\$73; of the United States \$64; but about \$22 a head would pay our debt. Our annual taxation for all purposes of Dominion and Provincial revenue amounts to about \$3.75 a head; in England \$14; in France \$10; and in the United States \$9.50. But in the latter country there is a State tax to be added, so that the people of the State of New York pay each \$11.10 annually. We commend this latter fact to the attention of those philosophers who are endeavoring to persuade us that we would be much better off in the Union than as we are. When they can convince us that \$11.10 is a much less sum than \$3.75 we will probably be in a mood to listen further to their arguments.—Hamilton Spectator.

LOVELL'S DOMINION DIRECTORY.

We have received a copy of this great work. It is a monument of mechanical perseverance, diligence and enterprize on the part of Mr. Lovell—that prince of Canadian printers and publishers.

As an analysis of this mammoth directory, we may state that it extends to 2,565 large octavo pages—equal to four large volumes of nearly 650 pages each. It is moreover a thoroughly reliable work, and its information is indispensable to public men and men of business. It is indeed more than a Dominion Directory, as its name indicates, for it includes information not only of the four Provinces of the Dominion, but also of Newfoundland and Prince Edward's Island, besides a variety of information, imperial and national in its character. As to its contents we may summarize them as follows: It contains historical sketches of the various Provinces named, lists of the railway and steamboat routes, as well as of the post offices, banks, governmental departments, houses of parliament, law courts, clergy in British America, education departments, custom houses, ports of entry, tariffs of customs, patents of invention, canals, railways, newspapers, benevolent and religious societies, statements of imports and exports, revenue, expenditure, trade, &c., &c.

As an indication of the magnitude and importance of the work, it may be remarked that it contains the names of the chief inhabitants of 4914 places in the six Provinces, divided as follows:

Province of	f Ontario,	1822
"	Quebec,	884
66	Nova Scotia,	853
"	New Brunswick,	646
66	Newfoundland,	
"	Prince Edward Island,	144
		4914

Or 1414 more places than were promised when the directory was first contemplated.

It is not, however, only as a directory that the work will be found especially valuable; in it is given descriptions of every city, town and village in the above Provinces, their situation, most remarkable features, principal productions or manufactures, how and by what means they can be reached, population, &c. It thus embraces much information of interest and value to the immigrant and the traveller, and may appropriately be styled a geographical dictionary as well as directory of the Dominion of Canada and the Provinces of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island.

The aim of the publisher clearly has been to render the work an indispensable companion to the public, professional and business men, throughout these Provinces, as well as to persons in the United States and Europe having transactions with this country, and with this end in view he has spared neither pains nor expense in making it in every part complete and reliable.

We sincerely hope that the spirited publisher, in undertaking this great national work, will not be permitted by the public to lose money by his enterprize as he did in his former excellent Directory.

VII. Departmental Aotices.

NEW SCHOOL REGISTERS.

In reply to numerous applications for Public School Registers, &c., we desire to say that a new edition (including the modifications in the courses of study required by the new School Act) will be shortly prepared and published. They will be sent to the County Clerks, for distribution through the Local Superintendents or Inspectors, but none will be sent out direct to individual schools from the Education Department.

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL ACTS.

In an early number we hope to publish the entire text of the School Acts of 1850, 1860 and 1870-1. They will be incorporated in one Act, so that Local Superintendents, Trustees, Teachers and other interested parties will be able to see at a glance what modifications in our present School Laws have been made by the new Act.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS AND REQUISITES.

Application having been frequently made to the Department for the supply from its Depository of Sunday School Library and Prize Books, Maps and other requisites, it is deemed advisable to insert the following information on the subject.

- 1. The Department has no authority to grant the one hunred per cent. upon any remittance for Library or Prize Books, Maps or Requisites, except on such as are received from Municipal or Public School Corporations in Upper Canada. Books, Maps and other Requisites suitable for Sunday Schools, or for Library or other similar Associations, can however, on receipt of the necessary amount, be supplied from the Depository at the net prices, that is about twenty-five or thirty per cent. less than the usual current retail prices.
- 2. The admirable books published in England by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and by the London Religious Tract Society, are furnished from the Societies' catalogues at currency for sterling prices (i. e. a shilling sterling book is furnished for twenty cents Canadian currency, and so on in proportion.) These two catalogues will, as far as possible, be furnished to parties applying for them. Books suitable for Sunday Schools are received from the other large religious societies, Presbyterian and Methodists, and from the various extensive publishers in Britain and the United States, but the list would be too extensive to publish separately.
- 3. On receiving the necessary instructions, a suitable selection can be made at the Department, subject to the approval of the parties sending the order. Any books, maps, &c., not desired which may be sent from the Depository, will be exchanged for others, if returned promptly and in good order.

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