 inhabitants of Canada will be directly benefitted by this undertaking, without any allusion to its favourable bearing on the interests of the Province at large.

In forming estimates of the probable traffic on the proposed Railway, the Committee have experienced very considerable difficulty, from the extent of country, the length of the line, and from the variety of routes by which Passengers and Goods find their way to and from Montreal, and the St. Lawrence Valley generally.

From an examination of the Hotel Books, it appears that about 2,000 Americans visit Montreal annually, either for business or pleasure, being 4,000 passengers.

From Quebec and Montreal, including the Military, about 500 persons proceed to Great Britain annually, being 1000 passengers to and from.