

Lawrence, but it may be safely estimated at four times the amount of those to the United States, or £327,364.

Sixteen daily, semi-weekly, weekly and monthly newspapers and periodicals, are now published in Toronto, devoted specially to the promotion of Religion, Education, Medical Science, Literature and Politics.

From Talbot's description of the city I will select a few items which will assist you in forming some idea of the improvement that has taken place.

"It contains," he says, "1336 inhabitants, and about 250 houses, many of which exhibit a very neat appearance. The public buildings are a Protestant Episcopal Church, a Roman Catholic Chapel, a Presbyterian and a Methodist Meeting house, the Hospital, the Parliament House, and the residence of the Lieutenant Governor."

"The Episcopal Church is a plain timber building of tolerable size, with a small steeple of the same material. It has an extensive burial-ground, which is tastefully fenced and planted."

"The Roman Catholic Chapel, which is not yet completed, is a brick edifice, and intended to be very magnificent."

"The York Hospital is the most extensive public building in the Province, and its external appearance is very respectable."

Speaking of the streets, which he describes as "regularly laid out, intersecting each other at right angles;" he states that "only one of them is yet completely built; and, in wet weather, the unfinished streets are if possible, muddier and dirtier than those of Kingston."

How changed the picture now. Into any extended description of the difference I cannot enter, which, to do it justice, would require a lecture for itself. With the Hospital, which still stands, compare the splendid Provincial Lunatic Asylum. Look at the elegant Cathedral, close by, which occupies the site of the "plain timber Episcopal Church, with its small steeple of the same material." Pass up the street and cast your eyes on the Roman Catholic Cathedral—to which no one would hold the epithet "magnificent" to be misapplied, with its chaste Bishop's Palace by its side. Walk a few steps further, and look at the noble buildings in course of erection for the Provincial Normal and Model Schools—which are not less creditable to the country, as indicating something of the feeling with which education is regarded, and to the architects and contractors of whose skill they afford such a favourable specimen—than ornamental to the city. From the Normal School return to Saint Lawrence Hall, and tell me how many handsomer structures you have seen in your travels. Step on through King Street, with its splendid stores, and Yonge and Wellington Streets,