

it was as it had been since the charter of Charles II.—the happy hunting-ground of the Hudson Bay Company. As late as 1870 it had no railway communication, no towns or villages, few post-offices, and no telegraph. There must be a million of people settled there by this time, and yet it is a wilderness almost untrod by man. The origins of the populations are returned as follows: 891,248 English and Welsh; 957,408 Irish; 699,863 Scotch; 1,298,929 French; 254,319 Germans. The balance is made up of Dutch, Scandinavians, and Italians. A large number of persons who were born in the United States are to be found in Canada—and why not? They have in Canada a government quite as free as in the United States, though the Canadians prefer to have a holiday on the Queen's birthday rather than the 4th of July, and an English Viceroy—who at any rate is a gentleman—to an American President. Anywhere in Canada the Englishman