

which render Quebec almost classic ; but it is as proud of its beautiful bay and aquatic sports as Quebec is of its ancient walls and Citadel.

At present Toronto contains about 12,500 public and private buildings, and has a population of nearly 80,000 people. The assessed value of property is not far from \$28,000,000. The yearly civic income and expenditure amount to about \$5,000,000.

The streets of the city are spacious, and are well laid out and regularly built. The two main arteries of the city are King and Yonge streets, which, crossing each other at right angles, divide the city into two large sections. Yonge street runs north and south, King street east and west. The Street Railway passes along the entire length of King street up Yonge street to Yorkville, and up Queen street as far as the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, thus forming a convenient means of transport for parties living at the northern, western and eastern extremities of the city.

YONGE STREET.

Starting from the foot of Yonge street northwards from the Bay the most striking objects we meet are Great Western R.R. Station, Custom House and Examining Warehouse, Bank of Montreal, Royal Insurance Company, then Wellington street, and on either side the City Hall, Bank of Toronto, Merchants' Bank, Bank of British North America, Edinburgh Life Assurance Company's Building and numerous wholesale houses. The lower portion of Yonge street from King to the Bay is composed mostly of wholesale houses, while above King it is almost an unbroken line of retail shops of every description, and it is perhaps the most busy street in the city, the buildings many of them being of fine structure. This street is the great