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THE Commercial Capital of the Dominion, is situated on the south side of the Island of Montreal, on the River St. Lawrence. It was founded in 1642, and has now a population, exclusive of the suburbs, of 216,000. It is the head of the ocean navigation, although 720 miles from the Atlantic, and is the headquarters of the great Canadian Railways. It has factories and works of almost every kind, and three-quarters of the total imports of Canada come to Montreal.

It is called the "City of Churches" from the number of sacred buildings. Those most worthy of the notice of visitors are Notre Dame, on the Place d'Armes; the English Cathedral and St. James Methodist Church, on St. Catherine Street; the Jesuits' Church, on Bleury Street; and St. Peter's Cathedral, on Dominion Square.

Besides the numerous churches, there are many other fine public buildings, among which are the New Board of Trade Building, on St. Sacrament Street; the Y. M. C. A. Building, on Dominion Square; McGill College, with its fine buildings; the City Hall; the Art Gallery; the Depots of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways; the Bank of Montreal.

Although the population of Montreal is largely French, yet the Sons of England have a good hold; no less than nine lodges being in existence, lists of whose officers will be found on other pages of this little book.