## APPENDIX A.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CANADA REGISTEAR'S BRANCH, OTTAWA, January, 1897.

## The Honourable R. W. Scorr, Q.C., L.L.D., Secretary of State of Canada, &c., &c.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith for your information, the following statement of work performed under my supervision in this branch of your department during the past year, viz.:—from 1st January to 31st December, 1896.

CONDENSED STATEMENT showing the work performed in the Registrar's Branch of the Department of the Secretary of State from 1st January to 31st December, 1896.

Documents.	Engrossed.	Recorded.	Total.
Board of Trade Certificates	90 125	6 210 2 90 127	$6 \\ 215 \\ 2 \\ 180 \\ 252 \\ 1$
Exemplifications Instructions to LieutGovernors Leases (Ferries, Lands, &c) Letters Patent (granting an Annuity) do (summoning to Senate)	$3 \\ 2 \\ 11 \\ 3 \\ 18 \\ 1$	$ \begin{array}{r}   1 \\   3 \\   2 \\   11 \\   3 \\   18 \\   1 \\   1   1   1   1   3   1   1   1   1   1   $	6 4 22 6 36 2
Orders in Council. Proclamations Releases, Deeds of Surrender, &c Warrants. Writs of Assistance. do Election.	$\dots \frac{7}{27}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 13 \\ 249 \\ 31 \\ \cdots \\ 231 \end{array}$	1 20 249 58 4 462
LAND PATENTS.			
†Ordnance Land Sales	33 14	33 14	66 28
Total	574	1,046	1,620

\*An annual statutory return of bonds is submitted to Parliament under chap. 19, section 23, of "The Revised Statutes of Canada," giving full particulars of the bonds registered in the branch since last return.

<sup>†</sup>A quarterly return of these lands was sent to the registrar of each city and county in the province of Ontario, and to the secretary-treasurer of each city and county in the province of Quebec, in which patents were issued, and a copy of the several returns in Ontario, was also sent to the Provincial Secretary of Ontario.

In addition to the foregoing statement of work done, there have been copied during the year, 866 pages of records, manuscripts, &c.

I also submit the annexed synopsis, with accompanying index, of letters patent, issued during the year, to all companies incorporated under chapter 119 of "The Revised Statutes of Canada," embodying the name of the company, the date of incorporation, the amount of capital stock, with the number of shares and amount of each