

Decimal System of Coinage first adopted, 1858.

Decimal System of Currency first adopted for public accounts, 1858.

Department of Interior first organized, with ministerial head, 1st July, 1873.

Department of Railways and Canals first organized, with ministerial head, May 20th, 1879.

Deepwater Terminus of Intercolonial Railway at Halifax completed February, 1880.

Directory—The first Directory of Montreal was issued 1819.

Distillery—The first was Mauger's in Halifax, 1750.

Dockyard—The first established was in Halifax, 1758. The date on the gate is 1770, which refers to the wall.

Dominion Live Stock Association, first annual meeting held in Toronto, February 12, 1886.

Dominion—Canada first called a Dominion in 1774, in address of the American Colonies in assembly at Philadelphia.

Dominion Day—1st July, 1867, Canada became, under authority of the Queen, a Dominion; hence, 1st July of each year is called Dominion Day.

Dominion Notes Act extended through the whole Dominion, 1876.

Dual Representation abolished, 1873.

Earthquake—First recorded as happening in Canada, 1638.

Education—Ladies' Society for promoting Education and Industry in Canada, founded 21st October, 1826, at Montreal, Countess Dalhousie patroness.

Election—First for Elective Legislative Council of Province of Canada, 1856.

Electric Light first used in Montreal, in 1877, by the Harbour Commissioners.

Electric Motor—The first practical Electric Motor was first publicly used in Toronto, 1885.

English Law introduced into Upper Canada, 1788.