

- 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.