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at 221,232, an increase of 35,639 in the ten years. Between 1881 and 1891 the population practically remained stationary, the increase being but 30 during the ten years, in 1801 the population was 331,120, an increase of 9,857. This year according to the returns, New Brunswick has a political friend he should first become acquainted with the

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ance compared with other towns would entitle St. John to a population of 44,000 and this is about the estimate of the city engineer in his last annual report based on the

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All of those who were interviewed seem to have overlooked the fact that St. John city suffers a very considerable loss of population to the adjoining suburbs. Prior to 1889, when St. John and Portland were united into one city, the gain of Portland's population was much greater than that of the old city. And the only direction in which St. John can make any great stride in population is in Stanley ward. There is still some vacant land in the other twelve wards in the city, particularly the two on the West side of the harbor, but in the majority of the others it is idle to hope for any great increase, for while vacant lost remain, the trade of the city will gradually depopulate such wards as Sydney, Dukes, Queens and Kings. In thirty years the complexion of Kings ward has almost completely changed and the changes are still going on

This year according to the returns, New Brunswick has a population of 351,815, an increase of 20,685 over the figures of 1991.

New Brunswick occupies a better position in the census of 1911 than any of the Maritime Provinces and has retained over one-half of its natural growth. Nova Scotia has lost more than two-thirds of the natural increase, while Prince Edward Island has surrendered, not only all the natural increase but 10,000 of its people besides.

Great disappointment is expressed in many quarters regarding the census figures for the city of St. John. During the last two or three years some foolish people have been making unfounded and ridiculous statements regarding the growth of population in this city, estimating the increase in population and promises, stereopticon views and broken pledges to increase the population of a city. If the new Government fails as thoroughly as Mr. Pugsley did to carry out what he said he was going to do, it will be worthy of the strongest censure by the clitzens. As a result of Mr. Pugsley's expenditure of public money in St. John, we have one additional wharf and a hole dredged for another; in tiem in the estimates of \$500,000 for works that will cost \$7,000,000 at least, which works Mr. Pugsley said he had the money to go on with immediately, a statement which unfortunately for St. John was not based on fact.

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