

Boers of South Africa, volunteers from Canada and other parts of the Empire won the highest praise for the coolness and courage which they showed on many a hard-fought battlefield. On the 20th of June, 1897, the "Diamond Jubilee," the people of Canada had hailed with rejoicing the completion of Queen Victoria's sixty years of rule over her vast empire; and on the 22nd of January, 1901, they mourned, with a sorrow just as sincere, the death of that great and good Queen. The accession of her eldest son, Albert Edward, to the throne, with the title of Edward VII., called forth rejoicings, no less sincere though more subdued on account of the loss of the Nation's Queen. The visit, a few months later, of the Duke of Cornwall and York, the King's eldest son, and the heir to the British throne, has given Canadians, as well as the other inhabitants of Britain's great colonies throughout the world, another opportunity to testify their loyalty and attachment to the Motherland.

Thus has the bond of union become closer, and a national spirit and a firmer devotion to the Empire grown rapidly in the past few years, giving a fresh life to its statesmen and people, and calling upon all to sink whatever is petty, mean and base, and to rise to a purer and nobler national life.

## POPULATION OF CANADA BY PROVINCES.

|                           | 1891.     | 1901.     |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Ontario.....              | 2,114,321 | 2,167,978 |
| Quebec.....               | 1,488,535 | 1,620,974 |
| New Scotia.....           | 450,396   | 459,116   |
| New Brunswick.....        | 321,263   | 331,093   |
| Manitoba.....             | 152,506   | 246,464   |
| British Columbia.....     | 98,173    | 190,000   |
| Prince Edward Island..... | 109,078   | 103,258   |
| The Territories.....      | 98,967    | 230,000   |